

CITY OF MILFORD
SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2007
MINUTES

A special meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Milford, Nebraska was held at the City Hall Office in said City on the 22nd day of August 2007 at 5:15 pm. Present were: Mayor J. Elaine Plessel; Council members: Jeff Baker, Dean Bruha, Rick Fortune, Lyle Neal; Chief of Police Forrest Siebken and City Clerk Jeanne Hoggins.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places; a designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Certification of Posting 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 the 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 5:18 p.m. Mayor Plessel publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is available for review and is posted on the south wall of the meeting room at the City Hall Office.

Hire Receptionist and set salary: Several applications were received and Hoggins made a recommendation to re-hire Lindsey Troyer to the City Office at the receptionist position. Discussion was held regarding a starting wage and a motion was made by Bruha seconded by Baker to approve hiring Lindsey Troyer as the receptionist at an hourly rate of \$9.00. Roll call vote: Bruha yes, Baker yes, Fortune yes, Neal yes. Motion carried.

Update on 2007-2008 Budget: Hoggins presented information to the Council via Accountant Dennis Kubicek. The last 3-4 years the City of Milford has been using their cash reserve when needed instead of requesting an increase in property taxes. The City is now in the position that an increase in property tax request is needed. Some area of change in revenue over the last several years: CD interest rates decreased from 7% to 2%, but are now slowly coming back up, legislature requires motor vehicle sales tax money from the 1% sales and use tax revenues that would normally be deposited into the general account is now designated towards streets. Kubicek relayed that there is not a lot of extra padding in the current budget and the areas that were decreased by Hoggins and Mayor Plessel were not substantial amounts. The restrooms in the Uptown City Park will need outside funding if this project is going to be completed in the next couple

years. The architectural fees were also deleted from the 07-08 budget and if the ground is purchased then the City will not move forward on the building for at least a year. The Mayor and Council will receive a copy of the final figures as soon as they are presented to Hoggins.

Review Salaries: Discussion was held regarding the additional .50 given to 4 employees. In light of the information presented by the accountant the City Council decided to give all employees the 3.5% increase and eliminate the additional .50 for Bialas, Dahle, Johnson and Winkelmann. A motion was made by Fortune and seconded by Neal to adjust the recommended salaries to the straight 3.5% as presented on the salary worksheet. Roll call vote: Fortune yes, Neal yes, Baker yes, Bruha yes. Motion carried.

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

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 of August 22, 2007 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