

At a regular meeting of the Milnor City Council held on Monday, April 11, 2022, 5:00 p.m. the following members were present: Curtis Anderson, Monty Haugen, Austin Roeder and Ryan Weber. Absent: Bud Heinert and Nannette Severson. Also present: Carol Peterson, LeeAnn Even, Travis Paeper, Richard Bryant, Mike Bassingthwaite, Denise Ferderder, Scott Johnson, Jordaan Larson, Robert Lotzer, Ryan Smith, Terry Dusek and Jennie Hanna. Jonathan Clark, Cole Bogart, Greta Buskohl, Keely Lehmann, Erica Severson and Rich Prante joined the meeting later.

Meeting called to order by Mayor, Terry Dusek.

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

Motion to approve the March meeting minutes (Anderson/Weber, unanimous).

Mayor Dusek asked Jordann Larson to present her concerns regarding traffic on the airport road. Larson explained a number of drivers are speeding on the road, with the worst times being right after school and late evening. Sheriff Paeper stated they do patrol the road, but more may need to be done. There was a discussion of different signs or lights that could be used. Mayor Dusek asked Ryan Smith to order some speed limit and warning signs. Paeper asked Carol Peterson to price out an electronic speed sign. Paeper also stressed residents need to call 911 when they see illegal activity.

Members of the Park Board discussed the upcoming pool repair this summer and stated they were pricing out a new half-pipe to replace the one at the park. They were asked if the can recycling bin could be moved to a more accessible spot, and they had no issue with that.

Jonathan Clark questioned why the sirens have to go off at noon and 6 pm. He and his wife work nights, and the siren near their home wakes them up. Mayor Dusek stated the sirens go off daily to make sure they're working. Clark stated he understood, but asked if one of the sirens could be removed, preferably the 6 pm one. Council discussed the removal of another siren.

Motion to approve removing the 6 pm siren for all sirens in town, leaving only the regular noon siren (Anderson/Weber, with a roll call vote taken, with all members present voting aye, no nays. Absent: Heinert and Severson). Motion passed.

Mike Bassingthwaite, of Interstate Engineering, informed council the final plan for the Safe Walks to School Phase I project is ready to be sent to state. Bidding will be done in June, with construction to start later summer. The project must be completed by October 21. Bassingthwaite also discussed the Backflow Prevention & Cross-Connection Control Program being implemented by the state for all public buildings. If public buildings do not have the proper backflow preventer, the cost is about \$350 to have one installed by a licensed plumber. LeeAnn Even stated there is an ordinance the city can pass in regards to this, and the city needs to send out a letter and survey to businesses. Council will review the sample ordinance and discuss at the May meeting.

Carol Peterson reviewed the Economic Development Report and stated she had submitted the forestry grant, and she hasn't received any word on the generator grant. Peterson informed council of the funding the city had received for the Yesteryear Project and for the Northview Playground.

City Attorney LeeAnn Even informed council if they wanted to increase council compensation, they needed to vote and adopt it before the next term begins in June organizational meeting. Mayor Dusek discussed council pay in other cities and stated the city was in line with the state. After discussion, it was decided to leave the pay as is for now.

Even stated she had reviewed Chapter #4 of the ordinances and had several changes she thought it needed. Council reviewed the chapter, and Mayor Dusek questioned whether the fire department should have input regarding the chapter. Council tabled a decision on Chapter #4 until May and to have members of the fire department at the meeting for their input.

Ryan Smith presented an updated quote of \$2759.86 from Bobcat of Gwinner for the yearly Bobcat trade-in.

Motion to approve the Bobcat of Gwinner quote for trade-in and purchase of a new Bobcat (Weber/Haugen, with a roll call vote taken, with all members present voting aye, no nays. Absent: Heinert and Severson). Motion passed.

Smith also presented a quote of \$6733.00 from Electric Pump for the Park Lane lift station check valve retrofit repair and replacement.

Motion to approve the Electric Pump quote for the Park Lane lift station (Anderson/Roeder, unanimous).

Motion to approve Sargent County Police Services Contract Adjustment for 2022 (Anderson/Weber, unanimous).

Motion to approve Stock Grower's Bank Pledge of Securities Ended March 31, 2022 (Haugen/Weber, unanimous).

Motion to approve 2022 Keg Lease to Milnor Satellite Club (Anderson/Haugen, unanimous).

Motion to approve Building Permit for Craig Heinert – 2nd Floor Home Renovation (Weber/Haugen, unanimous).

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

<u>Check #:</u>	<u>Fund:</u>	<u>To Whom:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
19151	General	Sargent County Recorder	20.00
19152	General	Sargent County Auditor	3010.94
19153	General	Carol Peterson	1201.00
19154	General	Auto Value Wahpeton	26.99
19155	General	Beaver Creek Archeology	6000.00
19156	General	Bobcat of Gwinner	118.13
19157	General	Dakota Plains Ag	364.36
19158	General	Dickey Rural Networks	361.15
19159	General	Electric Pump	1705.75
19160	General	Even Law Office, PLLC	125.00
19161	General	Interstate Billing Service Inc	500.30
19162	General	John Deere Financial	33.17
19163	General	Lee's Service Station	248.80
19164	General	Midwest Pest Control Inc.	85.00
19165	General	Milnor Market	5.99
19166	General	Minn-Kota Communications, Inc	202.50
19167	General	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	313.75

19168	General	Otter Tail Power Company	1827.63
19169	General	St Paul Stamp Works Inc	98.43
19170	General	Waste Management of WI-MN	1298.66
19171	General	Payroll Account 61-639	5484.68
19172	General	The Sargent County Teller	409.80
19173	General	Milnor Postmaster	129.20
19174	General	Storbakken Sanitation Inc.	4522.00
19175	General	Swedes Plumbing	150.00
19176	General	Verizon Wireless	72.05
19177	General	Library Fund	176.17
19178	General	Airport Authority	458.40
19179	General	Debt Service Fund	9613.80
19180	General	Milnor Park Board	1183.82
19181	General	Debt Service Fund	902.64
19182	General	Payroll Account 61-639	4898.88
19183	General	Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	2676.75
3309	Debt Service	Southeast Water Users	3251.10
3310	Debt Service	Dakota Valley Electric Coop	628.00
3311	Debt Service	City of Fargo	14.00
3312	Debt Service	D Excavating	1036.40
3313	Debt Service	Swedes Plumbing	15.21
3314	Debt Service	Payroll Account 61-639	922.96
3315	Debt Service	Payroll Account 61-639	900.76
5765	Payroll	Jeremy M. Bixby	615.81
5766	Payroll	Terry J. Dusek	138.52
5767	Payroll	Jennie M. Hanna	1450.06
5768	Payroll	Ryan J. Smith	1620.08
5769	Payroll	ND Child Support Division	627.00
5770	Payroll	Jeremy M. Bixby	615.81
5771	Payroll	Jennie M. Hanna	1199.93
5772	Payroll	Ryan J. Smith	1549.62
5773	Payroll	ND Child Support Division	627.00
5774	Payroll	Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND	402.35
5775	Payroll	Unum Life Insurance Company	8.56
137E	Payroll	Nationwide Retirement Solution	339.24
138E	Payroll	Nationwide Retirement Solution	315.02
EFTPS 4	Payroll	Internal Revenue Service	2601.95
960	Airport	Dickey Rural Networks	127.40
961	Airport	Midwest Pest Control	85.00
962	Airport	Northstar Aviation Insurance	1282.00
963	Airport	Northside Implement	2650.00

The regular May meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m., May 9, 2022.

Motion to adjourn (Haugen/Anderson, unanimous).

Jennie Hanna, Auditor

Terry Dusek, Mayor