

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL HELD
ON NOVEMBER 28, 2022
147 WABASH ST. MILAN, MICHIGAN 48160**

Mayor Kolar called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Milan Girls Swim Team District 3 State Champion Annabelle Williams.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kolar, Pro-Tem Kerkes, Council Members Baldwin, Kofflin, Nie, Thompson, and Wayne.

OTHER OFFICERS PRESENT: City Administrator Jim Lancaster- Excused, City Clerk Lavonna Wenzel, City Treasurer Sarah Finch, City Attorney Steve Mann, Police Chief Don Tillery, MIS/Communications Director John Koehler, Main Street Director Jill Tewsley, and Parks and Recreation Director Ellen Bell. Fire Chief Robert Stevens - Excused.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Snyder, Carrie Ritchie, Sallie Bancroft, Brandon Plasters, Annabelle Williams, Paxton and Denise Williams.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: November 28, 2022

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 14, 2022 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Nie, to approve the meeting minutes seconded by Councilmember Baldwin.
Motion carried unanimously.

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

A. Residents: None.

B. Non-Residents: Troy Goodnough, Monroe County Sheriff spoke.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A Mayoral Proclamation proclaiming November as National American Indian Heritage Month.

CONSENT AGENDA:

None

MATTERS FOR ACTION:

- 1. Approve the Second reading of the Marihuana Zoning Ordinance Amendment.**

Motion by Councilmember Kofflin, seconded by Councilmember Nie to approve the amendment.

Roll Call Vote: Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, Zero Absent Motion carried unanimously.

- 2. Approve the Second reading of Medical Marihuana Ordinance 2022-06**

Motion by Councilperson Baldwin, seconded by Councilperson Thompson to approve the Second reading.

Roll Call Vote: Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, Zero Absent Motion carried unanimously.

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3. Approve the Second reading of Recreational Marihuana Ordinance 2022-07.

Motion by Councilperson Nie, seconded by Councilperson Kofflin to approve the second reading.

Roll Call Vote: Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, Zero Absent Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approve Agreement between Milan Seniors for Healthy Living and the City of Milan.

Motion by Councilperson Kerkes, seconded by Councilperson Baldwin to approve the agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approve Contract with Quadient Leasing for a 5-Year Postage Machine Lease.

Motion by Councilperson Baldwin, seconded by Kerkes to approve the contract.

Motion carried unanimously.

BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: \$413,738.56

Motion by Councilmember Nie seconded by Councilmember Kofflin to pay the bills as presented.

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

A. Residents: None.

B. Non Residents: Carrie Ritchie spoke on behalf of the Milan Chamber reminded everyone of the upcoming Christmas Parade.

MAYOR, COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS AND/OR COMMENTS:

City Administrator Lancaster announced that IT Department's Josh Werkheiser is leaving and headed back to his hometown, he thanked him for his help and wished him a good luck.

City Clerk Wenzel wish I.T. Department Josh Werkheiser a good luck as he will be missed.

Parks and Recreation Director Bell shared that parks and recreation has received \$25K from a community fund grant project that will go towards Nature Park improvements.

DDA Mainstreet Director Tewsley thanked everyone for coming out to shop Saturday. She thanked the volunteers for all their help and announced a "Moonlight Madness" event on Friday December 9th from 9pm till midnight.

Councilmember Kofflin had a blast on "Small Business Saturday" handing out gift cards. He thanked Mayor Kolar, Jill Tewsley, and the businesses on Main Street for helping him with a SEMCOG commercial that can be viewed on the Mainstreet page. He congratulated Annabelle Williams for her win, and Dave Baldwin for his at the Turkey Bowl.

Councilmember Baldwin thanked the Tolan Square Subcommittee for all the work that have put into the planning for the Tolan Square project.

Councilmember Thompson thanked Josh Werkheiser (the Wizard behind the curtain) for his contribution to the city.

Councilmember Wayne congratulated Annabelle Williams and thanked her for staying through to the end of the meeting. Ms. Wayne shared her adoration for not just how well the girls performed but on the extraordinary community Milan is for showing up at all Milan events. They are known as the Milan Army. The Milan Girls Swim team came in 3rd in D3. They did incredibly well, and she is quite sure Milan had the only Mayor present in the stands.

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Councilmember Nie gave shout out to Moving Milan Forward for getting the banner project completed for the Veterans at the American legion. He thanked the Tolan Square Sub-committee for all the hard work and the time they put into the project. He enjoyed a great time having coffee with the seniors on Tuesday, all of council is invited

Councilmember Kerkes congratulated Jill Tewsley on a great "Small Business Saturday" event. Ms. Kerkes shared the joy of her 6-year-old grand-daughter, who went with her Saturday passing out gift cards to lucky shoppers. She commended Jill on doing a job well done and a really great event

Mayor Kolar congratulated Jill Tewsley on another successful Downtown event last Saturday. He shared that his dad drove thru and commented on how many people were out shopping. Mayor Kolar commended her on good job bringing business to the downtown and that it is working. Mayor Kolar presented donations provided by the Backstreet Cruisers, \$200 went to the Milan Police Reserves and \$200 to Parks and Recreation.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Monday, December 12, 2022, (*Agenda Item Submission Deadline, December 7, 2022*)

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:00 pm, by Councilmember Nie, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin.

Ed Kolar, Mayor

Lavonna Wenzel, Clerk