

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL HELD ON  
OCTOBER 26, 2020 COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
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:** City Administrator Karen Samborski, City Clerk Lavonna Wenzel, City Attorney Steve Mann-Excused, Police Chief Donald Tillery, MIS/Communications Director John Koehler, and Building/Zoning Steve Bredernitz.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Martha Churchill

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2020-17 – A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RULES FOR REMOTE ATTENDANCE BY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT REMOTE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.**

Motion by Councilmember Baldwin, seconded by Councilmember Kerkes to approve Resolution 2020-17.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** October 26, 2020

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

Motion carried unanimously

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** October 13, 2020 - Work Session Minutes  
October 13, 2020 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Baldwin, to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Councilmember Kolar.

Motion carried unanimously

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

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. **Building Department Monthly Report for September 2020.**
- B. **Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request (Milan Flyers Radio Control Aircraft Club– Tuesday, October 31, 2020 from 6:00 pm to Midnight).**

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

Motion carried unanimously

**MATTERS FOR ACTION:**

- 1. **Approve Resolution 2020-18– A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE STEVEN JOSEPH REUTHER MEMORIAL GARDEN AND TO AUTHORIZE JAMES “MIKE” BUTLER AS THE CARETAKER THEREOF FOR THE PERIOD OF TEN YEARS**

Motion by Councilperson Kolar, seconded by Councilperson Nie to approve Resolution 2020-18

Motion carried unanimously

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**2. Resolution 2020-19 – LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT APPROVAL OF MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION SOCIAL DISTRICT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR THE EARL GLADFELTER POST NO. 268 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION.**

Motion by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Nie to approve Resolution 2020-19.

**3. Approve the Direction to the Chief of Police to Make Milan Police Department Policy Numbers 300; 301; 303; 304; 316; 401; & 431 Available for Public.**

Motion by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Gee to **NOT** approve making above policies available to the public.

**Roll Call Vote to approve motion:** Ayes: Gee, Gilson. Nays: Baldwin, Kerkes, Kolar, Nie, Hamden. Absent: Zero  
Motion failed.

Motion by Councilmember Baldwin, seconded by Councilmember Kerkes to **APPROVE** making above policies available to the public.

**Roll Call Vote to approve motion:** Ayes: Gee, Kerkes, Kolar, Nie, Baldwin, Hamden. Nays: Gilson. Absent: Zero  
Motion carried.

**BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: \$311,202.09**

Motion by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Kolar to pay the bills.

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** reminded everyone of the Halloween Trick or Treating hours. She requested everyone to check the city website and/or city Facebook for brush and leaf pick-up dates.

**Clerk Wenzel** provided Election updates.

**Chief Tillery** thanked City Council for the discussion and direction on policy availability.

**Parks and Recreation Director Bell** thanked AJ Paving for the topcoat on the Basketball Court, she was also able to repair one of the basketball hoops and add two more additional hoops.

**Mainstreet/DDA Director Tewsley** provided Council a downtown parklet update. She thanked Mayor and Council for the support and approval to the Social Drinking Districts.

**Councilmember Gee** sends get well wishes to Joyce Ervin with the Milan Eagle and for all the have a safe Halloween.

**Councilmember Kolar** announced Milan Cares will be canvassing the town on November 7, and City Clean-up Day is scheduled for December 2.

**Councilmember Baldwin** informed everyone of Drive-In movie night on Halloween, provided by Moving Milan Forward. He shared his admiration for the work City Council is doing to provide transparency in government.

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**Councilmember Nie** gave a shout out to the Milan and Dundee Fire Department on the controlled burn they had on a donated house.

**Councilmember Gilson** will continue send commutations to Norfolk Southern Railway about blocking multiple tracks at the same time.

**Councilmember Kerkes** is very pleased with the improvements City Council is making and for voting for transparency in some of the Police policies.

**Mayor Hamden** provided reminders on all the Halloween attractions and the hours for Trick or Treat are 6: pm to 8: pm.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**

**Monday, November 9, 2020 (*Agenda Item Submission Deadline, November 4, 2020*)**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin to adjourn meeting at 8:57 P.M. Motion carried unanimously

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Dominic Hamden, Mayor

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Lavonna Wenzel, Clerk