

CITY OF MILFORD
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2005
MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Milford, Nebraska was held at the Webermeier Community Room in said City on the 1st day of November 2005 at 7:30 pm. Present were: Mayor J. Elaine Plessel; Council members: Dean Bruha, Rick Fortune, Terry Good, Lyle Neal; Attorney Robert Blevens; Chief of Police Forrest Siebken, City Clerk Jeanne Hoggins. Also present: Wayne Stohlman, Mark Frey and Nancy McGill with the press.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publishing in the Milford Times; a designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Plessel called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Neal and seconded by Bruha to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2005 meeting. Roll call vote: Neal yes, Bruha yes, Fortune yes, Good yes. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: A motion was made by Bruha and seconded by Neal that the following bills in the amount of \$457,418.57 approved by the Auditing Committee be approved for payment. Roll call vote: Bruha yes, Neal yes, Fortune yes, Good yes. Motion carried.

SALARIES:

41256	Joyce Elaine Plessel	184.70
41257	Ricky Gene Fortune	138.52
41258	Dean Alan Bruha	138.52
41259	Emerson L. Neal	138.52
41260	Terry David Good	138.52
41328	Mark Frey	1257.07
41329	Forrest K Siebken	1211.73
41330	Mavis Lynn Ferris	28.86
41331	Jeanne M Hoggins	1179.40
41332	Gary Lee TeSelle	843.67
41333	Scott Dean Fosler	1193.59

41334	Robert L Hull	786.98
41335	Beverly J Wehrs	513.11
41336	Edna A Riedl	398.19
41337	David R Dahle	889.78
41338	Louis J Bialas	881.71
41339	Arlene F Sieck	297.88
41340	Marcus A Siebken	149.73
41341	Bryce C Johnson	801.98
41342	Philip Winkelmann	824.18
41343	Regan Beranek	20.27
41344	George A Matzen	227.01
41345	Joshua S Wiley	111.19
41346	Tracy L Yeackley	600.10
41399	Mark Frey	1297.47
41400	Forrest K Siebken	1211.73
41401	Mavis Lynn Ferris	34.63
41402	Jeanne M Hoggins	1195.35
41403	Gary Lee TeSelle	1002.40
41404	Scott Dean Fosler	955.54
41405	Robert L Hull	794.25
41406	Beverly J Wehrs	452.70
41407	Edna A Riedl	385.69
41408	David R Dahle	909.93
41409	Louis J Bialas	866.46
41410	Arlene F Sieck	303.81
41411	Bryce C Johnson	846.30
41412	Philip Winkelmann	838.93
41413	George A Matzen	257.60
41414	Joshua S Wiley	129.29
41415	Tracy L Yeackley	609.69
41417	Joyce Elaine Plessel	184.70
41418	Ricky Fortune	138.52
41419	Dean Alan Bruha	138.52
41420	Emerson L Neal	138.52
41421	David Terry Good	138.52
GENERAL FUND:		
41325	Ed M Feld – 3000 Gallon Pumper	139198.00
41326	US Postmaster – UB Postage	140.61
41327	Pierce Manufacturing – QRT Vehicle	193605.00
41347	Ameritas – Pension	1474.62
41348	Ameritas Life Ins – Annual Administrative Service	1100.00
41349	Alltel – Directory Ad; Local; Internet; Pay Phone	482.05

41350	Alltel-Long Distance – Service for September	3.00
41351	Arrakis Publishing – Support & Upgrade	295.00
41352	Aramark – Pants & Rags	243.71
41353	Atco International – Ice-Go Pallets	390.00
41354	Butch’s Welding – Labor to Move Bricks	145.00
41355	Centaur Enterprises – Charger, Frt, A605	120.56
41356	Concrete Works – Work on 1 st St.	9301.00
41357	Culligan Water – Soft Water	19.00
41358	Farmers Cooperative – Gas/Diesel for September; oil	2213.40
41359	D & D Communications – Equipment Repair/Main	99.00
41360	Data Technologies – ’06 License & Support Fee	2591.75
41361	Deep Rock – Drinking Water	17.89
41362	Eakes Office Plus – Folders, copy paper	280.78
41363	Garbage Co – Service for September	115.14
41364	Gene’s Electric – Materials for pump; labor	749.47
41365	Green Thumb Landscaping – Edging of Lawn	20.00
41366	Great Plains One-Call – Emergency Locates	24.83
41367	Healthplan Services – Health Insurance	6494.67
41368	Hewlett-Packard – Ink Cartridges	95.00
41369	Hydraulic Equip – Restocking Fee & Frt.	96.70
41370	Jack’s Uniform – Motor for Light Bar Lens	51.69
41371	Milford A/C & Appliance – Service Furnace	64.95
41372	Milford Times – Minutes, notices, ads	753.45
41373	Municipal Supply – Couplings, Bolts, Frt.	116.14
41374	Mutual of Omaha Companies – Disability	79.33
41375	National Casualty – Premium Statement	737.08
41376	Ne Dept. of Revenue – Sales Tax for Sept.	1962.37
41377	NE Motor Parts – Switch, Light, Bulbs	42.54
41378	NPPD – Service for September	5973.87
41379	NE Tech & Telecomm – Service for September	426.89
41380	Newman Signs – Street Signs	270.85
41381	O’Keefe Elevator – Elevator Inspection	855.79
41382	OMB Police Supply – Coat for 44	199.99
41383	Aquila – Service for September	156.05
41384	Pizza Kitchen – Meals for 15 th	142.00
41385	POAN – Conference Registration; Membership Dues	130.00
41386	RI Tec Ind. – Asphalt Patch	405.23
41387	Roxanne Roth – Cleaning Services	250.00
41388	Mrs. Wayne Roth – Birthday Cake	18.00
41389	Schlegel’s Store – Groceries; milk; battery	42.77
41390	Seward Co. Ind. – 1 yr subscription	35.00
41391	SPPD – Wells 1 & 2	645.11

41392	Seward Co Communications – Radio Comm. Fees	15093.00
41393	Sunrise Country Manor – September meals	1080.00
41394	John Ahl – Dryer, Broom handle	121.40
41395	Mike Gullickson – Refund	11.05
41396	Audrun Siebert – Refund	4.12
41397	Treasury Abounding – Napkins	45.50
41398	Hockenbergs Lincoln – Sneezeguard	185.00
41416	Ameritas Life Ins. – Pension	1474.62
41422	AFLAC – Dis, Cancer, Acc. Suppl	306.96
41423	Ameritas Life Ins. – Dental & Vision	821.76
41424	Barco Municipal – Metal Locator, Case, Frt	726.26
41425	Blevens Law Office – Legal Service for Oct	350.00
41426	Bound to Stay Bound – Books	454.12
41427	City of Milford – Postage, Title & Tire Tax	42.51
41428	Christian Book Dist. – 10 Books	148.93
41429	Consumer Reports – Subscription	26.00
41430	Crafts ‘N Things – Subscription	36.97
41431	Ed M Feld – Cam & Groove Adapter	86.00
41432	Eltas Direct – Rack Mount, Power Strip	62.09
41433	EMP – Cold Packs, Gloves, Cot Sheets	478.90
41434	Fort Dearborn Life Ins. – Life Insurance	103.20
41435	Heartsong Presents – Books	21.98
41436	Heartland Autobody – Polish ’04	94.00
41437	Highsmith Inc. – Book	12.95
41438	Ingram Library Service – Books	424.96
41439	League of Municipalities – Membership Dues	75.00
41440	Lincoln Winlectric – 9 volt batteries	61.40
41441	Milford School Dist. – Parking Fines	50.00
41442	Milford Supermarket – Batteries	10.19
41443	Milford Times – Library Clerk Ad	15.00
41444	MVP – Repair on 95	2226.77
41445	Miller-Monroe Co. – Insurance	54712.00
41446	Municipal Supply – PS-Lid	128.32
41447	Nebraska Health Laboratory – Coliform Test	30.00
41448	Poolmart – Portable Lifeguard Chair	1277.85
41449	Quill Corp – Office Supplies	206.21
41450	Racom Corp – Communication Fee for 800	906.30
41451	Regent Book Co – Books	283.33
41452	Edna Riedl – Subscriptions	58.00
41453	Roxanne Roth – Cleaning Services	320.00
41454	RAP – Matching Funds for Drug Task Force	943.00
41455	Union Bank – G. TeSelle Acct	300.00

41456	Walmart Community – Books, Red Throw for Sofa	107.90
41457	Beverly Wehrs – Food, Supplies-Paper	36.30
41458	Zep Mfg. – Sewer Aid, Temporary, Frt.	334.24
41459	Sue McClain – Fee for Victorian Christmas Program	125.00
41460	Duane Roth – Web Page design, Domain Name	324.20

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES: Written reports received were Library Board minutes from October 20, 2005; Milford Aging Services Commission minutes from October 18, 2005, Police Dept. Activity Report for October 2005. Bruha –Bill Johnson with NPPD will check the pedestals for stability to make the street light pole transfers. Street repairs are also being made on Park Ave. and Locust Streets. Neal – Todd Roth and Mark Frey are putting the final touches on the concession stand plans. Fortune informed Council of the letter received from the Game and Parks Commission in regards to finalizing transaction of ground purchase for the water tower. Blevens will submit a letter on behalf of the City and also a copy of the letter he will send to the Welch Family asking for closure on this transaction. Chief Siebken reviewed the October Police Dept. activity report noting 1154 total calls for service. A radar trailer was placed at SCC for north bound traffic due to speed changes to make people aware of their speed entering the College and City limits. Siebken felt it was a good experience and a piece of equipment with great possibilities. Stohlman will be picking up the inserts to update the LEOP book. Frey will be meeting with the company to proceed with the placement of a new test well. It is procedure for the well to be declined until further procedures are taken. Well #3 at Welch Park has had some radical changes in nitrate levels. Re-testing will be done to verify the results. Frey also reported on a situation that could have been potentially dangerous. The chipper blew up and a piece of metal flew out of the back of the machine hitting one the maintenance crew in the front of his shoulder (chest area). After taking the machine in for repair the mechanics could not explain why the teeth shredded or why the metal flew out of the back of the machine. The cost to repair the chipper will be approximately \$3,000.00. The NARSIS report for October showed 18 rescue calls. No fire calls reported for October.

COMMUNICATIONS: *Sales tax received for the month of August 2005 was \$9,356.16.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mileage Reimbursement: A motion was made by Fortune and seconded by Neal to adopt the state mileage reimbursement rate of .485 cents per mile. The City is currently paying .31 cents per mile. Roll call vote: Fortune yes, Neal yes, Bruha yes, Good yes. Motion carried.

Contract for Building Inspector: Item not ready.

New Building Discussion: Fortune asked Siebken and Hoggins to look into having the SCC students do another design study with more realistic figures. The Library's structural integrity is in question and the design should incorporate a new Library facility along with a municipal building. Fortune also mentioned looking into funding for this project. Council member Good would like someone to look at the Library and give their analysis on whether the building could or needs to be repaired or if it needs to be demolished. The growth problem at the Library has been a good problem. It was decided to have a structural engineer take a look at the Library. An estimated cost will need to be determined for the SCC students to work with. Neal quoted the College uses \$140.00 per sq. foot for commercial buildings. Fortune stated constructing a building that was as aesthetically pleasing as the City could afford. Building in the Park has raised some concern. The Kiwanis group has formed a committee to purchase some new playground equipment and a skateboard area. They are concerned if a building is placed in the park that ground can never be replaced. The Council talked about forming a committee to research different areas in town for placement of a new municipal building and needs of the community.

Hire Library Clerks & Set Wages: Good reported that Regan Beranek had moved on and the Library Board interviewed several applicants to fill the Clerk's position. With the busy schedule of High School students the Board is asking to hire 2 Library Clerk's to fill the position. A motion was made by Good and seconded by Bruha to hire Josh Wiley and Julia Wang at \$5.60 per hour with an alternative of hiring Rio Beranek at \$5.60 per hour if one of the other applicants declines the position. Roll call vote: Good yes, Bruha yes, Fortune yes, Neal yes. Motion carried.

Expansion of hours at Library: A motion was made by Good and seconded by Fortune to change the Library hours with an addition of opening on Tuesday night from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Roll call vote: Good yes, Fortune yes, Bruha yes, Neal yes. Motion carried.

Uptown Sidewalk Project: Bruha noted the following store fronts that are ready to have sidewalks replaced: Randy's Studio, Dragonfly Desserts, NAPA and the Post Office. The Post Office has accepted the bid from Concrete Works and as soon as Heath is back in town they will start this project. Bruha would like to move the handicap stall located on the north side of First Street closer to the Post Office. Chief Siebken noted regulations are to stay 20' from either side of the crosswalk. On the south side of First Street the F & M Bank is ready to proceed and the City has the rest of the sidewalk to "B" Street. This area will involve a storm sewer inlet by the Bank and a curb surface grate. Estimates are being gathered for east of "B" Street in front of Schlegel's Grocery and Oliva Audio Visual. Due to the time of year these projects are creeping into winter months. It was

suggested to complete what is possible on the north side of First Street and we may have to wait until spring for the rest.

Front Yard Vehicle Parking: Bruha presented pictures of dwellings that were utilizing their front yards for parking vehicles. Bruha wanted the Council's opinion on whether to ignore the situation or set guidelines. Other communities prohibit parking between the curb and sidewalk if there is no driveway and blocking the sidewalk while parking in a driveway is prohibited. Seward and Lincoln have ordinances in place regarding parking on property other than driveways. Bruha was asked to research other community ordinances and bring the issue back for discussion next month.

Public right of way refuse storage: Photos were viewed and discussion was held regarding individuals who place their trash out by the curb several days before trash pick-up day and it may happen that the wind would blow the trash into neighboring areas. Fortune commented that it would be a bad idea to pass an ordinance on this issue. The Chief's vigilance on the matter seems to be the best way to handle the situation. Letters will be sent to landlords asking them to provide adequate trash receptacles for the number of living units in their complex.

Award Bid – Tanker and Ambulance: Sealed bids were opened on October 28, 2005 at 3:00 pm. A motion was made by Fortune and seconded by Bruha to award the Rescue Unit to John Ahl at \$329.50 and the Tanker to John Vosta at \$1,505.00. Roll call vote: Fortune yes, Bruha yes, Good yes, Neal yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Fortune and seconded by Bruha to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Fortune yes, Bruha yes, Good yes, Neal yes. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Jeanne Hoggins, City Clerk

J. Elaine Plessel, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Milford, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on November 1, 2005 that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the

said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Jeanne Hoggins, City Clerk