

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL HELD  
ON DECEMBER 13, 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-Excused, Council Members Baldwin, Gee, Gilson, Kerkes-Excused, and Nie.

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Cliff Franklin, Jodie Franklin, Evan Franklin, Josh Kofflin, Martha Churchill, Shannon Wayne, David Sweet, and Carrie Ritchie.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** December 13, 2021

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** November 22, 2021 - Regular Meeting Minutes

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

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

**A. Résidents :** None

**B. Non-Résidents :** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. Building Department Monthly Report for November 2021.**

**B. Receive and file Milan Youth Council meeting minutes of November 30, 2021.**

**C. Approve setting City of Milan Scheduled Meetings Dates for 2022.**

**D. Receive and file Milan Area Fire Department meeting minutes of September 23, 2021.**

Motion by Councilmember Gee, seconded by Councilmember Nie to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**MATTERS FOR ACTION:**

**1. Approve Resolution 2021-19 – A Resolution to enter into contract with MDOT Contract No. 21-5468, Control No. EDF 58000.**

Motion by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin to approve agreement upon City Attorney review and approval of contract.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Gilson request the overgrown brush be addressed that is alongside of the road that is to be resurfaced as well.

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**BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: \$572,647.88**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR: (3 minutes person)**

**A. Residents:** Jodie Franklin, 615 Jefferson Lane spoke.

**B. Non-Residents:** Carrie Ritchie, 8478 Acorne Ave. spoke on behalf of Milam Area of Chambers.

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

**Clerk Wenzel** wished everyone a safe and Merry Christmas.

**MIS/Communications Director Koehler** provided updates on channel 18, it is now broadcasting live however, the power took out the battery backup and some issues may still be present. He cautioned all to be on high alert for computer hacking and viruses this time of year. Mr. Koehler requested departing elected officials to return surface pros to him at their earliest convenience.

**Mainstreet Director Tewsley** shared great feedback from fellow main street directors who visited our downtown and was impressed with how it was decorated. She provided updates on upcoming downtown events. Ms. Tewsley thanked all the volunteers who gave donations, monetarily and/or their time to the shop local and Win the Window event. Ms. Tewsley commended three downtown businesses who have gone above and beyond in charity this season, Adventure Inc, Ink and Die, and The Owl who partnered with nonprofit organizations to assist during the Holidays.

**DPW Director Kirton** announced leaf pick up will continue until the end of the week and will including the fallen branches from past high winds.

**Councilmember Nie** thanked the downtown businesses and everyone for making downtown special. He is happy to see things returning to a new normal. Mr. Nie requested Jr. Mayor Franklin to make an order for Police Department to shave their faces by January 1, 2022.

**Councilmember Gilson** was sad to have missed the Christmas Parade for the first time in years due to being hospitalized for Covid-Pneumonia. He wished everyone to stay safe and have a Merry Christmas.

**Councilmember Gee** wished everyone a Happy Holidays.

**Jr. Mayor Franklin** commands Milan to be kind to each other and Merry Christmas.

**Mayor Hamden** commended DPW and Heath Landscaping on all the decorating, and he appreciated seeing all the leaves getting picked up. He wished everyone a safe and careful Christmas Eve.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**

Tuesday, December 28, 2021 (*Agenda Item Submission Deadline, December 8, 2021*)

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8 pm by Councilmember Nie seconded by Councilmember Baldwin. Motion carried unanimously.

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Dominic Hamden, Mayor

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Lavonna Wenzel, Clerk