

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
OCTOBER 17 2016 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
147 WABASH STREET, MILAN, MICHIGAN 48160**

Mayor Armitage called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Armitage, Mayor Pro-Tem Gee, Council Members Churchill, Gilson, Hamden, Kerkes, Thompson (excused)

OTHER OFFICERS PRESENT: City Administrator Smith, City Attorney Mann, MIS/Communications Director Slay, Parks and Recreation Director Bell, Police Chief Tillery, Main Street Director Tewsley, David Conger of Wade Trim

OTHERS PRESENT: Brad Sancho

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: October 16, 2016

Motion by Churchill to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Gee. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 26, 2016 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Gilson to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Gee. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Accept the appointment of Shelley Wilson (term expiring 12/31/2017) and Betty Kniceley (term expiring 12/31/2018) to the Beautification Commission and the resignation of Graeme Rogerson from the Beautification Commission.**
- B. Approve Special Event Request from Rod Hill (placement of German Flags on Main Street)**
- C. Approve CBIZ Retirement Plan Services to perform the City's OPEB valuation for the year ended June 30, 2016 for a cost not to exceed \$4,500.00.**
- E. Monthly Client Report from Wade Trim Operations Services, Inc. for September, 2016.**
- F. Annual Milan Area Fire Department Executive Board Meeting Agenda.**
- G. Personnel Change Report (Nicholas Walters).**
- F. Approve Agreement with New Moon Visions for Marketing Plan.**
- G. Approve Resolution for a new small wine makers license for the Original Gravity Brewing Company.**

Motion by Gee to approve Consent Agenda A – G, seconded by Kerkes. Motion carried unanimously.

MATTERS FOR ACTION: None

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BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: \$410,258.46

Motion by Kerkes to approve bills payable and payroll as presented, seconded by Gee. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR: None

MAYOR, COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS AND/OR COMMENTS:

City Administrator Smith reported that downtown Trick-or-treating will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 28, 2016.

Also, parking for construction in the alleyway behind Main Street will not be permitted beginning on Thursday, October 20, 2016 until the job is complete.

Police Chief Tillery indicated that they are in the middle of sergeant promotion exams and investigation. Testing is taking place at the police department. They will be reviewed to make sure they are doing the best they can.

Building/Zoning Official gave a Gay Street status update on the construction and they are on schedule with curb and gutter being put in on Wednesday.

He also informed council that there are new owners of the old "Nagles" and he met with them and they have pulled the necessary permits and will be going for a variance. You will see work begin soon.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager Conger gave an update on projects that have been taking place at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and invited anyone to contact them if they would like to come down for a tour of the facility.

Council Member Kerkes wanted to thank the DPW and Beautification Commission for making the downtown look fabulous this year.

She also wanted to wish Nick Walters the best in his future endeavors and she is excited for his future.

Council Member Churchill congratulated Aid in Milan for celebrating 40 years in service. Anyone can volunteer or donate as they accept unopened food, paper products, cash, etc.

She also thanked Rod Hill for encouraging international harmony recognition for the German Exchange Program.

Council Member Gee thanked MIS Director Slay for putting the Milan Youth Council on the City website link.

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Council Member Gilson congratulated the Milan Big Reds for winning the championship.

He also wanted to thank the police department. His mother and a friend went to JR's for dinner and the police officers that were in the area go out and helped them to the restaurant and he was very thankful that we still have the small town atmosphere where these good deeds take place.

He also wanted to make sure everyone was aware that the National Traveling Comedians will be holding a show on Saturday, October 22, 2016 at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Armitage congratulated Aid in Milan on their 40 years of service to the community as they have done a remarkable job.

He also wanted residents that downtown parking will have periodic closures due to the placement of Christmas Decorations before the weather gets too bad. The lights won't be lit, but they will be put up.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: October 24, 2016 (Submission Deadline October 19, 2016)

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Gilson to adjourn meeting at 7:47 p.m., seconded by Gee. Motion carried unanimously.

Michael P. Armitage, Mayor

Karen Samborski, Recording Secretary
City Treasurer