CITY OF MILFORD SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 10, 2022

A special meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Milford, Nebraska was held at the City Hall Office, 402 1st Street in said City on the 10th day of March 2022 at 6:30 pm. Present were: Council members: Mayor Patrick Kelley; Councilmembers Tony DeLong, Becky Freeman, Kelli Keib and Mike Roth; and Maintenance Supt. Gary TeSelle and City Clerk Jeanne Hoggins. Also present: Patrick Pierce with CRS and Sarah Inselman.

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 Kelley called the meeting to order at 6:30 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 of the City Hall meeting room.

CONSIDER MEMBERSHIP WITH NPP: Patrick Pierce with Commercial Recreation Services (CRS) presented information on the NPP program and how it can work for non-profit entities. NPP is a corporate purchasing organization serving dozens across the state. It allows procuring of equipment without going out for bid and there is no membership fee. Patrick represents Vortex splash pad equipment and would assist with paperwork thru NPP. The City would purchase directly from the manufacturer at a 5-10% discount.

Patrick shared photos of the proposed Milford splash pad and videos of multiple possibilities for splash pads. Lighting was a feature that was discussed in length. Patrick also shared that during design and construction we can place "safe swaps" in the pad allowing plumbing for future additions to the splash pad.

Sarah Inselman, 460 Cottonwood Ave: Q: How is this project being funded? A: A donation of \$275,000.00 has been received from Little Leaps and the Community Betterment Fund has appropriated \$212,260.00 towards the project. We are also hoping for a successful fund-raising drive thru the Seward County Gives program.

Q: Where does the water go that is used for the splash pad? A: Water is directed to the sanitary sewer. Q: What is involved in the daily operation or maintenance of the splash pad? A: It functions like an irrigation system, to winterize you drain the system and blow out the lines. Q: What about clogs? A: Not likely to be issues with drains. The spray nozzles are removable to clean. Q: Milford has had high nitrate hits and is there a concern with kids drinking the water? A: The nitrate hits have been corrected before notification went out to the public. Milford blends 7 different wells to keep nitrate levels low, a malfunction of a pump caused the last hit, and the system was shut down immediately. Q: Who pays for the water being used for the splash pad? A: This is just like the pool and is considered a service provided for the community. There is no billing associated with the splash pad. Q: What is the timeline? A: We are trying real hard to be aggressive with this project moving forward this spring.

With no further comments or discussion a motion was made by DeLong and seconded by Freeman to move forward with membership of NPP to purchase equipment for the splash pad. Roll call vote: DeLong yes, Freeman yes, Keib yes, Roth yes. Motion carried.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF SPLASH PAD EQUIPMENT: The Park Board will consider equipment/feature options for the splash pad staying within budget from the original scope of the project presented by JEO.

A motion was made by DeLong and seconded by Roth that the Park Board move forward with splash pad equipment/feature choices working with Patrick Pierce & Co. and NPP while staying within the proposed budget. Roll call vote: DeLong yes, Roth yes, Freeman ves, Keib ves. Motion carried.

CONSIDER GOING OUT FOR BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SPLASH PAD: A motion was made by Keib and seconded by Freeman to go out for bids for construction of the splash pad. Roll call vote: Keib yes, Freeman yes, DeLong yes, Roth ves. Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION FROM COMMUNITY BETTERMENT COMMITTEE ON KIWANIS FUNDING REQUEST APPLICATION FOR FLOORING ON THE LARGE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT: Kiwanis has been asked to join the city in the park revitalization project and they have declined. Kiwanis applied for \$12,500.00 to assist with replacing the flooring at the large playground equipment. recommendation from the Community Betterment Committee was to move forward with granting the funds to the Kiwanis Organization.

A motion was made by Keib and seconded by Roth to award the Kiwanis Organization funding in the amount of \$12,500.00 for flooring on the large playground equipment in the Uptown Park. Roll call vote: Keib yes, Roth yes, DeLong yes, Freeman yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Freeman and seconded by Keib to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Freeman yes, Keib yes, DeLong yes, Roth yes. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

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 March 10, 2022 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 subjects to be discussed at said meeting.