

At a regular meeting of the Milnor City Council held on Monday, August 13, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. the following members were present: Curtis Anderson, Merril Decker, Charles Faber, Monty Haugen, Eric Hoff and Nannette Severson. Also present: City Attorney LeeAnn Even, Sheriff Travis Paeper, Carol Peterson, Tibby Hinderlie, Janice Bixby, Debbe Ellefson, Terry Hoff, Mary Gibbon, Peder Hinderlie, Kayley Peterson, Paul Coppin, Robert Lotzer, Harrison McCleery, Paul Kalibabky, David Fraedrich, Ryan Smith, Terry Dusek, and Jennie Hanna. Brian Tayer and Brooke Tayer joined the meeting later.

Meeting called to order by Mayor, Terry Dusek.

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

Motion to approve the July meeting, RZ phone meeting and preliminary budget meeting minutes (Anderson/Hoff, unanimous).

Sheriff Travis Paeper presented the Sheriff's Report. He presented a \$2,000 check, donated from the Rutland Sportsman's Club, to Carol Peterson to be put towards the purchase of electronic speed signs. He stated that the previous month had been speed limit and seat belt enforcement month, but overall it had been a quiet month. He discussed an incident that had started in South Dakota and ended in Milnor. In the end it was determined the person who had called it in had mistaken what they had seen, and the incident had ended peacefully and without any arrests, as no laws had been broken. He also said that the Sheriff's Department is working on having a School Resource Officer available, who would be shared between the three schools in the county.

LeeAnn Even reviewed the Attorney's Report. She discussed land, located along drain #7, that the Sargent County Water Resource District (WRD) would like to deed to the city. She stated that the land was originally deeded from Richard Engst to the WRD and that they should deed the land back to him. She discussed the meeting she and Mayor Dusek had with the Milnor Airport Authority board, regarding the Airport standing on its own. The land should be deeded from the city to the airport, and the airport would become its own entity. However, the city would still maintain jurisdiction and authority. Currently, the board is appointed, but replacement board members would need to be approved by the city council. The airport would be annexed into city limits. Member Severson suggested tabling the issue until the September meeting, so more information can be gathered. It was also suggested having the Airport Authority board attend the September meeting.

Carol Peterson reviewed the Economic Development Report. She reviewed her July log. She stated that the city had received the \$3,600 grant check from Alliance Pipeline for the electronic speed signs, in addition to the \$2,000 check from the Rutland Sportsman's Club. She said that she would like to discuss with Sheriff Paeper which signs would be the best choice. She discussed the Renaissance Zone amendment change that had been approved, regarding the spec house, which now allows it to be included in the Renaissance Zone.

There were recycling presentations given by representatives from Waste Management and Fraedrich Transport. Paul Kalibabky, of Waste Management, stated that their company is the only company that processes their own waste. They would provide a 96-gallon container to each household and do curbside pickup monthly. Another container can be provided to the customer, for a reduced price. They take multiple types of recycling products, which all can be discarded in the bin, as loose product. Their contract price would be guaranteed for five years.

David Fraedrich, of Fraedrich Transport, stated that they offered all the same options as Waste Management. They also provide a 96-gallon container, with the option to provide another at a reduced

price. They would also do monthly curbside pickup. They also take multiple types of recycling products, which they transport to Minn-Kota for processing. They also provide a 5-year contract.

Mayor Dusek questioned whether a large recycling dumpster, with separate compartments for different materials, would be a possibility, instead of curbside pickup. Both representatives stated that neither of them offered that option, because there is too much contamination involved with the large dumpsters.

Mayor Dusek requested bids from both companies within the next couple of weeks. The bids would be opened and presented at the September meeting.

Mary Gibbon asked whether either company would offer rural service for recycling. Both representatives said it could be a possibility, but it would depend on the distance from town and the rural population density. Prices would also be different for rural customers.

Paul Coppin was present to discuss, with the council, the history of the Sebens Building and grocery store.

Mayor Dusek stated that Montana-Dakota Utilities would like to conduct a townhall meeting with the residents, regarding bringing the natural gas pipeline into the city. He said they would like to do this sometime after Labor Day. Dusek also stated that the proposed infrastructure fund in the North Dakota legislature could help pay for the pipeline and encouraged the council members to write their representatives to vote in favor of it.

Motion to approve building permits to William Popp – Deck, Jose Romero – Deck, Lynn and Michelle Odegard – Foltz shed (Faber/Haugen, unanimous).

Motion to approve Pledge of Securities for June 30, 2018 (Haugen/Severson, unanimous).

Mayor Dusek stated the council had met to approve the preliminary 2019 budget on Wednesday, August 8, 2018. The preliminary budget had been approved, and the city had held the line and was levying the same amount as the previous year. The preliminary budget is on file at the City Office and may be examined upon request. The final budget adoption hearing will be held before the regular council meeting in September.

Mayor Dusek discussed the issues with the weather siren not being activated during dangerous weather. He said he was going to be meeting with the Milnor Fire Department, Sandy Hanson, and the new Sargent County 911 coordinator, Wendy Willprecht, to discuss the weather emergency protocol for activating the sirens.

Ryan Smith presented the City Maintenance report. He discussed the bids for the replacement part that would allow the two sirens to communicate. He also presented a list of prices for a pumphouse generator. He stated that a smaller one would allow 4 out of the 6 pumps to operate, if the electricity goes out. There was a discussion about whether a larger generator would be a better idea. There was agreement that a pumphouse electrical upgrade is still needed, but a generator would keep the pumphouse going in an emergency. Mayor Dusek suggested that maybe a generator would qualify for a grant from the community foundation.

The following bills were presented and approved (Haugen/Severson, unanimous).

<u>Check #:</u>	<u>Fund:</u>	<u>To Whom:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
17793	General	Sargent County Auditor	2101.75

17794	General	Development, Inc.	850.00
17795	General	Bluetarp Financial Inc.	48.99
17796	General	Carol Peterson	75.00
17797	General	Crossroads Electric Inc.	894.38
17798	General	Dakota Plains Ag	302.87
17799	General	Dickey Rural Networks	339.94
17800	General	Even Law Office, PLLC	190.00
17801	General	Interstate Billing Service Inc.	239.14
17802	General	John Deere Financial	683.02
17803	General	Lee's Service Station	551.90
17804	General	Milnor Market	4.29
17805	General	NDSWRA	75.00
17806	General	Office Depot	169.76
17807	General	Otter Tail Power Company	1617.54
17808	General	Sargent County Auditor	652.55
17809	General	Summit Companies	84.00
17810	General	Team Laboratories Chemical Corps	1546.00
17811	General	The Sargent County Teller	392.76
17812	General	Milnor Postmaster	50.00
17813	General	Payroll Account 61-639	5252.62
17814	General	Milnor Postmaster	111.65
17815	General	Verizon Wireless	75.97
17816	General	Storbakken Sanitation Inc	4466.00
17817	General	Library Fund	14.97
17818	General	Development Inc.	9.68
17819	General	Airport Authority	37.03
17820	General	Debt Service Fund	1642.32
17821	General	Payroll Account 61-639	5169.85
17822	General	Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	2905.41
2857	Debt Service	Southeast Water Users	4238.70
2858	Debt Service	Dakota Valley Electric Coop	366.00
2859	Debt Service	Hach Company	59.09
2860	Debt Service	John Deere Financial	32.40
2861	Debt Service	ND Department of Health	353.10
2862	Debt Service	ND Department of Health	16.00
2863	Debt Service	North Dakota One Call Inc	4.80
2864	Debt Service	US Bank	500.00
2865	Debt Service	Payroll Account 61-639	926.24
2866	Debt Service	Payroll Account 61-639	975.98
5237	Payroll	Terry J. Dusek	138.52
5238	Payroll	Jennie M. Hanna	1274.99
5239	Payroll	Richard A. Kaufmann	1242.67
5240	Payroll	Ryan J. Smith	1570.36

5241	Payroll	Nationwide Retirement Solutions	326.00
5242	Payroll	Jennie M. Hanna	1205.43
5243	Payroll	Richard A. Kaufmann	1302.05
5244	Payroll	Ryan J. Smith	1642.03
5245	Payroll	Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota	446.35
5246	Payroll	Nationwide Retirement Solutions	325.00
EFTPS 8	Payroll	Internal Revenue Service	2747.12
802	Airport	Dickey Rural Networks	116.36
803	Airport	Lee's Service Station	23.00
804	Airport	Mark Gainor	48.34

The regular September meeting and final 2019 budget adoption will be held at 5:00 p.m., Monday, September 10, 2018 (The regular September meeting and final 2019 budget adoption was later rescheduled to September 17, 2018).

Motion to adjourn (Haugen/Anderson, unanimous).

Jennie Hanna, Auditor

Terry Dusek, Mayor