

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL  
HELD ON JULY 24, 2017  
147 WABASH STREET, MILAN, MICHIGAN 48160**

Mayor Armitage called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Armitage, Pro-Tem Gee, Council Members Churchill, Gilson, Hamden, Kerkes, Thompson.

**OTHER OFFICERS PRESENT:** City Administrator Jade Smith-Excused, City Clerk Lavonna Wenzel, City Attorney Steve Mann, Treasurer Karen Samborski, Police Chief Donald Tillery, Building/Zoning Official Robert Grostick, MIS/Communications Director Slay, Parks and Recreation Director Ellen Bell, Main Street Director Jill Tewsley, Fire Chief Robert Stevens (Excused).

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dave Snyder, Dave Sweet.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** July 24, 2017

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** July 10, 2017 - Regular Meeting Minutes  
July 10, 2017 - Work Session Minutes

Motion by Hamden to approve the minutes, seconded by Gilson. Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR:** (5-minute time limit per person)

- A. Residents: None
- B. Non-Residents: None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. **Milan Main Street/DDA Regular Meeting Minutes from June 19, 2017**
- B. **Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request. (American Heritage Girls Troop) November 11, 2017.**
- C. **Approve Contract between Milan Police Department and J. Chad Professional Training, LLC.**
- D. **FY17 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Budget Amendments.**

Motion by Councilperson Thompson, seconded by Councilperson Kerkes to approve Consent Agenda A through D. Motion carried unanimously.

**MATTERS FOR ACTION:**

1. **To Approve Resolution 2017-15 to Support Michigan Senate Bill 400 and Michigan House Bill 4651.**

Motion by Councilperson Gilson, seconded by Councilperson Thompson, to approve Resolution 2017-15. Motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Armitage further explained the bill is pending in the House and needs support due to depleting funds for 911 calls. Councilperson Churchill clarified this will increase surcharges from .19 cents to .25 cents a call.

**BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL:                   \$1,129,987.28**

Motion by Councilperson Gee, seconded by Councilperson Hamden to approve bills payable and payroll.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR:** (3 minutes time limit per person)

- A. Residents: None
- B. Non-Residents: None

**MAYOR, COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS AND/OR COMMENTS:**

**City Attorney Mann** informed the House Bill 4160 by the Attorney General to permit charitable and civic Organizations to solicit funds for charities in the road rights of ways has been approved and will be presented to the Governor and is expected to be signed in early August.

**Police Chief Tillery** stated that the dispatch center is moving right along. He shared his gratitude that the pig roast event at Fenders was a great success and the outpouring of people that came out to show support was very moving. Chief Tillery thanked Councilperson Christian Thompson for the delicious food he catered for the event, Tony Thompson for providing Fenders, Tim Heath's Lawn Care for purchasing the pig, and many more that contributed.

**Park and Recreation Director Bell** announced that Parks and Recreation has received \$2000 from Moving Milan Forward and \$250 from the AA Group to purchase the dock for Nature Park. She announced that there is still openings for Sports and S'mores. It is \$5 a child to participate in the sports and \$10 a family to camp.

**Mainstreet Director Tewsley** thanked everyone for the help and support with the second 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday event on July 20. It was a great success. She invited everyone to come out to SummerFest on Friday, July 28 starting at 4:00 pm.

**Councilperson Gilson** thanked everyone that contributed to the Pig Roast at Fenders. He invited everyone out to the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Backstreet Cruisers' Car Fest in Wilson Park on August 5. In addition, the Blue Grass Festival will be going on at the Milan KOA Campground as well.

**Councilperson Thompson** enjoyed working with the Milan Police Department and everyone at the Pig Roast.

**Councilperson Hamden** enjoyed the food and friends at the pig roast. He congratulated DDA Mainstreet for a great and successful 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday event on July 20.

**Councilperson Churchill** commended Councilperson Thompson for the great food she enjoyed at the Police Pig Roast.

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**Councilperson Kerkes** invited everyone out to SummerFest. She announced admission is free from 4:00 to 6:00 and volunteers are in need.

**Mayor Armitage** announce he received a response from Norfolk Railroad, to the letter that he and council signed and sent. He is expecting promising results.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** August 14, 2017 (Submission Deadline August 9, 2017)

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Councilperson Gilson, seconded by Kerkes, to adjourn meeting at 7:46 p.m.

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Michael Armitage, Mayor

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Lavonna Wenzel, City Clerk