

At a regular meeting of the Milnor City Council held on Monday, June 10, 2024, 5:00 p.m. the following members were present: Curtis Anderson, Monty Haugen, Jodi Ost, Jasmine Smith and Ryan Weber. Absent: Austin Roeder. Also present: LeeAnn Even, Kent Thoreson, Rick Bryant, Carol Peterson, Scott Johnson, Robert Lotzer, Ryan Smith, Terry Dusek and Jennie Hanna.

Meeting called to order by Mayor, Terry Dusek.

Motion to approve the meeting agenda (Haugen/Weber, unanimous).

Motion to approve May meeting minutes (Haugen/Weber, unanimous).

Deputy Rick Bryant reviewed the Sheriff's Report and reported it had been a busy month, with the department dealing with burglaries. The department had suspects. Bryant stated there was more traffic again of minors driving golf carts and 4-wheelers. Bryant stated a driver's license is required to operate those vehicles. Bryant stated June Fest had gone well.

Kent Thoreson reviewed the Engineer's Report and stated the pumphouse generator installation was pretty much completed, and it will take about a year to receive the pumphouse electronics. Thoreson stated a variable frequency drive (VFD) needed to be replaced, and the cost would be \$5260.

Motion to approve the purchase and replacement of the VFD at the pumphouse for \$5260 (Haugen/Ost, unanimous).

Mayor Dusek discussed the Doosan Day of Doing at the Northview Playground on June 12 and the Satellite Club Car Show later that evening. Dusek asked Ryan Smith about another hole for a bury pit at the landfill. Smith stated there is room for one more pit, but that will be the last one at the landfill, since the available room is used up. Council discussed a possible clean up week, and Dusek stated Storbakkens are willing to do one. Dusek stated he'd talk it over more with Storbakkens.

Member Smith questioned whether the city would have the airplane spray for mosquitos, since they may get bad soon. Dusek stated the contract is in place, but the city can fog in the meantime until the plane is needed.

Attorney LeeAnn Even reviewed the 2nd letter that had been hand-delivered to Kenny Lauinger's household by the sheriff's department. Lauinger has until June 30 to remove the specific items from the city. Member Haugen will inspect the property after the deadline to see if Lauinger has complied. If he hasn't achieved compliance, further action will be taken.

Carol Peterson reviewed the Economic Development report and presented bids for the concrete pad for the Northview Playground basketball court.

Motion to approve the concrete bid from Nathan Sundquist for \$6565 (Haugen/Smith, unanimous).

Peterson discussed the Rural Slum & Blight Grant award for the former Tayer Building and presented bids for asbestos inspection, which would be covered by the grant.

Motion to approve the asbestos inspection bid from Heinen Environmental Services for \$1440 (Anderson/Ost, unanimous).

Motion to approve Carol Peterson to proceed with the steps in the Rural Slum & Blight grant, as long as it falls under the guidelines (Ost/Haugen, unanimous).

Motion to approve the Bison Booster Club's Yearly Gaming Site Authorizations for Hump's Bar & Grill and Lakeview Golf Course (Anderson/Ost, unanimous).

Motion to approve building permits to Kathy Pflingsten – storage shed at veterinarian's, Dave & Deb Wagner – garage, Brooke Peterson – roof replacement, Milnor Grain – dryer shed replacement (Smith/Ost, unanimous).

Motion to approve alcohol permits to Hump's Bar – June Fest 6/1 and Satellite Club Car Show 6/12 and The Schoolhouse – Mund/Kelly Wedding at MAAC 8/3 (Haugen/Anderson, unanimous).

Council discussed possible changes to the Northview covenants. Member Ost voiced concerns regarding the strictness of the rules and stated they turned people off from moving into Northview. Mayor Dusek stated the covenants could be updated.

The following bills were presented and approved (Anderson/Ost, unanimous).

| <u>Check #:</u> | <u>Fund:</u> | <u>To Whom:</u> | <u>Amount:</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| 19974 | General | Sargent County Auditor | 2814.48 |
| 19975 | General | Carol Peterson | 1433.93 |
| 19976 | General | Dakota Plains Ag | 111.73 |
| 19977 | General | Dickey Rural Networks | 369.11 |
| 19978 | General | Jeremy Bixby | 16.13 |
| 19979 | General | John Deere Financial | 653.17 |
| 19980 | General | Lee's Service Station | 320.50 |
| 19981 | General | Midwest Pest Control Inc. | 85.00 |
| 19982 | General | Milnor Market | 30.74 |
| 19983 | General | Minn-Kota Communications, Inc | 415.45 |
| 19984 | General | Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. | 141.06 |
| 19985 | General | Otter Tail Power Company | 2173.25 |
| 19986 | General | Riteway | 283.35 |
| 19987 | General | Robert Gregor | 270.00 |
| 19988 | General | The Sargent County Teller | 266.96 |
| 19989 | General | Waste Management of WI-MN | 1360.20 |
| 19990 | General | Payroll Account 61-639 | 6277.67 |
| 19991 | General | Verizon Wireless | 126.73 |
| 19992 | General | Stock Growers Bank | 100.00 |
| 19993 | General | Milnor Postmaster | 170.13 |
| 19994 | General | Storbakken Sanitation Inc | 4860.00 |
| 19995 | General | Milnor Park Board | 1702.92 |
| 19996 | General | Library Fund | 242.85 |
| 19997 | General | Airport Authority | 419.89 |
| 19998 | General | Debt Service Fund | 7798.43 |
| 19999 | General | Payroll Account 61-639 | 6060.20 |
| 20000 | General | Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND | 3031.41 |
| 3557 | Debt Service | Southeast Water Users | 3423.88 |
| 3558 | Debt Service | Dakota Valley Electric Coop | 499.00 |

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| 3559 | Debt Service | City of Fargo | 14.00 |
| 3560 | Debt Service | Interstate Engineering Inc | 13,663.00 |
| 3561 | Debt Service | ND Rural Water Systems Assn | 265.00 |
| 3562 | Debt Service | North Dakota One Call Inc | 7.50 |
| 3563 | Debt Service | Riteway | 94.45 |
| 3564 | Debt Service | Payroll Account 61-639 | 1136.92 |
| 3565 | Debt Service | Milnor Postmaster | 68.00 |
| 3566 | Debt Service | Payroll Account 61-639 | 1169.03 |
| 6067 | Payroll | Jeremy M. Bixby | 905.84 |
| 6068 | Payroll | Terry J. Dusek | 138.52 |
| 6069 | Payroll | Jennie M. Hanna | 1510.00 |
| 6070 | Payroll | Ryan J. Smith | 2113.45 |
| 6071 | Payroll | ND Child Support Division | 522.50 |
| 6072 | Payroll | Jeremy M. Bixby | 905.84 |
| 6073 | Payroll | Jennie M. Hanna | 1385.30 |
| 6074 | Payroll | Ryan J. Smith | 2186.75 |
| 6075 | Payroll | ND Child Support Division | 522.50 |
| 6076 | Payroll | Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND | 447.69 |
| 6077 | Payroll | Unum Life Insurance Company | 12.34 |
| 224E | Payroll | Nationwide Retirement Solution | 393.90 |
| 225E | Payroll | Nationwide Retirement Solution | 392.62 |
| 227E | Payroll | ND State Tax Commissioner | 47.37 |
| EFTPS 6 | Payroll | Internal Revenue Service | 3186.10 |
| 1024 | Airport | Dickey Rural Networks | 128.26 |
| 1025 | Airport | Midwest Pest Control | 85.00 |
| 1026 | Airport | Speich Seed | 848.14 |
| 1083 | Library | Milnor Public School | 564.56 |

The regular July and Organizational meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m., July 8, 2024.

Motion to adjourn (Haugen/Ost, unanimous).

Jennie Hanna, Auditor

Terry Dusek, Mayor