

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL HELD
ON JULY 11, 2022
147 WABASH ST. MILAN, MICHIGAN 48160**

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

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

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Danny Fromm, Laura Russea, Dave Snyder, Martin Sema, David Sweet, Carrie Ritchie, Stacey Burnette, Zack Errer, Reggie Miller, Jackson Pahle, and MSHL Director Jennifer Michalak.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: July 11, 2022

Motion to approve the agenda by Councilmember Kerkes with an addition to "Items for Discussion C, A Formation of a Subcommittee to discuss Tolan Square". seconded by Councilmember Nie.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 27, 2022 - Work Session
June 27, 2022 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Kofflin, to approve the meeting minutes seconded by Councilmember Kerkes. Clerk Wenzel announced her correction on the regular minutes to drop "Interim" from City Administrator.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. **Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request (4th Annual Private Block Party -on Michigan Ave to Church Street - September 3rd - From 5:PM to Midnight).**
- B. **Approve Mayoral Appointments to the Milan Historic District Commission.**
- C. **Accept and File Ken Bibee's Resignation from the Planning Commission.**
- D. **Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request (Walk/March through the city by "Occupy the Vote" ending at Wilson park - Specials and Speakers - Open to the Public - July 30, from 10:am to 12:pm).**
- E. **Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request (Block Party - Lee Street - August 4th - From 4:30:PM to 8:20PM). (EVENT ALREADY APPROVED 5-23-22 - MOVING MILAN FORWARD WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO THIS REQUEST, PERMISSION TO PLACE SIGNS IN AND AROUND THE CITY TO ADVERTISE THIS EVENT)**

Motion by Councilmember Baldwin, seconded by Councilmember Nie to approve Consent Agenda items A through E.
Motion carried unanimously.

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MATTERS FOR ACTION:

1. Approve 2023 Agreement between Milan Community Fair and The City of Milan.

Motion by Councilmember Kerkes, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin to approve agreement.
Motion to approve 2023 Milan Community Fair Agreement Withdrawn, by Councilmember Kerkes, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin.

Motion by Nie to approve the Milan Fair board the use of Wilson park with the exception of the basketball court for the dates June 1, 2023, through June 3, 2023, seconded by councilmembers Kerkes.

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

2. Approve Amendments to the Milan Guest Flag Policy

Motion by Councilmember Nie, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin to approve policy amendments.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Nie

Amend motion to strike out the word generally from the policy support baldwin

Kerkes, Kofflin, Nie, Thompson, Wayne, Baldwin, Mayor Kolar Replace "generally" with will.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

- A. Rental Inspections. City Council discussed the benefits of the Rental Ordinance and as it aims to be as fair as possible. Mayor and Council are pleased with the language of the Rental Inspection Ordinance and plan to make it an item on the next council agenda.**
- B. Senior Center Windows. Mayor Kolar provided a photo of the current needs of the building of the center, 925K 38 windows and 8 doors. Wayne in favor of improvements that as a rental venue it needs some attention. Jim will get a 2nd quote. Then a work session will be set to discuss further.**
- C. A Formation of a Subcommittee to discuss Tolan Square. Shann**

BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: \$1,102,331.63

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

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

A. Residents: Dave Sweet spoke. Matt Belford spoke on behalf of the Milan Community Fair Board, and presented photos of improvements made by the Fair to Wilson Park. He presented a donation to the Parks and Recreation and to the Milan Police Department.

B. Non-Residents: Jennifer Michalak MSHL Director announced her departure and farewell. She shared MaryAnn Opal will be taking her place. Ms. Michalak thanked council for their past support to MSHL. Carrie Ritchie spoke on behalf of the Milan Chambers, she shared information on upcoming fund raiser events. Reggie Miller introduced herself as a Candidate running for State Representative.

MAYOR, COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS AND/OR COMMENTS:

Clerk Wenzel thanked MSHL Director Jennifer Michalak for all her years of service.

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Chief of Police Tillery shared details from a critical incident, he thanked surrounding police departments for their added assistance. Chief Tillery announced as of 9:AM on July 12, 2022, the Milan Dispatch Center will close and switch over to county dispatch.

Parks and Recreation Director Bell announced “Concert and Movies in the Park” start this Thursday, and she provided details on other upcoming summer events.

Councilmember Kofflin – pleased to see the formation of a subcommittee for Tolan Square. He shared his appreciation of a Semcog event he attended. Mr. Kofflin announced Saturday, July 16 is Milan Recycle Day.

Councilmember Baldwin thanked Jennifer Michalak for her service to city. He thanked Milan Fair Board for their donation and contribution to the park. Mr. Baldwin thanked city council for having the discussion to move in right direction with Moving Milan Forward.

Councilmember Thompson thanked the police department for helping him with an unlocked door situation he had.

Councilmember Nie thanked Jennifer Michalak and shared his love for commitment

Councilmember Wayne thanked Mayor Kolar and his wife Denise on behalf of the Beautification Commission for watering the flowers at entrance. She shared how this has always been a challenge for the commission. Ms. Wayne volunteered to lead the Tolan Square subcommittee.

Mayor Kolar thanked Jennifer Michalak for her many years of service to Milan Seniors. He thanked the Milan Fair Board for their donations and contributions to Milan.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Monday, July 25, 2022 (Agenda Item Submission Deadline, July 20, 2022)

CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY UP TO THE TIME AN OPTION TO PURCHASE OR LEASE THAT REAL PROPERTY IS OBTAINED:

Motion by Councilperson Nie, seconded by Councilperson Kofflin to go into closed session to consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that real property is obtained, as provided under the Michigan Open Meetings Act – MCL 15.268(d).

Roll Call Vote: Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, and Zero Absent.

Approve the Purchase of 47.4 acres of land, located in York Township, Tax ID No. S1936400-007, S1936400-008 and S1936400-010 and Parcel located in Augusta Township, Tax ID No. T20-31-300-03, and Approve lease of Property.

Motion by Councilmember Nie, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:48 pm, by Councilmember Kofflin, seconded by Councilmember Thompson.

Ed Kolar, Mayor

Lavonna Wenzel, Clerk