

MINUTES of the CITY OF MILO COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL, 100 MAIN ST, MILO, IOWA – MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2024

Milo City Council was called to order by Mayor Hall at 7:01 p.m. City Council answering the Clerk's roll call: Kinser, Wadle, Rasmussen, Griggs, and Mason. Public attending were Josie Edgington, Jonathon Edgington, Darci Edgington, James Phinney, Dailynn Phinney and Bill Mason. Mayor Hall administered the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Wadle, second Mason to approve the amended agenda to include the addition to 5a of the special meeting minutes of 7/17/24 and 7/24/2024. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Rasmussen, Griggs, and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved.

Motion by Mason, second by Griggs to approve the consent agenda to include all meeting minutes of July 15, 2024, July 17, 2024, and July 24, 2024; and accounts payable of and July 16 – August 5, 2024, in the amount of \$207,298.40. July 2024 Warren County Sheriff's Report. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Rasmussen, Griggs, and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved.

Council reviewed all old business items resulting in the following information/actions: Council acknowledged the wastewater project progress meeting notes of July 29, 2024. Then, motion by Kinser, second by Wadle to approve the monthly wastewater project construction monitoring report 13. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Rasmussen, Griggs, and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. Then, motion by Griggs, second by Kinser to approve the contract payment to Hall Engineering for \$663.75. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Rasmussen, Griggs, and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. The Clerk shared information regarding the Iowa Finance Authority fiscal year end wastewater project loan balances noting that the \$975,000 loan had been paid in full and that the other loan is still active until the project is complete. Then, motion by Griggs, second by Mason to approve the trail construction engineering contract with McClure Engineering for \$12,775.59. Ayes: Kinser, Wadle, Rasmussen, Griggs, and Mason. Nays: none. Motion approved. Clerk shared that we are still awaiting TAP grant guidelines regarding future additions and modifications. Griggs said that the Milo Lions Club is creating a design for the trail name sign and that Terry Davis has been talking with Williams Machine Shop for fabrication of the sign. Griggs said he had talked to Doug Hembry and Matt Hansen about mounting the uprights. Griggs said Hansen had a good idea about raising it up enough that is something collided with it there would not be any damage to the upright. Discussion turned to use of the trail with the Mayor noting that is it substantially complete.

Council reviewed all new business items resulting in the following information/actions: Clerk shared that Peoples Bank is increasing the checking interest account from 1.25% to 3.25%. Council discussed the former city hall television and asked the Clerk to check with the library to see if they have a use for it. Mayor Hall said that a 18x18 Milo logo will be purchased for \$46 and will be mounted on the chair and the sign is removeable so that the chair can be used for various events in the community. Next, Clerk presented information. Griggs said he had the bid analyzed by his former colleague and that the pricing is appropriate for the product. Kinser said the same information was provided with his contact. Later in the meeting, Jonathon Edgington suggested checking with A+ Security for a better cost. Council tabled the internet bridge to obtain a second bid from A+ Security and request that EMS decide if they want the internet bridge. James Phinney and Josie Edgington asked about allowing FFA sheep on the Phinney property within the city limits and presented detailed information and a community signed petition. Dailynn Phinney also spoke on the benefits of allowing students to have the FFA animals at their homes within the city limits of Milo. Mayor Hall commended the group for approaching Council with the request and providing information but noted that the property is zoned Residential not Agricultural, and the Milo Code of Ordinances does not allow livestock within the city limits. Mason stated that it opens the door for others who may not be forthcoming and diligent in the care and keeping of FFA livestock. Griggs commented that the Southeast

Warren FFA is one of the best in the State. Discussion followed. Motion by Mason, second by Wadle to deny the request to allow FFA livestock within the city limits of Milo except for what is allowed by city ordinance. Roll call vote: Ayes: Wadle, Griggs, and Mason. Abstain: Kinser and Rasmussen. Nays: none. Motion approved. Mayor Hall then spoke regarding the Warren County Sheriff's Office and code enforcement noting that concerns are minors driving golf carts, people running stop signs, dogs running at large, and parking on streets with no parking signs. Mayor Hall asked Council to send any other concerns to add to a letter to Sheriff Carico asking that patrol be enforcing the ordinance.

Public comments, Bill Mason asked what the survey stakes were in his front yard along Main Street. Clerk noted that they are for the stormwater update that was postponed due to RAGBRAI. Bill Mason questioned why the change? Mayor said it is part of a bigger project than just the area on Main Street. Bill Mason said he needs assurance that his yard will be returned to how it is today. Mayor Hall offered to meet with Doug Hembry and Bill Mason next week. Bill Mason declined. Mayor Hall said Bill Mason's yard would be returned to its current condition. Jonathon Edgington, who works in IT, said that the internet bid seemed higher than it should be and suggested the city contact A+ Communication for another bid. Clerk was directed to contact A+ Communication, Corey Gray.

City comments heard Councilperson Wadle note that an out-of-town person who had not visited in quite a while and was at the Milo Locker and said the community is impressive and looks great.

Motion by Rasmussen, second by Kinser to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. Ayes: All present. Motion approved.

By Order of the Milo City Council