

CITY OF MILFORD  
SPECIAL MEETING  
AUGUST 23, 2010  
MINUTES

A special meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Milford, Nebraska was held at the Webermeier Community Library in said City on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2010 at 7:00 pm. Present were: Mayor Dean A. Bruha; Council members: Jeff Baker, Jeff Heckman, Dan Kral; Attorney Robert Blevens; Chief of Police Forrest Siebken; Maintenance Supt. Mark Frey; City Clerk Jeanne Hoggins. Absent: Council member Rick Fortune. Also present: Accountant Dennis Kubicek, Fire Chief John Melena, Fire Secretary Marcy Hostetler, Rescue Chief Travis Yeackley.

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 Bruha called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Bruha 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 east wall of the meeting room at the Webermeier Community Room.

**Review 2010-2011 Budget – Dennis Kubicek:** Mr. Kubicek presented a revised spreadsheet showing the budget activity for 2010-2011. He pointed out the “net change” for each fund showing either a positive or negative cash flow to this account at the end of the fiscal year 9/30/11. He noted that the General Fund will still be deficit spending of approx. \$30,000.00. This is also based on the amount of spending for the next fiscal year. There was \$30,000.00 reduced from the Street Dept. that did not affect the cuts due to the 25% match of the Highway Allocation commitment. Dennis also noted that the sales tax could bring in more than what is budgeted. If you raise the levy to .3918 which is a .02 increase, for every .01 increased you will collect \$8247.00. This will make a difference in the general fund. This is close to a balanced budget and is a better scenario that the last 3 years. Dennis also told the Council that if they still want to transfer \$50,000.00 to a Capital Improvement Fund this would also be funded out of General. Kral suggested going up .03 to work towards the positive. Future revenues are unknown with State Aid, Municipal Equalization and Sales Tax. The

additional .03 will allow us to build our reserves. Heckman doesn't want to raise the levy. Baker doesn't like the idea of going up to .39 either. If we decide to bump it up .02 and do nothing we will not be solving the problem and we'll be in the same boat in a couple years. We need to review quarterly ways to increase revenue. We had an officer resign and we need to discuss whether or not to hire again. There are other ways to increase revenue. Baker suggested leaving the levy at .3719. Without having all the council members present they didn't feel comfortable deciding what to do. Dennis informed the council that this is the Mayor's budget and he will need to direct me accordingly. A motion was made by Baker and seconded by Heckman to advise Mayor Bruha to advise Accountant Dennis Kubicek to publish the levy notice at .3719. Roll call vote: Baker yes, Heckman yes, Fortune absent, Kral no. Further discussion will be held at the Sept. 7, 2010 meeting to finalize the levy request.

**Employee Health Insurance – HSA/FSA Guidelines:** According to Federal law a person cannot participate in both a HSA and a FSA. We have 2 employees that have FSA accounts thru their wives employment. Officer Hull has notified the City in writing that they will be dropping his wife's FSA at the end of the year to participate in the HSA. He is asking that the monthly \$167.00 contribution from the City that he would be receiving from October to December be deposited into his account in January after he opens his HSA.

Officer Corder chooses not be participating in the HSA. They will stay with his wife's FSA. Chief Siebken recommended the in the event that he chooses to open an HSA that he receive the City's contribution. The Council would like documentation from Corder as to his intentions.

**Introduction and Adoption of Resolution – Create Account #32, General Capital Improvement Sinking Fund:** Due to the information presented by Accountant Kubicek the Council did not see how they could open this account. A motion was made Heckman and seconded by Kral not to create account #32. Roll call vote: Heckman yes, Kral yes, Baker yes, Fortune absent. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Kral and seconded by Heckman to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Kral yes, Heckman yes, Baker yes, Fortune absent. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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Jeanne Hoggins, City Clerk

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Mayor Dean A. Bruha

## 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 23, 2010 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