

MILES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 4, 2015

7:00 P.M.

Miles City Council met in regular session on March 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Miles City Hall, opening with a public hearing on the 2015-2016 budget. Council members present were: Jesse Speer, Tim Volquardsen, Dale Cassaday, and Kristi Melvin. Mayor Mike Portz presided.

Mayor Portz opened the public hearing for the purpose of citizens' comments on the proposed 2015-2016 budget. There being no citizens present or any verbal or written opposition, a motion on the floor by Volquardsen and seconded by Speer to close the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Delegates:

1. Ben Clausen – Eagle Scout Project
2. Sean Quillan – trespassing
3. Associated Insurance – ICAP insurance renewal

Motion by Speer and seconded by Volquardsen to dispense with reading of the minutes. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Volquardsen and seconded by Melvin to approve the agenda, with one addition. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Councilmember Machande entered the meeting.

The police report was presented. There were 29 calls during February. Cars are being ticketed to allow for snow plowing. The police department will be starting a new computer system. Motion by Melvin and seconded by Speer to approve police report. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Speer to approve the Finance Report. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Speer to approve all bills. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mayor's report: 1) Jackson County Tourism Minutes, Director's Report, Agenda. 2) Jackson County Municipal League, Crime Stoppers, & Joint Emergency Commission Meeting. 3) ECIA Training. 4) DOT Seal Project. 5) Estimated increase in State Road Funding.

ECIA and Jackson County have entered into an agreement to conduct a Housing Needs Assessment. The City of Miles share will be determined at a later date.

Building and maintenance concerns. 1) The City of Miles has been notified of a water testing monitoring violation. A new test for xylenes is now being required. 2) The pump at the sewer treatment plant is shutting down due to a fluctuation in current. Trenkamp's has been contacted to find the cause.

Clerks' Report: 1) The benches for the park have been ordered, and should be delivered in March. 2) There is a Data Tech meeting in Waverly April 29. 3) Sue and Terry are working on the Sign Replacement Program grant.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Cassaday to enter into an Agreement for Engineering Services with IIW for Wastewater Treatment Facilities Improvements, Construction and Inspection. Motion carried by roll: Cassaday aye, Machande aye, Speer aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

An ad will be placed for a part-time maintenance employee. All applications are due April 1, 2015

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Speer to approve Resolution 708 – Budget for 2015-2016. Motion carried by roll: Cassaday aye, Machande aye, Speer aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

The newsletter for April was discussed. The dumpster will be at the City Shed from May 1-8, water mains will be flushed May 6 and 7. The newsletter will be mailed with the April bills.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Volquardsen to approve the Miles Coop Telephone company using the City of Miles logo on their web page. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Speer and seconded by Cassaday to accept the resignation of Ron Holdgrafer as of June 15. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A resident was concerned with the grass that was disturbed by snow plowing. The location will be looked at in the spring.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Speer to set the Public Hearing for April 8 for Ordinance 15-1, An Ordinance amending the water, refuse collection and sewer rent rates. Motion carried by roll: Cassaday aye, Machande aye, Speer aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Speer to change the Miles City Council meeting to April 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Speer and seconded by Cassaday to approve Resolution 709 – Sign Replacement Program for Cities – 2015. Motion carried by roll: Cassaday aye, Machande aye, Speer aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Speer to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays. Next meeting April 8.

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Bills as listed:			
Preston Times (publications)	\$ 262.13	Matt Parrott (receipt books)	\$ 126.78
Clinton National Bank (water tower loan)	\$ 1,679.60	Till's (wiper arm)	\$ 57.06
Black Hills Energy (gas)	\$ 494.34	ECIA (sewer improve)	\$ 967.64
Test America (water & sewer testing)	\$ 310.80	City of Preston (police)	\$ 2,422.41
MasterCard (envelopes, tools)	\$ 537.57	City FICA	\$ 416.90
Miles Telephone (phone and internet)	\$ 105.41	John L Franks (lumber, supplies)	\$ 18.61
Hawkins (chemicals)	\$ 300.57	February salaries (actual)	\$ 5,449.75
Terry Behn (cell phone)	\$ 10.00	City IPERS	\$ 486.66
Alliant Energy (electric)	\$ 2,351.91	AgVantage (gas, DF)	\$ 262.41
IAMU (dues)	\$ 437.63	Terry Behn (mileage)	\$ 22.60
Kunau (oil, hose)	\$ 241.89	USA BlueBook (thermometer, dippers)	\$ 338.88
ACCO (scale)	\$ 445.90	Schoenthaler, Bartelt, Kahler & Reicks (\$ 282.50
Utility Equipment (parts)	\$ 147.69	Office of Auditor (exam)	\$ 900.00
Miles Post Office (stamps)	\$ 34.00	Quill (office, cleaning, sewer supplies)	\$ 114.43
Maquoket Library (card)	\$ 35.00	IAMU (meeting)	\$ 80.00
Jim Bruhn (snow removal)	\$ 105.00	Keeney Welding (sewer mounting plate)	\$ 162.50
Allied Waste (garbage)	\$ 2,979.98		
Total	\$ 22,588.55		

February 2015

	Receipts:	Disbursements:
General Fund	834.16	6,313.68
RUT	2,508.17	805.80
RUT 28E	-0-	947.35
Sewer	6,744.19	3,809.72
Water	7,128.50	3,798.36
Garbage	6,301.44	3,696.00
Cemetery ME	-0-	149.24
Econ. Development	3,018.09	-0-
Revolving Loan	156.00	-0-
Cemetery Spec.	-0-	-0-
Perpetual Care	-0-	-0-
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