

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL HELD  
ON JULY 26, 2021  
147 WABASH ST. MILAN, MICHIGAN 48160**

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

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

**OTHER OFFICERS PRESENT:** Interim City Administrator/Police Chief Donald Tillery, City Clerk Lavonna Wenzel, City Treasurer Sarah Finch, City Attorney Steve Mann, Lt. Nieman, MIS/Communications Director John Koehler, DPW Director Stan Kirton, and Main Street Director Jill Tewsley, Parks and Recreation Director Ellen Bell, Building/Zoning Director Craig Strong and Fire Chief Stevens.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Josh Kofflin, Carrie Ritchie, Annie Riddle, Toni Thompson, Jodie Franklin, Shannon Wayne, and Martha Churchill.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** July 26, 2021

Motion by Councilmember Kerkes to amend agenda by removing Matters for Action item #3 "Approve proposal for street closures during the Route 23 Craft Beer Fest on August 28, 2021", and replace it with a new item #3 "Approve TCO 2021-05-T", seconded by Councilmember Nie.

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** June 12, 2021 - Regular Meeting Minutes

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

**A. Residents:** Matt Belford spoke on behalf of the Milan Fair Board and presented donations from the Milan Fair to the Parks and Recreation Department and to the Milan Police Department.

**B. Non-Residents:** None.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

City Treasurer Sarah Finch presented a fourth quarter preliminary budget update for Fiscal Year 2021.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request (Ignite Church – Summer Splash Event – on July 31, 2021, from 12:00 pm to 3:30pm).**

**B. Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request (Milan High School Student Council – Homecoming Parade on September 24, 2021, from 5:15pm to 6:16pm).**

Motion by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Gee, to approve Consent Agenda items A and B.

Motion carried unanimously.

**MATTERS FOR ACTION:**

**1. Approve the Expenditure of up to \$20,000 for a New Police Detective Vehicle.**

Motion by Councilmembers Nie, seconded by Councilmembers Kolar to approve expenditure.

Motion carried unanimously.

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**2. Approve 2022 Agreement between Milan Community Fair and the City of Milan.**

Motion by Councilmember Kerkes seconded by Councilmember Gilson to approve the agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

**3. (Newly Added) Approve TCO 2021-05-T.**

Motion by Councilmember Baldwin seconded by Councilmember Nie to approve the TCO.

**BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL:                      \$408,521.90**

Motion by Councilmember Kerkes, seconded by Councilmember Gee.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

**A. Residents:** None

**B. Non-Residents:** None

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

**Interim City Administrator/Chief of Police** thanked Department heads for their support and teamwork.

**Police Lt. Nieman** shared traffic warnings and provided police department updates.

**Parks and Recreation Director Bell** announced the blue grass band "The Blue Walkers" will be performing at the next "Concert and Movie in the Park". Check parks and recreation website for more details.

**Main Street Director Tewsley** announced that Main Street and the Milan Chambers is working with Milan High School and shared details regarding the Milan High School Homecoming parade.

**Councilmember Nie** provided information regarding Historical Society and operating hours for the Hack House.

**Councilmember Baldwin** thanked the Milan Police department for helping the Milan Youth Council with their project.

**Councilmember Gilson** announced the annual Milan Car-fest and Bluegrass Festival has begun.

**Councilmember Kolar** is happy to see the completion of the Platt Road project. He would like to see more sidewalks added throughout the city.

**Mayor Hamden** thanked DPW for all their hard work. He thanked Milan Beautification Commission for the new City Hall Sign that was painted beautifully by Ms. Roney. Mayor Hamden announced that the contract for the City Administrator search will be up for review shortly.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**

**Monday, August 9, 2021 (Agenda Item Submission Deadline, August 4, 2021)**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:15 PM. by Councilmember Kerkes, seconded by Councilmember Gee.

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Dominic Hamden, Mayor

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Lavonna Wenzel, Clerk