

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL  
HELD ON AUGUST 14, 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, City Clerk Lavonna Wenzel, City Attorney Ron Liscombe, 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 (Excused), Fire Chief Robert Stevens (Excused).

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Brian Camiller-Plante & Moran, Rick Kerkes.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** August 14, 2017

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** July 24, 2017 - Regular Meeting Minutes  
July 24, 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 January 9, 2017.**
- B. **Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request. (Original Gravity Brewing Company – Oktoberfest September 22 & 23)**

Motion by Councilperson Thompson, seconded by Councilperson Gee to approve Consent Agenda A through B. Motion carried unanimously.

**MATTERS FOR ACTION:**

1. **To Accept Revision of the Milan Youth Council By-Laws.**

Motion by Councilperson Kerkes, seconded by Councilperson Gilson, to approve the Milan Youth Council By-Laws. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Gee explained the By-Laws were approved previously when the Youth Council was created. They did not apply well to this group, so they were revised. The City Attorney has approved this updated version.

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**2. To Approve the engagement letter from Plante & Moran as presented.**

Motion by Councilperson Thompson, seconded by Councilperson Churchill, to approve engagement letter from Plante & Moran. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Samborski explained how and where Plante & Moran assistance would contribute to the city's needs. Administrator Smith elaborated that the cost for the services are in the budget under "Contractual Services" and would not require a budget amendment.

**BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL:                    \$1,131,363.42**

Motion by Councilperson Hamden, seconded by Councilperson Kerkes 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:**

**Administrator Smith** announced a new business Mobile One Quick Lube, will open soon on the corner of Platt and Main. He also announced on Saturday, September 9 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM is a citywide household hazardous waste drop off day. The location of drop off is at 45 Neckel Court. Residents can view the flyer on the city website or stop in at the city hall for more information.

**Police Chief Tillery** provided update on dispatch center renovations. He gave special mention and thanks to Ann Arbor Cabinet & Counters for sensational work and that, they did not charge for labor. A special thanks to Ringbloom Electrical who also went the extra mile in contributing exceptional work to the renovation of the dispatch center.

**Building/Zoning Official Grostick** gave update on the re-construction of Redman Road. Its completion is scheduled for on August 9, as well as a section of Canfield Street that was missed. He further updated that the water tower is complete and looking beautiful. The filling of it will be a slow process and starts tomorrow.

**Park and Recreation Director Bell** thanked Dave Baldwin for putting together four to five different sports for the Sports and S'more's event. It provided a circuit for kids to circulate and try sports they never tried before. She announced Thursday, August 17 is the last "Concerts and Movies in the Park". The concert is classic rock roll band, Exit 86 and the movie is Finding Dory. The Fire Department will spray the kids at 6:45. The new Parks and Recreation brochure will be in the mail after August 23.

**Councilperson Hamden** gave special mention and thanked Zealand Lumber for donating needed lumber to the Milan family of Dave McPherson, who has been presented with a series of health issues.

**Councilperson Thompson** enjoyed participating in the Hack House Fundraiser event.

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**Councilperson Gilson** is grateful for all the events and activities going on in Milan that enhance the quality of living in Milan. He thanked all the many groups for their support and efforts, Parks and Recreation, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, and hats off to all who helped with the Milan Carfest that has been coming here for the past twenty-one years.

**Mayor Armitage** invited everyone to come participate in the Relay for Life this weekend, as he will be in the dunk tank for the event. He announce thanks to Administrator Smith for entering the City of Milan to receive an award is one of four finalist for the Michigan Municipal League Community Excellence Award. The number one community will be awarded in mid-September at the MML Convention that he is honored to attend.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** August 28, 2017 (Submission Deadline August 23, 2017)

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Councilperson Gee, seconded by Gilson, to adjourn meeting at 7:53 p.m.

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Michael Armitage, Mayor

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Lavonna Wenzel, City Clerk