

MILES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 6, 2013

7:00 P.M.

Miles City Council met in regular session on March 6, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., opening with a public hearing on the 2013-2014 budget. Council members present were: Jennifer Machande, Kristi Melvin, Wayne Daniels, and Tim Volquardsen. Mayor Mike Portz presided. Guest: Norman Nielsen, Associated Insurance Counselors, Inc., Earl Cherry, RCS Computers.

Mayor Portz opened the public hearing for the purpose of citizens comments on the proposed 2013-2014 budget. There being no citizens present or any verbal or written opposition, a motion on the floor by Machande and seconded by Melvin to close the public hearing. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Regular session opened at 7:10 p.m.

Norman Nielsen of Associated Insurance Counselors, Inc., was present to explain the insurance policy for 2013-2014.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Volquardsen to approve the minutes. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to approve the agenda, with 2 additions. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Earl Cherry of RCS Computers was present to discuss the web site. He presented a sample new site, that would be compatible with all computer types, tablets, and smart phones. The site would be available for billing, and could be maintained in house.

The police were present. There were 16 contacts during February. Motion by Melvin and seconded by Volquardsen to approve the police report. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

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

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

Mayor's report: 1) ECIA newsletter. 2) IIW update. Sue and Troy will meet with them March 7. 3) Waste Authority of Jackson County minutes. 4) The Iowa League of Cities is having City Finance meetings across the state for elected offices. 7) There have been 2 civil and municipal engineering firms contact the city.

An Economic Development meeting has been scheduled for March 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. The committee will work on rules and regulations for the campgrounds. They hope to have 4-6 sites available by May 1. A fee of \$10 is being proposed. The Jackson County Economic Board has been established. Motion by Melvin and seconded by Volquardsen to contribute \$1,000 a year for 5 years, with Jennifer Machande sitting on the board. Motion carried 3 ayes, 1 abstention.

The City has received a proposal from Municipal Street Improvement, Inc. for repair of the streets. Volquardsen and Daniels will inspect the streets when the snow is gone.

Troy Alderman was present to discuss building and maintenance concerns. The light at Luett Road is still not working. A report will be made again to Alliant Energy. Troy and Ron will attend the Consumer Confidence Workshop April 12 in North Liberty.

The Easton Valley School Board would like to possibly use Miles City Hall on March 21 from 6-8 for voting on the new school colors and mascot.

The council reviewed a possible change to the working on the ordinance on traffic codes. The discussion was tabled until the April meeting, where the current ordinance and recommended changes will be compared.

Motion by Volquardsen and seconded by Machande to make a donation to the YWCA for domestic violence and sexual assault of \$500. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Machande to pass Resolution 673 – approving the 2013-2014 Budget. Motion carried by roll: Volquardsen aye, Machande aye, Melvin aye, Daniels aye.

Threshers have requested to change the parade route from Ferry Road to Washington Street, to keep Ferry Road open during the parade. After discussion with council and police, the request was declined for safety reasons, and the parade will need to continue on Ferry Road. Motion by Melvin and seconded by Volquardsen to keep the same parade route. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

A public hearing has been set for April 3 at 7:00 p.m. for Ordinance 13-1, Changing the wording on the setback required for corner lots.

Motion by Machande and seconded by Melvin to approve a building permit for Lisa Volquardsen at 547 Lincoln Street. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 0 nays.

The property at 220 Leutt Road has complaints with the maintenance of streets on weekends. A letter will be sent inviting him to talk to the council at the next meeting on April 3.

Motion by Melvin and seconded by Machande to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Next meeting April 3.

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Bills as listed:			
Preston Times (publications)	\$ 171.41	Anderson Phar (peroxide)	\$ 215.91
Clinton National Bank (water tower loan)	\$ 1,740.23	IAMU (workshop)	\$ 80.00
Black Hills Energy (gas)	\$ 390.15	Matt Parrott (office supplies)	\$ 146.41
Test America (water testing)	\$ 365.08	City of Preston (police)	\$ 2,283.35
John L. Franks (supplies)	\$ 4.49	City FICA	\$ 364.53
Miles Telephone (phone and internet)	\$ 96.85	Jim Bruhn (labor)	\$ 60.00
Preston Hrdw (gloves,etc)	\$ 122.42	Trenkamp Elec (lights)	\$ 355.48
Troy Alderman (cell phone)	\$ 10.00	City IPERS	\$ 413.12
Alliant Energy (electric)	\$ 2,557.43	Miles Post Office (stamps)	\$ 55.40
Allied Waste (garbage)	\$ 2,661.82	February salaries (actual)	\$ 4,765.00
AgVantage (gas, DF)	\$ 434.02	Dennis Chrest (pump)	\$ 293.50
MidWest Business Prod (copier)	\$ 63.03	Preston Ready Mix	\$ 347.10
USA BlueBook (supplies)	\$ 53.20	IAMU (dues)	\$ 400.99
Krabbenhof Library (card)	\$ 35.00		
Total	\$ 18,485.92		

February 2013

	Receipts:	Disbursements:
General Fund	7,379.15	5,146.87
RUT	2,384.91	758.22
RUT 28E	-0-	1,087.89
Sewer	6,316.79	3,462.46
Water	6,880.50	4,017.66
Garbage	5,635.52	3,253.29
Cemetery ME	16.39	260.54
Ec. Development	2,838.67	-0-
Revolving Loan	-0-	-0-
Cemetery Spec.	-0-	-0-
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Totals	31,451.93	17,986.93