

MILES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Miles City Hall

April 2, 2014

7:00 P.M.

Miles City Council met in regular session on April 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Miles City Hall, opening with a public hearing on Ordinance Number 14-1, amending the utility rates. Council members present were: Brandon Hansen, Jennifer Machande, Kristie Melvin, and Tim Volquardsen. Mayor Mike Portz presided. Delegates present: Nicole Schueller, Allied Waste; Michelle Carr, IIW; Norm Nielsen, Associated Insurance; and Stacy Sandholdt, Easton Valley Athletic Boosters.

Mayor Portz opened the public hearing for the purpose of citizens comments on Ordinance Number 14-1, amending the utility rates. There being no citizens present or any verbal or written opposition, a motion on the floor by Machande and seconded by Hansen to close the public hearing. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Delegates: Nicole Schueller of Allied Waste presented a plaque for recycling recognition. The City of Miles increased their recycling from 32 to 45 tons during 2013.

Norm Nielsen of Associated Insurance presented the city insurance renewal. The premium for 2014-2015 should decrease slightly.

Stacy Sandholdt of Easton Valley Athletic Boosters requested a donation for the May 3 fundraiser.

Michelle Carr of IIW Engineering gave an update on the progress for the sewer plant proposal.

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

Motion by Machande and seconded by Volquardsen to approve the agenda, with 1 addition. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

The police report was presented. There were 35 contacts made during March. Citizens need to report any and all illegal activity to the police. Motion to approve police report by Hansen, seconded by Melvin. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Volquardsen and seconded by Hansen to approve the Finance Report. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Machande to approve all bills. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Mayor's report: 1) Jackson County Municipal League, Crime Stoppers & Joint Emergency Commission Minutes. 2) Jackson County Waste Authority Minutes. 3) Jackson County Area Tourism Assoc. Minutes. 4) Safe deposit box fee waived. 5) Alliant Energy tree trimming. 6) Iowa Rural Water Annual Report.

Building and maintenance concerns. 1) The pump in the well house at the park needs checking. Motion by Melvin and seconded by Machande to have Troy call for service. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays. 2) There is only 1 working trimmer. Troy will get estimates for a new trimmer. 3) Troy and Ron will attend the Consumer Confidence Report Workshop in North Liberty on April 17.

Clerks Report: 1) Sue will be taking a vacation day May 2. 2) The Perpetual Care audit was completed.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Volquardsen to pass 1st reading of Ordinance 14-1, Utility Rate Increases. Motion carried by roll: Hansen aye, Machande aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye. Motion carried.

Parking on Wilson Street was discussed.

The four applications for the summer maintenance position were discussed. The applicants will be contacted.

Motion by Volquardsen and seconded by Hansen to approve a building permit for Derek Johnson at 140 Frahm Court. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

A closed session will be planned with the lawyer.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Hansen to donate to Easton Valley Athletic Boosters. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Volquardsen to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Next meeting May 7.

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Bills as listed:			
Preston Times (publications)	\$ 154.60	Dorsey & Whitnety (legal)	\$ 2,533.50
Clinton National Bank (water tower loan)	\$ 1,740.23	ECIA (ordinance)	\$ 112.50
Black Hills Energy (gas)	\$ 448.42	IAMU (workshop)	\$ 80.00
Test America (water & sewer testing)	\$ 397.42	City of Preston (police)	\$ 2,351.85
Waste Authority (quarterly assessment)	\$ 1,729.94	City FICA	\$ 598.53
Miles Telephone (phone and internet)	\$ 99.55	IAMU (dues)	\$ 417.03
MasterCard (cleaning supplies & mailing)	\$ 59.54	Matt Parrott (register & receipt)	\$ 147.81
Troy Alderman (cell phone)	\$ 10.00	City IPERS	\$ 698.66
Alliant Energy (electric)	\$ 2,776.06	Preston Hardware (charcoal, salt)	\$ 74.63
Allied Waste (garbage)	\$ 2,813.54	March salaries (actual)	\$ 7,823.75
AgVantage (gas, DF)	\$ 237.00	Sue Papke (milage)	\$ 24.86
Midwest Bus Prod (copies)	\$ 53.80	Boss Office (labels)	\$ 12.99
Miles Post Office (box fee)	\$ 86.00	John L Franks (hooks)	\$ 3.78
Trenkamp Electric (new circuit)	\$ 246.13	State of Iowa (sales tax)	\$ 1,257.00
Total	\$ 26,989.12		

	Receipts:	Disbursements:
General Fund	2,991.77	6,237.08
RUT	2,683.48	1,475.02
RUT 28E	4,003.75	1,596.46
Sewer	4,684.94	3,608.27
Water	5,066.64	6,535.92
Garbage	3,679.29	4,136.15
Cemetery ME	350.00	483.93
Econ. Development	2,569.86	900.00
Revolving Loan	156.00	-0-
Cemetery Spec.	-0-	-0-
Perpetual Care	-0-	-0-
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Totals	26,185.73	24,972.83