CITY OF MILFORD SPECIAL MEETING FEBRUARY 22, 2024 MINUTES

A special meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Milford, Nebraska was held at the City Hall Building in said City on the 22nd day of February 2024 at 7:00 pm. Present were Mayor Patrick Kelley; Council members: Tony DeLong, Becky Freeman, Kelli Keib, Mike Roth, and City Clerk Jeanne Hoggins. Also present: Tim Dworak Building Inspector, Craig Bontrager and Brad Freeman.

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 the 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 public.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. and 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 west wall in the City Hall meeting room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED: A motion was made by Freeman and seconded by Keib to approve the agenda as submitted. Roll call vote: Freeman yes, Keib yes, DeLong yes, Roth yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing to hear testimony in favor of, or opposition to, and to answer questions in relation to the proposed Preliminary and Final Plat for the Main Street Market Addition, property generally located at the corner of Hwy 6 and 2nd Street.

Mayor Kelley opened the Public Hearing at 7:01 pm. Craig Bontrager provided drawings of the new building. He was appreciative of how everyone has worked with him to make this project happen. It is a big undertaking and a lot of money but this is always something his family has wanted to do. Special thanks to the City Council, Tim Dworak and Jonathan Jank.

Mayor Kelley stated this will be a great addition to the community along with updating the area along the Hwy. He appreciates the effort and hard work. We are happy to assist where we can as the government board. Kelley asked Craig about a timeline. Craig stated a perfect scenario will allow them to start around April 1st with a move-in date Thanksgiving weekend.

B.I. Tim Dworak shared the plans will need to be reviewed by staff, making sure everything meets code and the Fire Marshall is scheduled out about 2 weeks.

With no further discussion Mayor Kelley closed the public hearing at 7:13 pm.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

Consider Planning Commission recommendation for Preliminary and Final Plat for the Main Street Market Addition, property generally located at the corner of Hwy 6 and 2nd Street. Tim Dworak noted it was a unanimous recommendation to approve the plat. Subdivision Regulation Section 3.08 Replat allows for replats with less than 10 lots to be expedited. No utility extensions, streets extensions or alleys to consider. It is basically taking 6 lots and combining them into 1 lot.

A motion was made by DeLong and seconded by Roth to approve the Preliminary and Final Plat for Main Street Market Addition as recommended by the Planning Commission. Roll call vote: DeLong yes, Roth yes, Freeman yes, Keib yes. Motion carried.

Consider moving forward with Edward Jones/John Hancock Retirement Plan for the City of Milford authorizing the Mayor to work out details of the new plan.

A motion was made by Keib and seconded by DeLong to approve moving forward with Edward Jones/John Hancock Retirement Plan for the City of Milford authorizing the Mayor to work out the details of the new plan which will be presented to the council prior to approval. Roll call vote: Keib yes, DeLong yes, Freeman yes, Roth yes. Motion carried.

Consider Modular Fire Training Structure for M. V. F. D. at Lagoon Site:

Brad Freeman presented a photo and information of the Modular Fire Training Building they are interested in constructing. The Fire Department is seeking permission from the board to place the unit out at the Lagoon site. They would like to apply and seek funding during Seward County Gives this year for this project. The information is attached to these minutes. All 3 containers will cost around \$7500.00. Rock and plywood for the interior will be an additional cost.

B.I. Tim Dworak noted engineered footings will be needed to ensure the building doesn't fall down or blow over.

Mayor Kelley commented on the need for additional training, engaging interest, and growth of the department. It is required to execute the grant funds within 1 year. It was mentioned that the Police Department could also utilize the structure for training.

A motion was made by Keib and seconded by Freeman to approve the Modular Fire Training Structure for the M.V.F.D. and the M.P.D. at the Lagoon site.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Roth and seconded by Keib to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Roth yes, Keib yes, DeLong yes, Freeman yes. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Jeanne Hoggins, City Clerk

Patrick L. Kelley, 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 February 22, 2024 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.

Jeanne Hoggins, City Clerk

The Milford Fire Dept is intends to seek funding from Seward County Gives this year to help build a Modular Fire Training building. However, we also need a location to place this facility and we are asking the city to allow us to build it near the Milford Firing Range and burn pile.

We have talked to Gary at the City Maintenance Dept and he does not see any reason why it couldn't be constructed in the area.

We intend to adjust the scale/scope of the project to match the donations from Seward County Gives so that we aren't using any money from the dept budget for procuring and constructing the facility.

The picture below shows what we are planning. Our facility would be no more than three 40 foot shipping containers constructed as pictured so that we can train multiple story structure and roof tactics. We will scale the project down as necessary depending on funds. Each container will have temporary walls/doors/etc that we will construct as necessary to make training scenarios.

At this time, for safety reasons, we have no intentions of using any live fires in the containers, but we would have a burn barrel attached to push smoke into them during training.

