

**MINUTES OF A VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY  
COUNCIL HELD ON APRIL 13, 2020  
VIA ZOOM MEETING, MILAN, MICHIGAN 48160**

Mayor Hamden called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT REMOTELY:** Mayor Hamden, Pro-Tem Kolar, Council Members Baldwin, Gee, Gilson, Kerkes, and Nie.

**OTHER REMOTE OFFICERS PRESENT:** City Administrator Karen Samborski, City Treasurer Sarah Finch, City Clerk Lavonna Wenzel, City Attorney Steve Mann, Police Chief Donald Tillery, MIS/Communications Director John Koehler, and Parks and Recreation Director Ellen Bell, Building/Zoning Steve Bredernitz, Fire Chief Robert Stevens, Mainstreet Director Jill Tewsley, and DPW Director Stan Kirton.

**OTHERS PRESENT VIRTUALLY:** Dutch Nie, Kelsea Kerkes, user 52318, and Moto Z3

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2020-06 - A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RULES FOR REMOTE ATTENDANCE BY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT REMOTE MEETINGS DUE TO CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-15.**

Motion to approve Resolution 2020-06 by Councilmember Nie, seconded by Councilmember Kolar.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmember Baldwin, Gee, Gilson, Kerkes, Kolar, Nie and Mayor Hamden.

Nays: Zero. Absent: Zero.

Motion carried unanimously

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** April 13, 2020

Motion to approve the agenda by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Kolar.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmember Gee, Gilson, Kerkes, Kolar, Nie, Baldwin and Mayor Hamden.

Nays: Zero. Absent: Zero.

Motion carried unanimously

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** March 9, 2020 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes by Councilmember Kerkes, seconded by Councilmember Nie.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmember Gilson, Kerkes, Kolar, Nie, Baldwin, Gee and Mayor Hamden.

Nays: Zero. Absent: Zero.

Motion carried unanimously

**CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR: (5-minute time limit per person)**

**A. Residents:** None

**B. Non-Residents:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. None**

**MATTERS FOR ACTION:**

**1. None**

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**BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: \$839,625.22**

Motion by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Kerkes to pay the bills. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmember Kerkes, Kolar, Nie, Baldwin, Gee, Gilson and Mayor Hamden. Nays: Zero. Absent: Zero. Motion carried unanimously

**CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR: (3-minute time limit per person)**

1. **Residents:** None
2. **Non-Residents:** None

**MAYOR, COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS AND/OR COMMENTS:**

**Administrator Samborski** shared her appreciation of the understanding and patience from City Council, Staff, and residents. She instructed everyone to check city website/Facebook for Covid-19 updates. Ms. Samborski assured everyone that city is still functioning via remotely and can reach city staff via phone #734-439-1501, residents are advised to leave a message and personal will return their call as soon as possible.

**Clerk Wenzel** thanked Election Inspectors for all their hard work and announced March 10, 2020 Presidential Primary Election results are posted on the city website.

**City Attorney Mann** congratulated Council on their first virtual meeting.

**Chief Tillery** provided Police Department Covid-19 procedures. He instructed residents to call 734-439-1551 for police assistance.

**Mainstreet Director Tewsley** thanked everyone for all the support they have provided to all the downtown business. She provided small business funding/grant updates.

**Councilmember Nie** shared his appreciation and gratitude for Milan residents. Mr. Nie encourages all to be kind to one another, as we are in this together.

**Councilmember Baldwin** announced this meeting will be posted online. He thanked I.T. Director Koehler for all his efforts to make this virtual meeting happen.

**Councilmember Gilson** thanked I.T. Director Koehler for all his help in making virtual meetings a possibility.

**Councilmember Kolar** also thanked I.T. Director Koehler. He is happy to see many residents out walking and sticking together through these times.

**Councilmember Kerkes** thanked the Fire Department and Ms. Samborski for bringing the Easter Bunny around to the Milan residents. She shared her gratitude for so many residents helping each other with various needs. Ms. Kerkes is thankful for Ms. Tewsley efforts in keeping the focus on supporting our downtown businesses.

**Councilmember Gee** shared her gratitude to be part of this new experience. She thanked Mr. Koehler for his efforts on this virtual experience.

**Mayor Hamden** shared his gratitude for all how the residents having been sticking together through this. He believes Milan is a Beacon of Light for others, as we have been featured on Mlive News and USA Today. Mr. Hamden encourages all to stay safe and stay kind to each other.

**NEXT REGULAR/VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING:**

**Monday, April 27, 2020 (Submission Deadline, April 22, 2020)**

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Councilmember Gee, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin to adjourn meeting at 8:12 P.M. Motion carried unanimously

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Dominic Hamden, Mayor  
Wenzel, Clerk

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