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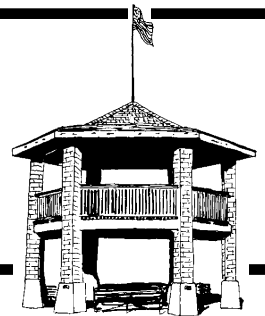
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Milo Newsletter



FEBRUARY, 2024

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FREE Welcome to Medicare Seminar

The Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) provides assistance with understanding and navigating Medicare. SHIIP services are free, unbiased and confidential.

Warren County SHIIP volunteers are providing a **FREE Welcome to Medicare Seminar Tuesday, February 13th from 5:30-7:00 PM** at the Indianola Activity Center (2204 West 2nd Ave).

The seminar covers all parts of Medicare (A through D). **To attend, RSVP by February 5 by calling (515) 962-5375.**

Milo Fire & Rescue Soup Supper

The Milo Fire & Rescue will be **having a soup supper on Saturday, February 17th from 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM.** We will be serving several different kinds of soups. We will for sure have chili and cheeseburger soup. We will have at least 2 other choices but not sure what they will be quite yet. We will also be serving grilled cheese sandwiches and various desserts. Hopefully the weather will cooperate for this event. Please watch Facebook for any updates. Hope to see many of you there. We can't wait to visit with you and feed you.



MINUTES of the CITY OF MILO COUNCIL MEETING

CITY HALL, 100 MAIN ST, MILO, IOWA –
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2023

Milo City Council was called to order by Mayor Hall at 7:00 p.m. City Council answering the Clerk's roll call: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Kinser and Rasmussen were absent. Mayor Hall administered the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mason and second by Wadle to approve agenda. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason.

Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved.

Motion by Mason and second by Wadle to approve the consent agenda to include all Council meeting minutes of November 13, 2023; and accounts payable from November 14 – December 4, 2023 in the amount of \$736,608.62. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved.

Crystal McIntyre, Warren County Supervisor, updated everyone in attendance of the happenings around Warren County including structural and safety changes to the Administration Building and having a deputy at the information desk; ongoing future planning for a County Wide EMS service with McIntyre meeting with the fire chiefs and ask for 2 representative to determine what is needed to be successful in rural Warren County and what the county wide EMS levy funding will be and how it will be utilized to help the rural EMS succeed; the Warren County Opioid Task Force and creating positions to help citizens; McIntyre then said that the County is considering buying, selling and trading County properties to better utilize facilities; McIntyre stated that the Board of Supervisors is changing to a 5-person board and each supervisor will need to be elected from their respective districts into their positions at the November 2024 election; no budget discussion for fy2025 have happened yet. Hembry asked about the new County Roads Shop and when it will be completed, McIntyre stated that there are ongoing issues that need to be resolved with the contractor.

Next, Mayor Hall administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected, Jeff Griggs and incumbent, Tangela Mason. Both elected will serve their respective Milo City Council terms from January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2027. The Clerk then administered the Oath of Office to incumbent Mayor Diane Hall who will also serve her next term of office from January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2027. Mayor Hall then thanked Councilperson Randy Uttley for

his years of service to the Milo City Council and to various boards and clubs within Milo.

Under old business, Council reviewed all items resulting in the following actions: Motion by Mason and second by Wadle to accept the Progress Meeting Notes of November 27, 2023. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Next, motion Wadle and second by Mason to approve Construction Monitoring Report No. 8. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Next, motion by Wadle second by Mason to approve Payment 8 to Blue Ribbon Builders in the amount of \$532,289.12. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. After discussion of the federal grant and the Iowa DOT bid letting for the Milo Multi-Use Path Project, motion by Mason and second by Wadle to approve Resolution 2023-33 approving the lowest bid contract with Elder Corporation in the amount of \$375,000 for construction of the Milo Multi-Use Path Project. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. The Clerk then reviewed trail funding commitments noting that the former Warren County Engineer, David Carroll, was instrumental in engineering the construction plans, easements and co-writing the \$230,000 grant which was a significant savings to the project. Clerk provided the letter of commitment from the Milo Lion's Club and noted that the grant documents listed that \$100,000 was promised by the Milo Lion's Club should the grant be successfully awarded. Clerk noted that the Milo Lion's Club has paid \$12,497 to date towards this obligation. The City of Milo has earmarked Local Option Sales Tax funds of \$25,000 for the construction of the trail and the remaining amount will be from local businesses, private donors and other areas to be determined. The Clerk also stated that McClure Engineering was awarded the wage compliance and construction engineering for the trail, they will also be tracking expenditures and submitting for reimbursement from the TAP grant. McClure Engineering's fee will not exceed \$42,000. The north concrete path connector was approved earlier at a cost of \$16,090. The City of Milo intends to pay funding \$83,090 (\$25,000 + \$42,000+\$16,090) from the Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) fund which is not property tax dollars. Mayor Hall noted that trail is a Lion's Club project that the City of Milo began assisting in 2018 by becoming the fiscal sponsor for the TAP grant application and award. When asked, Uttley shared that the Lion's Club trail

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project started sometime in 2010 or 2011. After reviewing the north LED sign bids the item was tabled to the next meeting. Next, after review, motion by Wadle and second by Mason to approve the Warren County Sheriff's Contract for 5 years at \$25,192 annually. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Council then reviewed the Chapter 65 of the Milo Code and upon a motion by Wadle and second by Uttley, directed the Clerk to begin the process of changing the ordinance by creating a 3-way stop at 5th & Walnut Streets and replacing the yield sign with a stop sign at Spruce & 5th Streets. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Clerk shared that the city health insurance will be increasing 4% effective January 1, 2024 the monthly cost to Milo will be \$1,907.92 which specifically levied for employee benefits.

Council departmental reports: Kinser-public safety: absent - no report/questions. Rasmussen- utilities: absent - no report/questions. Wadle-streets: no report/questions. Uttley-parks: no report/questions. Mason-general – no report/questions. Doug Hembry, Operations Director presented bids for the storm siren electrical update, sand/salt bunker construction, 10 acre field drainage tile installation, and concerns about the City Park east playground area. Discussion followed resulting in these Council actions. Motion by Mason and second by Wadle to approve the bid of \$6,956 from Harvey Electric, Pleasantville, Iowa to install the electrical service for the storm siren which will also include future use of the Milo Public Library's addition. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Then, motion by Wadle second by Mason to approve the bid of \$19,700 from Cody Miller of 515 Builders LLC to construct the salt/sand bunker shelter. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Next, motion by Wadle second by Mason to approve the bid of not to exceed \$4,086 from Smith Fertilizer & Grain for the 10 acre tile drainage project. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. After further discussion concerning the condition of the east playground equipment, Hembry stated that he

will reinforce the rotting posts and Council asked that Hembry get bids for new playground equipment. Item to be placed on the future agenda.

Council reviewed all items under new business. Mayor Hall completed the second reading of Ordinance 2023-05 adding a new section regarding offsetting to the Iowa Department of Revenue debt owed to the City of Milo, Iowa. Motion by Mason and second by Wadle to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2023-05. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Then, motion by Wadle second by Mason to waive the third reading and direct the Clerk to publish the ordinance. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Then, motion by Mason second by Wadle to approve Resolution 2023-34 closing all City of Milo accounts with Greater Iowa Credit Union, Indianola, Iowa and moving the \$5.00 to People's Bank, Milo, Iowa. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Next, motion by Mason second by Wadle to approve the new home construction permit for 313 Peanut Street, Milo, Iowa. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. Then, motion by Mason second by Wadle to approve the tax abatement application for 313 Peanut Street, Milo, Iowa. Ayes: Wadle, Uttley and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Kinser and Rasmussen. Motion approved. The Clerk then shared budget timeline information stating that property valuations will not be available until January 15, 2023 per the State of Iowa. Also, the Warren County Auditor will be responsible for sending out the City Council's determined levy amount for a new public hearing that will be held prior to the main budget hearing. The State of Iowa passed legislation taking away several levies available to cities, Clerk reported that Milo does not utilize these levies and this State of Iowa legislative change will not impact Milo as significantly as it will other communities. Next, the Clerk shared that there are several upcoming approved projects including the Milo Trail; field drainage tile installation awarded to Smith Fertilizer & Grain for \$4,086 paid from LOST or general funds; storm siren electrical install awarded to Harvey Electric for \$6,956 paid from LOST or general funds; construction of the sand/salt bunker shelter awarded to 515 Builders LLC for \$19,700 paid from Road Use Tax Funds and emergency funds; the north trail connector to the Milo Trail along the fence of the

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Southeast Warren softball field parking area awarded to Pride Concrete for \$16,090 which will be paid from LOST funds; and the future stormwater update project which will be paid from ARPA funds.

There were no public comments. Mayor Hall again thanked Randy Uttley for his years of service to Milo City Council and wished in well in the future. Clerk reported that Southeast Warren Schools are not closing the daycare and were only doing a walkthrough to plan for possible future use of empty space for classrooms. Discussion turned to the baseball field update and how it was funded. Clerk contacted Delane Galvin, SEW Superintendent, who said that it was paid for with SAVE funds which are similar to the 1-cent sales tax LOST that the city utilizes for special projects. Mayor noted that the next Council meeting will be held Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Health and safety reviewed the handout "Holidays Create Extra Stress for Workers." Motion by Wadle and second by Mason to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. Ayes: All present. Motion approved.

— By Order of the Milo City Council

Southeast Warren Food Pantry

The next Food Pantry dates are:
Wednesday, February 28
Wednesday, March 27

The pantry is open from 4:30-6:30 PM, but is accessible for a food emergency. Please contact Dianne Chambers, dianne.chambers@se-warren.k12.ia.us or Patty Harrington at 641-466-3510 or patty.harrington@se-warren.k12.ia.us with questions or message our Facebook page.

Please enter via the far west front door of the high school in Liberty Center. Please check in with our volunteer outside. Due to space limitations, we are only allowing about seven people in at a time. There is normally no waiting after 5:30 PM. A small amount of paperwork is required for first time visits and once a year. Regular visits just require that you live in the boundaries of the Southeast Warren School District and that you sign in.

EMERGENCY WEATHER ALERTS

Sign up for this FREE service

Warren County Emergency Management and Alert Iowa have created the Warren County Public Notification System. Warren County residents are encouraged to sign up for emergency alerts regarding inclement weather. Emergency messages can be issued via landline, or wireless phone, text messaging, email, TDD/TTY, and social media.

To sign up for alerts visit the webpage:

<https://www.warrencountyia.org/emergencymanagement> and click on the Alert Iowa - Public Notification System link at the top left of the page. If you need help signing up for this service, stop by City Hall.

Milo Utility Auto Pay

Always a Free Service

As the new year begins, make the change to auto pay and make your life easier by taking advantage of this FREE SERVICE from the City of Milo. Never write another check for your city utility bill and ensure it is always paid on time...no late fees! The City of Milo offers automated payment of your city utility bill from your checking account. Over 130 Milo homes participate in the utility auto pay service. Joining is easy and FREE! Please stop by City Hall or call 641-942-6241 for more information.

Newsletter Submissions

Please contact Patty Harrington, 641-942-6232, or Misti Kosman at the Milo City Hall, 641-942-6241, to submit items for the newsletter. Items can also be emailed to city hall or directly to Patty at milonews@iowatelecom.net. Submissions to the Milo Newsletter are due by the 20th of the preceding month.

Submissions should be limited to recognition events, community events, announcements, new business or business anniversary information. The City of Milo reserves the right to edit articles submitted for the Milo Newsletter. All submissions must be approved by the city of Milo before publishing. No political submissions of any kind are accepted.

Questions regarding new advertising should be directed to Misti Kosman at the Milo City Hall. Contact City Hall at 641-942-6241 with questions.

South Central Iowa Classic Toy Show

February 17, 2024

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Liberty Center, Iowa

Southeast Warren High School

(South of Des Moines 30 miles on Hwy 65)

Admission*: \$3 Adults, under 10 free

Food Available - Free Parking



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Contact: Larry Snuggs
Cell: 641-203-2977

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SOUTHEAST WARREN DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

MINUTES - CITY OF MILO ORGANIZATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

**CITY HALL, 100 MAIN ST., MILO, IOWA TUESDAY,
JANUARY 2, 2024 AT 7:00 PM**

Milo City Council was called to order by Mayor Hall at 7:00 p.m. Council answering roll call: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason. Absent: Rasmussen. Mayor administered the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Mason and second by Wadle to approve the agenda. Ayes-All present. Motion approved.

Motion by Wadle and second by Mason to set the regular Milo City Council meetings for the 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. and reserve the 3rd Monday of each month as an optional meeting. Ayes-All present. Motion approved. Motion by Mason and second by Kinser to designate the Indianola Record Herald as the official publication place for all official budgetary notices and ordinances except minutes, wages and council notices which will published in the Milo Newsletter. Further, Council meeting minutes will be posted under the government tab on the City of Milo website and physically posted at Milo City Hall, Milo Post Office, and Milo Public Library. Ayes-All present. Motion approved. Motion by Mason to designate People's Bank, Milo, Iowa and Community 1st Credit Union, Indianola, Iowa as the official bank depositories for the City of Milo, Iowa. Ayes-All present. Motion approved. Motion by Wadle and second by Mason to appoint Mercy Clinic, 307 East Scenic Valley Avenue, Indianola, Iowa as the Designated Physician/Facility for the City of Milo, Iowa. Ayes-All present. Motion approved. Motion by Mason second by Kinser to appoint Misti Kosman as City Clerk for the City of Milo, Iowa. Ayes-All. Motion approved. Motion by Mason and second by Wadle to appoint Stuyvesant, Strong, Krapfl & Carda Law Firm with locations in Indianola and Carlisle, Iowa as the Designated Attorney for the City of Milo, Iowa. Ayes-All present. Motion approved.

Mayor Hall appointed the following city positions: Tony Beck, Fire Chief; Derek Hommer, Alternate to the Emergency 911 Board; Tangela Mason, Mayor Pro Tem; Joe Kinser, Council Representative for Public Safety; Eric Rasmussen, Council Representative for Utilities; Erica Wadle, Council Representative for Streets; Jeff Griggs, Council Representative for Parks; Tangela Mason, Council Representative for General items.

Mayor Hall recognized the current appointments within the City's Boards and stated that the Board of Adjustments is seeking one additional member.

Mayor Hall then acknowledged the separate 28E Agreements that the City maintains with these entities: The Warren County Sheriff Contract which allows for a 0% annual fee increase unless renegotiated; the Warren County Building Rent contract is perpetual; Warren County Township (Belmont, Otter, Liberty and Union) respective contracts that expire June 30, 2025.

Motion by Mason second by Kinser to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. Ayes-All present. Motion approved. By Order of the Milo City Council

NO PARKING ON CITY STREETS DURING SNOW EMERGENCIES

Milo Ordinance 69.11

When the National Weather Service predicts that two or more inches of snow or ice will fall or has fallen within the Milo area, street parking is not allowed.

The parking ban shall be in effect for a period of 24 hours after the snow ceases and the blowing stops or when the snow has been cleared from the city streets. Any car found in violation of this ordinance will be towed at the owner's expense.

City of Milo Ordinance 69.11 is available online at cityofmilo.com or by contacting City Hall at 641-942-6241

Country Christmas Committee

Each year, hundreds of visitors, vendors, local non-profits, and volunteers come out to make Milo's Small Town Country Christmas a great start to the holiday season. The event has been held on the first Saturday of December for more than 30 years and needs more volunteers to ensure it continues for years to come.

We have a variety of volunteer opportunities the day of the event, the weeks leading up to the event, and tear down after the event. This is a great opportunity for individuals to use their artistic abilities, gain knowledge and skills, strengthen social ties, and be a part of a great holiday event that benefits local churches, nonprofits, vendors, and businesses.

For more information on how to volunteer, please email us at MSTCC@outlook.com or plan to attend the upcoming meeting Monday, March 18th at 6:30 PM at the Milo Public Library.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER DAY CELEBRATION



INDIANOLA COMMUNITY DAY

Saturday, Feb. 3, 2024 - 10 AM to 12 PM

Look forward to George Washington Carver-centered
ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES.

COCOA FOR KIDS & PLANT A SEED AT UNCOMMON GROUNDS

Grab a cup of cocoa and plant a few seeds to take home.

Sponsored by Warren County Historical Society & Museum and Warren County Historic Preservation Commission and Hy-Vee & Iowa State Extension & Outreach

MAKE A FRESH FLOWER POCKET POSEY AT MASON OUDERKIRK LAW OFFICE

Carver always wore a flower in his jacket lapel, you can too!

Sponsored by Indianola Park Friends and Maddie Kampf Science Classes, Irving School

STORYTIME & SPECIAL EXHIBIT AT CORNER SUNDRY

Join us for story times at 10, 10:45 and 11:30 a.m., with songs in between and trunk exhibit from Carver National Birthplace Monument Park.

Sponsored by Indianola Public Library

CIRCLE 'ROUND THE SQUARE SCAVENGER HUNT AT REGIONS BANK HALLWAY

Pick-up the clues and start your treasure hunt.

Sponsored by Indianola Parks and Recreation

TASTY CARVER TREAT & PHOTO DISPLAY AT SAVOR THE RISE AND PAGETURNERS

Special treat for kids using Carver recipe and photos of downtown Indianola when George Carver was a student. Books available for purchase.

Sponsored by Indianola Independent-Advocate

MOVIE & SPECIAL EXHIBIT AT SALEM CONNECTION

Enjoy a 20-minute film on Carver's life at 10:15, 11:00, 11:45 and view artwork by Indianola & George Washington Carver School students.

Sponsored by Indianola Independent-Advocate and Simpson College



Visit simpson.edu/gwc-day-celebration
for more info.

MINUTES of the CITY OF MILO COUNCIL MEETING

CITY HALL, 100 MAIN ST, MILO, IOWA –
TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024

Milo City Council was called to order by Mayor Hall at 7:09 p.m. after the organizational meeting. City Council answering the Clerk's roll call: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason. Rasmussen was absent.

Motion by Mason and second by Wadle to approve agenda. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason.

Nays: none. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion approved.

Motion by Kinser and second by Wadle to approve the consent agenda to include all Council meeting minutes of December 4, 2023; and accounts payable from December 5, 2023 – January 2, 2024 in the amount of \$86,361.07; November 2023 bank reconciliation report; November 2023 Warren County Sheriff's Report. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion approved.

Under old business, Council reviewed all items resulting in the following actions: Motion by Kinser and second by Mason to approve wastewater project contract payments of \$5,364.40 and \$5,225.25 to Hall Engineering. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion approved. Next, motion by Wadle second by Mason to approve trail project construction contract payment of \$3,684.46 to Elder Corporation. Discussion included the naming of the trail and the pre-construction meeting timeline. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion approved. Then, motion by Kinser and second by Mason to table the North LED sign bids due to not having an updated bid. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion approved. Afterward, motion by Mason and second by Kinser to rescind the approval from December 5, 2023 for the 5 year Warren County Sheriff's Contract due to Sheriff Carico adjustment to a 3 year contract. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion approved. Then, motion by Wadle second by Mason to approve the 28E Agreement with the Warren County Sheriff's Office for a 3 year contract for law enforcement at a fee of \$25,192 annually with no increase. Roll call vote: Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Griggs and Mason. Nays: none. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion approved.

Council departmental reports: Kinser-public safety: expressed concern about potholes on city streets that will have to be filled after snow season. Rasmussen-utilities: absent - no report/questions. Wadle-streets:

no report/questions. Griggs-parks: expressed concerns of the mowing along the trail behind the upper ballfields and noted that there was asphalt and other items in the weeds that he removed last Fall. Clerk stated the Turner is willing to mow the edges if the debris was removed so he wouldn't ruin his mowers. Council stated the debris was left-over from the Lion's Club's pouring the path behind the ballfield. Griggs then asked about the City Park playground safety concerns. Clerk said that Doug Hembry said the playground can be mended in the short term and that he had met with Boland Recreation but had not received any bids or information yet. Discussion followed regarding City Park planning. Mason-general – no report/questions. Doug Hembry, Operations Director – no report as he was on vacation.

Council reviewed all items under new business and City Clerk gave Council a handout that explained revenue funding streams and the expenses that Milo uses including General Fund Levy, employee benefits levy, liability insurances; special revenues, proprietary funds and the restricted uses of each. Clerk also provided a printout of the Cityscape informational magazine from the Iowa League of Cities. Council reviewed the Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) deposits and investments. Discussion followed. Next, City Clerk provided an expense report for the wastewater project and an estimated expense report for upcoming city projects. Discussion followed. Kinser will contact Hembry regarding repurposing the trusses from the City Park shelter. Griggs asked about McClure Engineering's involvement in the trail. Clerk and Mayor explained that because it is a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant, it is required that an engineer oversee the construction portion of the project to ensure it is completed timely and within the guidelines set by the Iowa Department of Transportation. Also, to ensure proper wage compliance and implementing grant reimbursements. Clerk went on to explain that the engineering plans, DOT approval, easement procurement that has happened over the past few years was provided by David Carroll, former Warren County Engineer, as the fiscal sponsor for Milo. Then, after the final plan for the trail was approved by the Iowa DOT, the DOT took over and let the bids and will be involved to ensure compliance for the grant, it was then necessary for the City of Milo to hire an engineer to oversee the construction, wage compliance and grant reimbursement submissions.

There were no public comments. Mayor Hall asked

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if facilitating a meeting with the Milo Lion's Club would be beneficial for understanding the trail information, Griggs agreed and will set a time and place.

Health and safety reviewed the handout "All About You: Is your glass half full?" Motion by Wadle and second by Mason to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. Ayes: All present. Motion approved.

— By Order of the Milo City Council

Milo Fire & Rescue Soup Supper

The Milo Fire & Rescue will be having a soup supper on Saturday, February 17th from 4:30-7:00. We will be serving several different kinds of soups. We will for sure have chili and cheeseburger soup. We will have at least 2 other choices but not sure what they will be quite yet. We will also be serving grilled cheese sandwiches and various desserts. Hopefully the weather will cooperate for this event. Please watch Facebook for any updates. Hope to see many of you there. We can't wait to visit with you and feed you.



We Are Still Collecting Indianola Hy-Vee Receipts!!!

Keep those Hy-vee receipts coming! They really make a difference. Hy-Vee is continuing their donations as we continue to collect the receipts. They appreciate our business and give back to the Milo Community! If you need to drop off your receipts stop by a local business or contact a Community Projects, Inc committee member.



Your Message Could Be on Our Electronic Reader Board!

Did you know that you can have a message posted on our electronic reader board at the west entrance into Milo? Messages related to birthdays, anniversaries or other celebratory messages are \$10 for 1 day. Local businesses and organizations can advertise an event or specials for 3 days for \$10. Non-profit organizations can have their message displayed at no charge. It is estimated that up to 2,000 people view the messages daily. Contact City Hall with your message, display date(s) and arrange to make payment in advance. First come, first serve. Let's utilize this powerful communication tool in our community!

Milo Mobile Food Pantry

2024 Milo Mobile Food Pantry is open at the Milo Community Center from 4:00 pm-6:00 pm on the following date: **February 15, 2023**

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Food Bank of Iowa OR Connie Frazier at 515-491-1364. Please bring reusable bags or boxes if you have them. The mobile pantry is delivered on these dates and is available from 4:00 to 6:00 PM.

The Blessing House Necessity Pantry

The Blessing House will be open from 4:00 – 5:15 pm every Thursday, weather permitting. It will also be open on the dates of the Milo Mobile Food Pantry: February 15, 2024. Diapers, soap, shampoo, toilet paper and other essential items available there. There is NO FOOD. The Blessing House is located at the Milo United Methodist Church, 300 Spruce Street, Milo. Please come to the elevator on the north side of the Church.

Biscuits and Gravy

Biscuits and Gravy will be served February 4 from 7:00 a.m. till 11:00 a.m. For only \$7.00, you can get a great hot breakfast. If you have never attended a biscuits and gravy breakfast, you don't know what you are missing!



FREE SEMINAR

Welcome to Medicare

A free seminar offered by the State of Iowa's
Senior Health Insurance Information Program
(SHIIP) and Indianola Activity Center

"Welcome to Medicare" will cover:

- » Medicare Parts A & B benefits
- » Prescription Drug Benefits (Part D)
- » Medicare Advantage Plans
- » Medicare Supplement Insurance
- » Identify Medicare Fraud, Errors and Abuse

DATE

**Tuesday
February 13, 2024
5:30 - 7:00 pm**

**Location
Indianola Activity
Center
2204 West 2nd Ave
Indianola, IA**

**REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED
by February 5, 2024**

Call (515) 962-5375

www.shiip.iowa.gov



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Administration for Community Living, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C. 20201

Milo Library News

I first off want to thank everyone for supporting the Milo Public Library this holiday season. We were able to raise \$3,500.00 for our building account through holiday ham ball sales, the Country Christmas Ham Ball dinner and the Lion's Club Christmas party in which they gave us \$500.00. We appreciate all that this community does for us. Know that it does not go unnoticed.

Let's move on to programming. We are working really hard to give you all the great programming that we can at the library. We have a limited budget but we do a pretty good job of bringing you quality programs and activities. Please, if you have any suggestions let us know and we will do our best to make some of the things that you might want to see done happen. Know that these take time and it could take several months to get set up, but we will try our best to bring you what you want to see.

Here we go for the month of February.

- Tuesday, February 6th 6:30 – **Adult Coloring Night**
- Thursday, February 8th 4:00 **K-6 After School Program** "I Survived the Eruption of Mt. St. Helens, 1980."
- Thursday, February 15th 6:30 – **Adult Board Game Night** (You must register for this program)
- Friday, February 16th Right after school – **Kids Board Game Day.** Kids must be picked up by 5:00.
- Thursday, February 3:30 – **Preschool/Toddler** "Guess How Much I Love You"
- Monday, February 26th 6:30 – **Free Family BINGO**

We will be offering a new program starting on Monday, March 4th at 9:30 a.m. called **Coffee, Confections, Connections and Books.** This program will be offered once per month and will be aimed towards the 50+ demographic. That being said, anyone is welcome and will be great for any adult. It is pretty much just how it sounds. We will always have coffee and some kind of sweet treat. (Any diabetics I will have something for you also.) We will talk about things going on around the area. I will always try and have some kind of speaker for you, and yes, we will talk briefly about books at each session. In March, I will be your speaker to explain how this little program will work and answer any questions you might have about your public library. I have someone already scheduled for our next session on Wednesday, April 4th. We will have a representative from Peoples Bank coming to talk about scams and fraud. We have been putting this together for quite some time and we are super

excited to get started. We hope many of you will show up for this program. It will be fun and educational and who doesn't like to eat dessert?

Just a reminder that if SEW School cancels class for the day all library programs will be canceled. Be safe out there. This last month has been a weather roller coaster. Let's hope February calms down a bit.

Milo Community Projects, Inc.

The Community Center Committee wanted to update the residents of Milo and others in the area on what's been happening with our community center and museum. Several updates and repairs have been made to the museum, including repairing the floor, repainting walls, and installing new carpet. The Milo Museum, is open weekday mornings for coffee and your enjoyment. The community center is in need of a new roof on the large back portion of the building. We have tried various contractors and if anyone has an idea other than installing new tin, we'd love to hear it. **Also, anyone interested in being part of our committee, feel free to contact one of us.** For those thinking of where to donate or make memorials to as the new year rolls around, please think of the center, our only income comes from rentals and donations. Thank you to all of those who donate their time and money to the facility. Your help is greatly appreciated!

— Mary Jo Ohnemus

Legion Post 263 Biscuits & Gravy

Biscuits and Gravy will be served Sunday, February 4th from 7:00 to 11:00 a.m. For only \$7.00, you can get a great hot breakfast. If you have never attended a biscuits and gravy breakfast, you don't know what you are missing!

SEW Food Pantry Donations

The Southeast Warren Food Pantry is in need of donations. We appreciate both food, personal care and monetary donations. We have seen our numbers continue to increase, helping approximately 40 families/100 individuals every month. Cash or check donations should be directed to the Southeast Warren Food Pantry. They may be dropped off at any school building or mailed to Southeast Warren Schools, 16331 Tyler Street, Liberty Center, IA 50145.



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