

**MILACA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 21, 2019 MEETING**

Call to Order Roll Call

The regular meeting of the Milaca City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Pedersen.

Upon roll call the following council members were present: Mayor Pedersen, Councilors: Dillan, Johnson, Larsen and Pedersen.

Councilors Absent:

Staff present: City Manager Tammy Pfaff, Police Officer Craig Elgin, City Attorney Damien Toven, Public Works Supervisor Gary Kirkeby and Building Official Marshall Lind and Fire Chief Craig Billings.

Also Present (Signed In) Tim Hennagir, Jesse Gerads, George Eilertson, Phil Gravel, Bruce Cochran, Holly Wilson, Sherie Billings.

Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Pedersen called for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was introduced by Council member Pedersen and the motion was seconded by Dillan. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Pedersen, second by Dillan, to approve the consent agenda items as follows:

- a) Minutes of the February 21, 2019 City Council Meeting.
- b) Bills for Payment and Treasurer's Report
- c) Resolution 19-12 Police Officer Declaration part-time status Henry Harris
- d) Resolution 19-13 Renewal of Consumption and Display License- Back Alley Bowl, LLC.

Citizens Forum-

Requests and Communications-

Public Hearing – 8th Street NE, 6th Avenue NE and Cemetery Road Street Reconstruction Plan and intent to issue General Obligation Street Reconstruction Bonds.

Mayor Pedersen opened the public hearing at 6:33 p.m. and introduced the city's engineer Phil Gravel to discuss the project. Phil explained that this public hearing is for the financing of the street project and the prepared five year reconstruction plan as part of the bonding process. Phil reviewed with the council and the public that the streets of 8th Street NE and 6th Avenue NE are to milled and overlaid surface with five inches of bituminous with some repairs of curbs and catch basins. Cemetery Road will be overlay of bituminous of 1100 feet on the south end. The project cost is \$485,000. George Eilertson of Northland Securities was in attendance to discuss the General Obligation Street Reconstruction Bonds and reviewed with council and the public the financing options. The bond issuance options to finance the bond for a ten year or a fifteen year period were presented to council. Johnson asked about the life of the road and Phil Gravel commented the life of the road after the mill and overlay would be fifteen to twenty years with

sealcoats every five years. George recommended the ten year term on the bond issuance. Presented was **Resolution 19-14 Adopting a Street Reconstruction Plan and the issuance of General Obligation Street Reconstruction bonds** with a term of ten years. Johnson introduced a motion to approve the resolution and set the term of the bond at 10 years and the motion was seconded by Pedersen. Motion carried unanimously. There were no public comments at this public hearing. Mayor Pedersen closed the public hearing at 6:39 p.m.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Reports of Departments, Boards and Commissions

Police Department- Council reviewed the monthly report.

Parks Commission – Mayor reviewed the parks activity. Presented was **Resolution 19-15 Outdoor Recreation Grant Program**. Dillan introduced a motion to approve the resolution to submit the grant application. The motion was seconded by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Department- Council reviewed the activity report as presented. Mayor Pedersen opened for discussion the county project on CSAH 2, 2nd Street NE and CSAH 32. Mayor Pedersen asked the question as to why the county is now asking for \$628,000, when back in September of 2018 we were given an estimate of \$200,000. Holly Wilson explained to council that the major increase for the cost of the project are the storm sewer pipes that are being replaced due to the condition of the pipes. Mayor Pedersen asked if this project is state aid and Holly confirmed it will be paid as a state aid project. Mayor Pedersen asked why we were responsible for the storm sewer when it is a county road. Holly stated they based the cost split on industry standards of drainage area and calculated some 70% was for city property. Mayor Pedersen stated it is a county road and voiced he was against a \$400,000 increase to the city. Council member Dillan commented that we cannot take a \$400,000 jump like that and that we would have a hard time telling the taxpayers and stated this is the county's project. Mayor Pedersen asked why the city wasn't notified last fall when you knew it would cost \$600,000. Holly stated they did not come here to negotiate. Mayor Pedersen stated you are asking for 75% to pay for this storm sewer when it is your water you are placing on other streets and what if the city said no we are not going to do it. Holly stated you have the obligation not to sign the plans. Mayor Pedersen stated the city will not sign or accept the plans and that at no time did we agree to this percentage, and that it should be 25% for the city and 75% for the county because it is their roads. Mayor Pedersen requested that they take this back to the county board.

Planning and Zoning Commission- Resolution 19-16 Conditional use permit to have vehicle sales in a light industrial district with conditions from the planning commission. Upon a motion by Johnson and seconded by Pedersen the conditional use permit was approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Economic Development Commission- Minutes presented for February 25th meeting.

Fire Department- Advertise for Request for Proposals for a Fire Truck- 3000 gallon tanker pumper. A motion was made by C. Pedersen to approve the advertising for the fire truck. The motion is seconded by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Airport Commission- Council was given an update on the airport layout plan. Presented before the council is a professional service agreement for the airport engineer Bolten and Menk. Upon a motion by Johnson and seconded by Pedersen the agreement is approved. Motion carried unanimously.

MCAT – Dillan stated they will be getting ready for the indoor fishing event.

New Business-

Statutory tort limits- Council will not waive the statutory tort limit upon a motion by Dillan and seconded by Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Special Event Permit- Lighthouse Fellowship Concerts July 21st and September 15th. Upon a motion by Johnson and seconded by C. Pedersen the permit is approved for \$50.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Comments

Mayor Pedersen asked the council for comments: review the snowmobile and golf cart ordinance

Larsen- commented on the Expo

C. Pedersen

Dillan- thank the public works for getting the roads opened from the water flow

Johnson

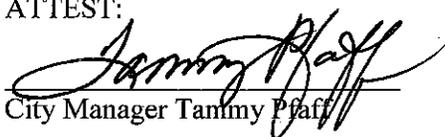
Adjourn

With no other business presented before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by C. Pedersen, seconded by Johnson, all present voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.



Mayor Harold Pedersen

ATTEST:



City Manager Tammy Pfaff