

At a regular meeting of the Milnor City Council held on Monday, October 11, 2021, 5:00 p.m. the following members were present: Curtis Anderson, Austin Roeder and Nannette Severson. Ryan Weber and Bud Heinert attended by phone. Absent: Monty Haugen. Also present: Carol Peterson, City Attorney LeeAnn Even, Deputy Richard Bryant, Mike Bassingthwaite, Mary Engst, Robert Lotzer, Ryan Smith, Terry Dusek and Jennie Hanna. Keely Lehmann, Greta Buskohl, Cole Bogart and Rich Prante joined the meeting later.

Meeting called to order by Mayor, Terry Dusek.

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

Motion to approve the September meeting minutes (Anderson/Severson, unanimous).

Deputy Richard Bryant reviewed the Sheriff's Report. He stated he'd been sitting at the stop sign at the corner of 9th Avenue and 1st Street more. Member Anderson said people were still failing to stop at the intersection. Bryant stated he'd received complaints about semis using their engine brakes in town, which is prohibited. Mayor Dusek suggested Bryant talk to some of the drivers and let them know that engine brakes are not allowed. Bryant stated the department will be fully staffed for Halloween.

Mike Bassingthwaite from Interstate Engineering informed council an issue had come up with the NDDOT regarding the upcoming sidewalk project. Because the project is federally funded, the NDDOT may require some city buildings to be surveyed and registered for historic preservation. The survey could cost the city about \$6000 and could push back the project bidding until it's completed. Mayor Dusek stated no buildings are involved in the project, and the owners may not want their buildings designated as historic buildings. Bassingthwaite stated he'd keep the city informed.

Bassingthwaite presented new estimated cost numbers for the Park Road project. He stated if the city chooses to reapply, they want their estimates to be high. Interstate Engineering's estimated probable cost for the project, with construction and engineering, is about \$187,000. If awarded, the 60% grant would be \$102,000, with the remaining cost to the city being \$85,000. The deadline for the application is the end of November. Council decided to table a decision about reapplying until the November meeting.

Members from the Milnor Park Board informed council the swimming pool has been leaking water the past few years and needs to be repaired. The park board has been awarded grant money from the ND Community Foundation to purchase liners for the main and baby pools, which will repair the leaking. They are going to have a company look into other possible issues to see if anything else needs to be repaired and what it will cost. They will let council know what they find out. Mayor Dusek requested the park board attend at least one council meeting a year, which the park board members agreed to.

Ryan Smith reviewed the Maintenance Report and reported a pump at the Main Lift had been knocked out during a power surge. Electric Pump had completed a temporary fix, but the pump needs more thorough maintenance. Smith stated he is waiting on a quote for this. Member Heinert located used payload forks and stated there are used forks available from Ironside Equipment for \$4500 and recommended the city purchase them, since new forks cost about \$8500.

Motion to accept the bid of \$4500 for used payload forks from Ironside Equipment (Anderson/Severson, unanimous).

City Attorney LeeAnn Even informed council the deed for the purchase of lots in the Ruby 2nd Industrial Addition had been completed.

Carol Peterson reviewed the Economic Development Report and presented information showing how much progress the city had made in the last 12 years. Peterson presented a finalized RZ project from Austin and Allison Roeder for council approval.

Motion to approve the finalized RZ project application from Austin and Allison Roeder for the construction of a home located at 203 Glendale Circle, Milnor, North Dakota, legally known as E1/2 of 11 and all of 12 in Block 1, Mund’s East Acres Addition, City of Milnor, Sargent County, North Dakota (Parcel #25-7910000 and Parcel #25-7911000). Property is located in Renaissance Zone Block 3. (Severson/Anderson, unanimous with Member Roeder abstaining). Motion carried.

Motion to approve raffle permits for Milnor Public School Washington D.C. Trip Group – raffle board & raffle tickets and Milnor Fire Department – raffle tickets (Heinert/Roeder, unanimous).

Member Severson presented the minutes from the last library board meeting and stated the library is doing good and is planning an in-person book fair in November.

Mayor Dusek informed council a compressor at the grocery store needed to be replaced recently, and the city will be responsible for the cost, which will be about \$5000.

Mayor Dusek informed council light poles will need to be installed in Northview Addition, and he would prefer decorative poles. Carol Peterson said she would contact Otter Tail to inquire about prices and the number needed.

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

<u>Check #:</u>	<u>Fund:</u>	<u>To Whom:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
18959	General	Sargent County Auditor	2274.34
18960	General	Carol Peterson	1133.00
18961	General	Capital One Trade Credit	720.97
18962	General	Dakota Plains Ag	142.88
18963	General	Dickey Rural Networks	372.73
18964	General	Electric Pump	16,554.02
18965	General	Even Law Office, PLLC	225.00
18966	General	Glacier Enterprises, LLC	2668.50
18967	General	Lee’s Service Station	377.50
18968	General	Midwest Pest Control Inc.	85.00
18969	General	Milnor Market	5.99
18970	General	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	98.00
18971	General	Office Depot	137.48
18972	General	Otter Tail Power Company	1787.86
18973	General	Red River Valley & Western RR	100.00
18974	General	The Sargent County Teller	203.62
18975	General	Waste Management of WI-MN	1254.42
18976	General	Milnor Postmaster	62.00
18977	General	Sargent County Recorder	20.00
18978	General	Payroll Account 61-639	5489.85
18979	General	Stock Growers Bank	110.00

18980	General	Milnor Postmaster	127.20
18981	General	Storbakken Sanitation Inc	4522.00
18982	General	Verizon Wireless	71.63
18983	General	Library Fund	152.84
18984	General	Airport Authority	358.41
18985	General	Debt Service Fund	11,087.95
18986	General	Milnor Park Board	649.91
18987	General	Library Fund	63.57
18988	General	Airport Authority	38.06
18989	General	Debt Service Fund	874.51
18990	General	Payroll Account 61-639	4809.94
18991	General	Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	2806.79
3248	Debt Service	Southeast Water Users	4948.20
3249	Debt Service	Dakota Valley Electric Coop	403.00
3250	Debt Service	City of Fargo	14.00
3251	Debt Service	John Deere Financial	17.85
3252	Debt Service	ND Dept Environmental Quality	158.88
3253	Debt Service	North Dakota One Call Inc.	8.75
3254	Debt Service	Zions Bank	400.00
3255	Debt Service	Payroll Account 61-639	957.82
3256	Debt Service	Payroll Account 61-639	905.11
5697	Payroll	Jeremy M. Bixby	544.87
5698	Payroll	Terry J. Dusek	138.52
5699	Payroll	Jennie M. Hanna	1368.94
5700	Payroll	Ryan J. Smith	1772.38
5701	Payroll	ND Child Support Division	627.00
5702	Payroll	Jeremy M. Bixby	544.87
5703	Payroll	Jennie M. Hanna	1126.00
5704	Payroll	Ryan J. Smith	1621.51
5705	Payroll	ND Child Support Division	627.00
5706	Payroll	Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	410.51
5707	Payroll	Unum Life Insurance Company	8.56
119E	Payroll	Nationwide Retirement Solution	341.42
120E	Payroll	Nationwide Retirement Solution	310.44
EFTPS 10	Payroll	Internal Revenue Service	2621.97
943	Airport	City of Milnor	222.75
944	Airport	Dickey Rural Networks	127.90
926	Sebens	Paul R. Ruby and Donna K. Ruby	23,809.00

The regular November meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m., November 8, 2021. The meeting was later changed to November 15, 2021.

Motion to adjourn (Severson/Anderson, unanimous).

Jennie Hanna, Auditor

Terry Dusek, Mayor