

MILES CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 6, 2013
7:00 P.M.

Miles City Council met in regular session on November 6, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., opening with a public hearing for comments on the City's Community Development Block Grant application to make improvements to its wastewater system. Council members present were: Jennifer Machande, Brandon Hansen, Wayne Daniels, and Tim Volquardsen. Mayor Mike Portz presided.

Mayor Portz opened the public hearing to solicit comments on the City's proposed application for a Community Development Block Grant to the Iowa Economic Development Authority at 7:00 PM.. The Council discussed the need to upgrade the City's wastewater system. The application will be submitted to IEDA no later than November 13, 2013. The proposed improvements will be in the amount of \$1,053,000 including construction, engineering, and administrative fees. The City pledges local effort to the project in the amount of \$753,000 including the SRF application initiation fee. The total amount of CDBG Funds requested will be \$300,000. 58.26% percent of the funds will benefit low-to-moderate income persons residing in the City of Miles. By design, no displacement will occur. If displacement is necessary, the City will comply fully with the Uniform Relocation Act and Section 104(d). Mayor Portz closed the public hearing at 7:10 PM with no negative comments from citizens present and no objections on file.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Volquardsen to approve the minutes with the correction of adding Wayne Daniels as present. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Volquardsen to approve the agenda, with 4 additions. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

The police report was presented. There were 35 contacts made during October. Motion to approve police report by Machande, seconded by Hansen. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

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

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

Mayor's report: 1) Municipal Leadership Academy. 2) Jackson County Tourism Minutes. 3) Mediacom changes. 4) IDOT resurfacing. 5) Nomination papers – IRWA. 6) ICAP changes. 7) Jackson County Waste Authority Minutes. 8) IIW Progress letter. 9) Preston garbage collection. 10) IDOT advertising signage.

The Economic Development Committee has scheduled a meeting for December 10 at 7:00 p.m.. The Halloween Party was a success. There were 110 participants, and the donations and volunteers was very helpful.

The Streets and Alley Committee discussed the drainage ditch on Adam Avenue. Several Council members will meet November 7 at 6:30 a.m. to evaluate the steps needed to solve this problem.

Councilmember Melvin entered the meeting.

The building at 431 Ferry Road was discussed. A group of volunteers will meet November 9 to clean-up the site. Motion by Volquardsen and seconded by Hansen to pay the transfer station bills to remove the debris. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

There has been a problem with cars not stopping at the stop signs on Wilson Street. The police will increase their presence. Discussion will be held on installing lights on the stop signs.

Building and maintenance concerns. 1) The shop door has been fixed. 2) The City will contact Todd's Auto and Oly's Garage for maintenance issues. 3) The heater in the shed office is not working. Troy will contact Bernie's for repair.

Clerks Report: 1) Sue will attend the East Central Iowa Clerk's Association (ECICA) in Dubuque on November 21. 2) There is the potential for increased sewer rates when the sewer project gets underway. This will be included in the CDBG Grant. 3) The City of Miles has been approved for a Planning and Design loan for the amount not to exceed \$120,000 for improvements to the sanitary sewer system. A bond counsel has been contacted to provide legal advice and documentation with respect to the authorization and issuance of a Planning and Design Loan and long-term financing for the Project.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to approve hiring Dorsey and Whitney LLP as bond counsel in connection with construction of the new Municipal Sanitary Sewer System to be financed through the State Revolving Fund. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Volquardsen to approve Resolution 689, setting the equal opportunity policy. Motion carried by roll: Hansen aye, Machande aye, Daniels aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Daniels to approve Resolution 692, setting a date of December 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. for a public hearing on a Sewer Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement. Motion carried by roll: Hansen aye, Machande aye, Daniels aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Motion by Volquardsen and seconded by Machande to approve Resolution 690, confirming the City's desire to apply for CDBG funds, pledging \$753,000 in Local Effort toward the project and granting authority to Mayor to sign applications for the CDBG funds. Motion carried by roll: Hansen aye, Machande aye, Daniels aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Hansen to approve Resolution 691, adopting and approving Tax Compliance Procedures relating to Tax-Exempt Bonds. Motion carried by roll: Hansen aye, Machande aye, Daniels aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Machande to approve 2nd reading of Ordinance 13-3, building permit fee cost. Motion carried by roll: Hansen aye, Machande aye, Daniels aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Volquardsen to approve 2nd reading of Ordinance 13-3, repealing alley one-way. Motion carried by roll: Hansen aye, Machande aye, Daniels aye, Volquardsen aye, Melvin aye.

Discussion was held on the properties the City owns at Threshers and Hansen Addition. The new sewer system will help with the development of Hansen Addition. Jackson County Economic Alliance should be able to help with the development.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Volquardsen to approve building permit for Johnson. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Melvin to approve building permit for AgVantage. Approval will also be needed by IDNR. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Hansen and seconded by Machande to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Next meeting December 4, when the newly elected Council and Mayor will take the oath of office.

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Bills as listed:			
Preston Times (publications)	\$ 146.85	Utility Equipment Co (wrench)	\$ 60.92
Clinton National Bank (water tower loan)	\$ 1,740.23	Bruhn Plumbing (graves, winterize park)	\$ 151.00
Black Hills Energy (gas)	\$ 127.74	MasterCard (fish, cleaning supplies)	\$ 54.95
Test America (water & sewer testing)	\$ 675.15	City of Preston (police)	\$ 2,351.85
John L. Franks (signs, door)	\$ 65.86	City FICA	\$ 404.82
Miles Telephone (phone and internet)	\$ 102.08	USA Bluebook (gloves)	\$ 22.51
Preston Hrdw (fuel stabilizer)	\$ 5.45	Sue Papke (mileage)	\$ 52.55
Troy Alderman (cell phone)	\$ 10.00	City IPERS	\$ 472.57
Alliant Energy (electric)	\$ 2,940.51	Miles Post Office (postage)	\$ 42.20
Allied Waste (garbage)	\$ 3,207.18	Oct salaries (actual)	\$ 5,291.88
AgVantage (gas, DF)	\$ 289.47	Boss Office (paper)	\$ 115.63
Maquoketa Public Library (card)	\$ 35.00	ECIA (clerk's meeting)	\$ 12.00
Data Technologies (license and support)	\$ 2,754.86	Badricks (parts)	\$ 453.42
Total	\$ 21,586.68		

October 2013

	Receipts:	Disbursements:
General Fund	21,456.45	6,286.10
RUT	3,027.03	2,228.04
RUT 28E	-0-	-0-
Sewer	6,156.89	3,872.88
Water	6,005.12	6,320.85
Garbage	5,489.51	5,118.61
Cemetery ME	839.48	456.49
Ec. Development	2,829.20	-0-
Revolving Loan	160.00	-0-
Cemetery Spec.	150.60	-0-
Perpetual Care	240.00	-0-
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Totals	46,354.28	24,282.97