

PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE OF MILLIGAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES 3/13/2023

The Village of Milligan Board of Trustees met in regular session on March 13, 2023, notice of meeting being posted in three public places in advance of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Eric Milton at 8:00 p.m. On roll call, the following Trustees were present: Eric Milton, Eric Johnson, Doug Kotas, Kimberly Gurley and Laura Steuben. Absent: none. Others present: Scott Oliva representing the Milligan Auditorium and Milligan Community Club, John Zelenka, Maintenance and Vicky Thompson, Clerk. Chairman Eric Milton made notice that the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and is accessible to members of the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following bills were presented for payment:

Black Hills Energy, utilities	1,410.49	Verizon, cell phones	136.56
Perennial Public Power, utilities	1,734.15	Windstream, telephone & internet	444.83
Kopcho & Sons Sanitation, garbage	3,420.50	Hometown Leasing, repairs & maint.	84.87
NE Public Health Env. Lab, water tests	15.00	The Nebraska Signal, publications	39.54
Solheim Law Firm, LLC, prof. fees	555.00	Sargent Drilling, repairs & maint.	800.00
War Path Pest Control, pest control	70.00	Lois Kotas, contract labor	56.00
Exeter-Milligan Public Schools, liq. lic.	250.00	John Zelenka, repairs & maint. reimb.	264.27
Farmers Coop, supplies	371.65	Emergency Med. Products, supplies	242.99
ChemSearch, supplies	749.45	Geneva Home Center, supplies	247.97
Geneva Carquest, supplies	216.60	Larry Michl, maint.	200.00
John Zelenka, reimb. misc. exp.	134.46	Kassik Milling Co., repairs & maint.	166.12
Fillmore Co. Dev. Corp. mem. Dues	1000.00	941 Tax Deposit	1,321.32
Wages	4,931.39		
N Street Project:			
JEO Consult. Group, prof. fees	113.74		

K. Gurley moved, seconded by D. Kotas to approve all items on the consent agenda. The items on the consent agenda include the minutes from the February 13, 2023, meeting, financial reports and all bills, including the N Street Project. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA

Scott Oliva, representing the Milligan Auditorium, requested temporary liquor licenses (SDL's) for three upcoming events. He also asked for permission for use of various streets for the September 9, 2023 event. The streets would include 6th and Main to L and the alley behind the Auditorium to the Legion building. D. Kotas moved, seconded by K. Gurley to approve temporary liquor licenses to the Milligan Auditorium for April 15, 2023, May 20, 2023 and September 9, 2023, for the St. Wenceslaus Czech Brewfest. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Motion carried.

L. Steuben moved, seconded by E. Johnson to allow the use of the streets 6th and Main to L and the alley behind the Auditorium to the Legion Building by the Milligan Auditorium for the St. Wenceslaus Czech Brewfest on September 9, 2023. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Scott Oliva, representing the Milligan Community Club, requested a temporary liquor license (SDL) and to use various streets and village locations during the June Jubilee, June 9, 10, and 11, 2023. This would include blocking off 6th Street west of Main Street on Saturday and 6th Street east of the water tower to Main Street as well as parts of Main Street, and the alleyway behind the Milligan Auditorium. E. Johnson moved, seconded by K. Gurley to approve the temporary liquor license and the use of the various streets for the June Jubilee. Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Motion carried.

No response was received from the owner of the nuisance property the board has been working on resolving through Solheim Law Firm. D. Kotas moved, seconded by L. Steuben to go ahead with the abatement process. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The paint and lettering for the water tower was discussed. L. Steuben moved, seconded by E. Johnson to choose purple mountain majesty for the body of the tower with silver block lettering. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Motion carried. The top will be silver and the legs will also be silver.

The need to move a light pole on O Street was discussed. E. Johnson moved, seconded by K. Gurley to place a light pole across the street from the current light pole location on O Street. Roll call vote: Ayes:

E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Motion carried. The current light pole will be removed.

Discussion held on the signature card for The Green Space at the Farmers and Merchants Bank, Milligan. K. Gurley moved, seconded by L. Steuben to replace the current signature card for The Green Space account with Eric Milton and Vicky Thompson on the new card. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Motion carried.

A renewal membership request was received from the Fillmore County Development Corporation. After discussion, D. Kotas moved, seconded by L. Steuben to renew the membership at Level 3 for \$1,000.00. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, D. Kotas, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Abstain: E. Johnson. Motion carried.

Correspondence was read and discussed. Included was a letter from Hwy 41 Express Stop on the discontinuance of gas cards for the rescue unit and fire department affective March 31, 2023; a letter and report from Sargent Drilling on pump and well testing at the north and south wells; Upper Big Blue Natural Resources District; and State and Local Cybersecurity Grant info.

Other Discussion:

- Sales tax receipts for December (received in February) were \$5,875.09
- Water and sewer rate studies completed
- SENDD – progress of N Street payments
- School buildings
- Discussion on general village maintenance.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. D. Kotas moved, seconded by E. Johnson to adjourn. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, D. Kotas, K. Gurley and L. Steuben. Nays: none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m. Minutes can be viewed on the website www.milligannebraska.org.

Vicky Thompson, Village Clerk