

Miles Regular Council Meeting
Miles City Hall
March 1, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Miles City Council met in regular session on March 1, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Miles City Hall. PRESENT: N. Corlis, D. Chrest, N. Abernathy, M. Leamy. R. Lawrence arrived at 6:08 p.m. Mayor Daniel Ernst presided.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Council member N. Corlis made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, it was seconded by council member M. Leamy. Motion carried. Ayes 4, Nays 0.

GUESTS: Larry Hand, Dave Sievers, Paul Maze, and Chief Miller.

CONSENT AGENDA - Council member D. Chrest made a motion to approve the consent agenda, including the minutes of the previous meeting, paid, unpaid, financial statements, water, sewer, maintenance, and police reports, it was seconded by council member N. Corlis. Motion carried. Ayes 4, Nays 0.

Council member R. Lawrence entered the meeting at 6: 08 p.m.

MAINTENANCE REPORT - Paul informed the council that most of the playground equipment has been removed.

Dave Sievers presented a building permit requesting the council to consider granting him a variance for new garage behind his house since the setbacks don't meet the requirements. Dave informed the council he has contacted Alliant Energy as well. Council member N. Corlis questioned the height of the walls. Dave provided that the walls will be 8'. Council member N. Abernathy made a motion to approve an variance for Dave Sievers building permit, council member N. Corlis seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Larry Hand, with Associated Insurance Counselors presented the ICAP Annual Renewal insurance for the City of Miles. Larry explained based on 10% inflation, over all rates increased this year. Larry also stated camera's, grasshopper mower, and the lease of the copier were added. None of the members will receive a credit again this year. Larry stated the insurance renewal includes the builder's risk for the new lagoon which is the reason for increase in the premium. Larry suggested once the project is completed, let him know so he can adjust the insurance cost. Council member R. Lawrence made a motion to approve ICAP Annual Renewal for the City of Miles, council member N. Abernathy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Clerk provided a new property tax levy. This was because the governor signed Senate File 181, to fix the Iowa Legislator's error in calculating the rollback on residential property. The correction means the auditor office will have to revise the valuations downward by 1.8418% on residential property and it has affected TIF valuations as well. Brenda explained to meet all the budget requirements the city will need to hold a public hearing. Council member N. Corlis made a motion to approve the public hearing on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., council member N. Abernathy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Council member N. Abernathy made a motion to approve the 3rd and Final Reading of Ordinance 2023-1, An Ordinance Amending Title III Community Protection Chapter 3 Traffic Code of the City of Miles of Ordinance by adding a new section 3-3-46 Calendar Parking for the City of Miles, council member D. Chrest seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Council member D. Chrest made a motion to approve Res. 2023-6, A Resolution authorizing the filing of Jackson County Rural County Transportation (RCTP) Grant application to assist with funding for several areas on several different streets in Miles, it was seconded by council member R. Lawrence. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Council member M. Leamy made a motion to approve Res. 2023-7, A Resolution 2023-7, A Resolution establishing project priorities for Rural County Transportation Program application, council member N. Corlis seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

Clerk informed the council she had a request from Miles Legion (Tom Kruse) if the council could reduce their water, sewer, garb bill due to them being a non-profit organization. Tom explained there struggling with paying their bills. Council discussed several different avenues to accomplish his request. Brenda also informed the council after reviewing Speer Financial rate analysis there will be increase in November. She also discussed with the council discontinuing customers that are billed every six months. Some of these matter will be addressed in the upcoming meetings.

Brenda was notified by the Threshers committee member if the city is still wanting to sponsoring “Fireworks” for Thresher Days. Council member M. Leamy inquired if funds were available. Brenda stated from Economic Development. Council member D. Chrest made a motion to sponsor the “Fireworks” for Thresher Days (up to \$1000.00), council member M. Leamy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Also, the fire chief, Paul Maze requested Thresher committee notify the Fire Department on any permits for the Fireworks.

Mayor Ernst announced the next special meeting will be held Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Next regular council meeting will be held Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT - Council member N. Corlis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m., seconded by council member M. Leamy. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Nays 0.

MARCH 2023 EXPENDITURES		
VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER AGREEMENT	150.12
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC UTILITY	214.29
BERNIES HEATING & COOLING	FURNACE/SHED	80
BLACKHILLS ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	742.66
CITY OF PRESTON	POLICE PROTECTION	2,624.44
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAXES	720.97
IPERS	IPERS	460.02
JESSE'S AUTOMOTIVE & MINI	FUEL/TIRE REPAIR	259.58
KEENEY WELDING	4'-1/8 X 2 FLAT	6.56
MASTER CARD	GOLF CART STICKERS-POSTAGE	343.16
PRESTON TIMES	MINUTES/EXPENDITURES	159.98
REPUBLIC SERVICES #897	2 MONTHS GARBAGE SERVICE	9,044.30
TREASURER OF STATE	STATE TAX	69.12
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	2864.14
GENERAL FUND TOTAL		17739.34
ROAD USE FUND		
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC UTILITY	563.72
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	360.63
IPERS	IPERS	216.32
JESSE'S AUTOMOTIVE & MINI	FUEL/TIRE REPAIR	204.82
PRESTON READY MIX	SELF HAULED OPEN PILE	18.69

TREASURER OF STATE	STATE TAX	30.88
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	1493.63
ROAD USE TOTAL		2888.69
28E RUT		
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC UTILITY	563.72
28E RUT TOTAL		563.72
DEBT SERVICE		
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	PRIN/INTEREST	1,679.60
DEBT SERVICE TOTAL		1,679.60
WATER FUND		
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER AGREEMENT	75.07
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC UTILITY	708.9
BLACKHILLS ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	69.42
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAXES	338.57
HAWKINS, INC.	AZONE	347.17
IPERS	IPERS	248.02
MASTER CARD	GOLF CART STICKERS-POSTAGE	145
QCANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	IC NITRATE	71
TREASURER OF STATE	WATER EXCISE TAX	462.8
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	1246.41
WATER FUND TOTAL		3712.36
SEWER FUND		
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER AGREEMENT	75.07
ALLIANT ENERGY	ELECTRIC UTILITY	1,227.99
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAXES	290.21
EASTERN IOWA PLUMBING & H	DUG UP SEWER - 36 HILLCREST	2,811.49
IPERS	IPERS	211.98
LARRY JOHNSON	MILEAGE SEWER SAMPLE	62.32
MASTER CARD	GOLF CART STICKERS-POSTAGE	145
QCANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	WASTEWATER BOD	551.22
TREASURER OF STATE	STATE TAXES	31.5
JCLL ENTERPRISES	WASTE WATER OPERATION	1,000.00
ORIGIN DESIGN	WASTEWATER TREAT. FACILITY	6,506.25
SCHOENTHLER,BARTELT,KAHLER & R	SEWER PROJECT	122.5
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	1067.41
SEWER FUND TOTAL		14102.94
CEMETERY-MUN ENTERPRISE		
CLINTON NATIONAL BANK	FED/FICA TAX	7.82
JERRY'S PLUMBING	HOLDGRAFER & KOCH GRAVE OPEN	400
TREASURER OF STATE	STATE TAX	0.12
EMPLOYEES	SALARIES	46.63
CEMETERY MUN EN. TOTAL		454.57
Accounts Payable Total		41,141.22

FEBRUARY REVENUES		
GENERAL FUND		9356.53
RUT		3047.6
ECON. DEVELOPMENT		2452.56
WATER FUND		8002.7
SEWER FUND		34764.33
CUSTOMER DEPOSITS		200
CEMETERY-MUN ENTER.		1100
TOTAL REVENUES		58923.72