

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL HELD
ON SEPTEMBER 27, 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 Inspector Gary Bernard, and Fire Chief Stevens-Excused.

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Kofflin, Dave Snyder, Cliff Franklin, Shannon Wayne, Denise Kolar, Carrie Ritchie, and Martha Churchill.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: September 13, 2021

Motion by Councilmember Kerkes to approve agenda with amendments to add item #3 to Matters for Action, A Contract with TRS for Building the Training Center, and items B and C to the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilmember Gilson.
Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 27, 2021 - Regular Meeting Minutes

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

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

A. Residents:

B. Non-Residents:

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. F & V Monthly Operating Report for August 2021.

B. Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request for Moving Milan Forward (For a Block Party in the Meadowbrook Sub between Morning Glory & Poppy Ln. - Saturday, October 9 - from 4:00pm to 6:00pm).

C. Approve (TCO) Traffic Control Order for the Block party street closures.

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

MATTERS FOR ACTION:

1. Approve Water Treatment Plant Emergency Back-up Generator Repair Not to Exceed 17,477.92.

Motion by Councilmember Kerkes, seconded by Councilmember Gee to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Approve Five-Year Generator Maintenance Proposal from Cummins at \$50,327.19.

Motion by Councilmember Gilson to postpone till next meeting, seconded by Councilmember Gee to postpone.
Motion carried unanimously.

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3. Approve the Contract with TRS Not to Exceed \$2.5 million for Construction of the Training Center on Sanford Rd. with the Stipulation that the Mayor, in consultation with the City Attorney, to approve the Final Contract Language.

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

BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: \$192,406.61

Motion by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Kerkes to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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

A. Residents: Josh Kofflin spoke on behalf of Moving Milan Forward, provided "Recycle Days" update.

B. Non-Residents: Carrie Ritchie spoke on behalf Milan Main Street, thanked everyone for support is last marathon fundraiser. She provided upcoming Mainstreet fundraisers and events. Ms. Ritchie also announced the Milan Area Chamber will be hosting the "Meet the Candidates" forum October 13, 2021, at 7:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

A Brief Discussion on Fire Hydrant Repairs.

Chief Tillery and DPW Director provided updates on plans to replace three hydrants a year. Priority will be based on highest need.

MAYOR, COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS AND/OR COMMENTS:

Interim City Administrator/Chief of Police provided updates regarding storm damage claims that the city's insurance will cover. The roof on the DPW building will be replaced, but not much of anything else is coverable according to our insurance adjustor. He further explained that sidewalks are not covered, homeowners are responsible for those repairs.

Clerk Wenzel provided election updates and candidate campaign sign information.

MIS/Communications Director Koehler provided security camera replacement updates, police department equipment and software updates. He announced he is working with Comcast on getting channel 18 repaired, parts are on order and expected repair is at least four weeks out.

Parks and Recreation Director Bell announced the Splash Pad has been winter proofed, and this weekend is the last Drive in Movie in the Park. The cartoon will start at 7:30 pm and the show starts at 7:45. The first 44 cars will get a bag of popcorn and cost is \$5.00 at car.

Councilmember Baldwin provided updates on Tolan Square project. 75 people have donated and \$36,098 has been raised. He announced there is 27 days left to get your name in the square, bricks may be purchased at \$250 each.

Councilmember Gee expressed her gratitude for all the first responders that worked to keep our city safe through the traffic detour. She asks for everyone to show their support and gratitude as well.

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Councilmember Kerkes thanked everyone for the discussion on the fire hydrant.

Councilmember Kolar announced Milan Cares is hosting the annual “Fall Cleanup” on the morning of October 30 and then a follow up gathering in his office at Work Horse to watch the game.

Mayor Hamden provided updates on the possible opening of 23 expressway. He has reached out to every Politian in the district seeking reimbursements to the city.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Tuesday, October 12, 2021, Due to the Columbus Day Holiday. (*Agenda Item Submission Deadline, October 6, 2021*)

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:47PM. by Councilmember Gilson, seconded by Councilmember Nie.

Dominic Hamden, Mayor

Lavonna Wenzel, Clerk