

MILES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Miles City Hall
February 4, 2015
7:00 P.M.

Miles City Council met in regular session on February 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Miles City Hall. Council members present were: Jennifer Machande, Dale Cassaday, and Kristi Melvin. Mayor Mike Portz presided.

Delegates:

1. DNR (Brett Meyers, Amber Sauser), IIW (Jim Bousley, Michelle Carr), ECIA (Mark Schneider)
2. Savannah Lippens – Park Restoration
3. Heidi Lippens – Ball Diamond
4. Ernest Schulz – Threshers

A discussion with the DRN & IIW on the April 1, 2015 deadline for final plans and specifications for the Sewer Project. IIW and Machande will compose a progress report for the DNR explaining our progress on obtaining land, completing the land geotechnical testing, and the development of a design.

Savannah Lippens will be having a fund raiser March 28 at The Legion, from 4-7 p.m. The funds will be used to purchase benches for the park.

Heidi Lippens explained the Miles Little League has money to put toward building a ball diamond.

Ernie Schulz said Threshers is July 11, 12, 13, 2015. There will be 4 mud runs (May 16, September 12, October 10, and TBA), and a tractor pull (TBA). The Threshers grounds are available for rent.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Cassaday to dispense with reading of the minutes. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Machande to approve the agenda, with one addition. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays.

The police report was presented. There were 38 calls during January. Cars are being ticketed to allow for snow plowing. Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to approve police report. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to approve the Finance Report. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Cassaday to approve all bills. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Mayor's report: 1) Waste Authority of Jackson County Minutes. 2) ICAP yearly credit.

Building and maintenance concerns. 1) Terry has completed classes at Kirkwood. The paperwork is being completed to take the tests. 2) Snow removal.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to approve the TOMRV Bike ride June 13, with a stop at Miles City Park. Motion approved, 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Melvin to go to closed session at 8:00 p.m., per Iowa Code, Section 21.5(1)(c), and Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(j) To discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation, with all councilmembers voting aye. The Council reconvened in Open Session at 8:15, with Mayor Portz and all councilmembers present, on motion of Melvin and seconded by Cassaday. Motion carried by roll: Machande aye, Melvin aye, Cassaday aye.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Cassaday to proceed according to closed session discussion. Motion carried by roll: Machande aye, Melvin aye, Cassaday aye.

Utility rates were discussed. Sue will contact ECIA to write the new ordinance, and the rates will take effect July 1, 2015.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Cassaday to approve building permit for Volquardsen. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays.

A Public Hearing will be held Wednesday, March 7, at 7:00 p.m. for the proposed Budget for 2015-2016.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Machande to purchase 4 benches for City Park, with 2 benches being paid with fundraising by Savannah Lippens. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Cassaday to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 0 nays. Next meeting March 4.

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Bills as listed:			
Preston Times (publications)	\$ 121.33	IIW (sewer project)	\$ 950.00
Clinton National Bank (water tower loan)	\$ 1,679.60	Trenkamp Electric (sewer motors)	\$ 156.95
Black Hills Energy (gas)	\$ 430.54	ECIA (sewer improve)	\$ 475.76
Test America (water & sewer testing)	\$ 352.80	City of Preston (police)	\$ 2,422.41
MasterCard (i-drive backup)	\$ 49.50	City FICA	\$ 414.59
Miles Telephone (phone and internet)	\$ 105.84	John L Franks (lumber, supplies)	\$ 229.56
Iowa One Call (calls)	\$ 4.50	January salaries (actual)	\$ 5,419.38
Terry Behn (cell phone)	\$ 10.00	City IPERS	\$ 433.94
Alliant Energy (electric)	\$ 2,448.10	AgVantage (gas, DF)	\$ 226.47
Miles Mini Mart (gas)	\$ 27.00	Terry Behn (mileage, meals)	\$ 248.86
Allied Waste (garbage)	\$ 3,034.98		
Total	\$ 19,242.11		

January 2015

	Receipts:	Disbursements:
General Fund	1,151.58	7,353.16
RUT	2,569.30	1,940.64
RUT 28E	-0-	1,903.15
Sewer	4,684.46	7,361.00
Water	4,914.91	4,365.92
Garbage	3,933.65	5,567.24
Cemetery ME	625.00	306.63
Econ. Development	3,068.50	-0-
Revolving Loan	156.00	-0-
Cemetery Spec.	12.60	-0-
Perpetual Care	-0-	-0-
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