

At a regular meeting of the Milnor City Council held on Monday, March 8, 2021, 5:00 p.m. the following members were present: Curtis Anderson, Monty Haugen, Bud Heinert, Austin Roeder and Nannette Severson. Absent: Ryan Weber. Also present: Carol Peterson, City Attorney LeeAnn Even, Deputy Richard Bryant, Mike Bassingthwaite, Mark Gainor, Mary Engst, Robert Lotzer, Jasmine Smith, Ryan Smith, Terry Dusek and Jennie Hanna.

Meeting called to order by Mayor, Terry Dusek.

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

Motion to approve the February meeting minutes (Severson/Haugen, unanimous).

Deputy Richard Bryant reviewed the Sheriff's Report. He stated the new deputy has been conducting a number of traffic stops and issuing tickets. He reviewed the log and discussed various incidents that had taken place over the last month. Member Heinert asked about a dog that had been running loose and terrorizing residents. Bryant stated he had tickets he needed to deliver and would talk with the dog's owner.

Mark Gainor stated there had been some non-permissioned traffic through the airport, and they had torn up the grass and left ruts. He asked council if he could put up a sign to restrict traffic. Council had no objections to a sign.

Mayor Dusek opened up a bid for Milnor Housing Authority townhouses. A bid of \$255,000 was submitted from CRE Land Company, which was not accepted by the Housing Authority.

Mike Bassingthwaite presented Interstate Engineering's Park Road paving plans and specs for approval. The approximate total cost for the project is \$100,000. The city has a grant for 60% of the cost and will be responsible for the remaining 40%. Bassingthwaite stated they would like to begin advertising for bids starting March 19. Council stated they would like the work to be done before Labor Day and asked the work not be conducted during the time of the All-School Reunion in July.

Motion to accept Interstate Engineering's plans and to go forward with advertising (Severson/Haugen, unanimous).

Ryan Smith reviewed the Maintenance Report. He informed council he had ordered a Bobcat attachment to run the generator.

Mayor Dusek requested the Equipment Committee to look into a street sweeper, so the city has one by spring. He informed council there is still interest in the remaining equipment items that weren't sold on bids and states he thinks the city should relist the items for bids.

Motion to relist the remaining equipment items for bids to be opened at the April meeting (Anderson/Roeder, unanimous).

Carol Peterson reviewed the Economic Development Report. She informed council she had been talking with a developer regarding a new spec home for Northview and that the new emergency siren and pole had been ordered. Peterson presented a finalized RZ project from Buskohl Land Partnership to be approved by council.

Motion to approve the finalized RZ Project application for new construction on property located at 8042 140 ½ Avenue SE, Milnor, ND, legally known as Lot 1, Block 1, Ruby Industrial Addition to the City of

Milnor, Sargent County, North Dakota (Parcel #25-7851000), owned by John Buskohl, Buskohl Land Partnership. Property is located in Renaissance Zone Block 38 (Haugen/Severson, unanimous) Motion carried.

Carol Peterson asked council to start thinking about ideas for tree projects for grant applications. Member Heinert suggested planting trees between the lake and landfill to hide the view of the landfill.

Motion to approve building permit for Austin and Allison Roeder – house in Mund’s East Acres (Anderson/Severson with Roeder abstaining, unanimous).

Motion to approve raffle permit for Milnor Scholarship Association – raffle board (Severson/Roeder, unanimous).

Motion to approve Airborne Vector Control Contract for 2021 (Haugen/Severson, unanimous).

Jennie Hanna informed council she needed to transfer money from the General Fund to the Garbage Fund to cover a negative balance at the end of February. Council asked that a discussion of possibly raising the garbage service fee be included on the April agenda.

There was a discussion of a Cruise Night during the All-School Reunion, which the council had no issue with.

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

<u>Check #:</u>	<u>Fund:</u>	<u>To Whom:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
18715	General	Sargent County Auditor	2274.34
18716	General	Carol Peterson	1133.00
18717	General	Auto Value Wahpeton	141.95
18718	General	Bluetarp Financial Inc.	159.91
18719	General	Crossroads Electric Inc	171.02
18720	General	Dakota Plains Ag	132.43
18721	General	Dickey Rural Networks	350.38
18722	General	Expressions Floral & Gift	75.00
18723	General	John Deere Financial	21.05
18724	General	Lee’s Service Station	108.00
18725	General	Milnor Market	7.08
18726	General	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	361.22
18727	General	ND Dept Environmental Quality	10.00
18728	General	Neuweg Industries LLC	156.84
18729	General	Otter Tail Power Company	1662.99
18730	General	Swedes Plumbing	50.00
18731	General	The Sargent County Teller	445.12
18732	General	Waste Management of WI-MN	1263.98
18733	General	Payroll Account 61-639	5615.39
18734	General	Verizon Wireless	73.16
18735	General	Storbakken Sanitation Inc	4508.00
18736	General	Library Fund	2050.30

18737	General	Airport Authority	10,038.55
18738	General	Debt Service Fund	191,859.57
18739	General	Milnor Park Board	2153.17
18740	General	Debt Service Fund	1055.31
18741	General	Payroll Account 61-639	5595.02
18742	General	Milnor Postmaster	55.00
3171	Debt Service	Southeast Water Users	3783.00
3172	Debt Service	Dakota Valley Electric Coop	559.00
3173	Debt Service	Ferguson Waterworks #2516	413.18
3174	Debt Service	John Deere Financial	13.73
3175	Debt Service	ND Department of Health	16.00
3176	Debt Service	ND Rural Water Systems Assn	130.00
3177	Debt Service	City of Milnor	50.00
3178	Debt Service	Payroll Account 61-639	993.06
3179	Debt Service	Milnor Postmaster	112.68
3180	Debt Service	Payroll Account 61-639	1032.54
3181	Debt Service	Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	2806.79
5611	Payroll	Terry J. Dusek	138.52
5612	Payroll	Jennie M. Hanna	1368.94
5613	Payroll	Richard A. Kaufmann	1336.54
5614	Payroll	Ryan J. Smith	1681.79
5615	Payroll	Nationwide Retirement Solutions	349.88
5616	Payroll	Jennie M. Hanna	1364.15
5617	Payroll	Richard A. Kaufmann	1489.67
5618	Payroll	Ryan J. Smith	1642.42
5619	Payroll	Nationwide Retirement Solutions	359.66
5620	Payroll	Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	424.51
5621	Payroll	Unum Life Insurance Company	21.93
5622	Payroll	ND State Tax Commissioner	285.38
EFTPS 3	Payroll	Internal Revenue Service	2952.89
916	Airport	Dickey Rural Networks	117.67
917	Airport	Midwest Pest Control	60.00

The Board of Equalization and regular April meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 12, 2021.

Motion to adjourn (Anderson/Severson, unanimous).

Jennie Hanna, Auditor

Terry Dusek, Mayor