

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MILAN CITY COUNCIL  
HELD ON FEBRUARY 8, 2010 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,  
MILAN CITY HALL, 147 WABASH STREET, MILAN, MICHIGAN, 48160**

Mayor Muckler called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Muckler, Council Members Armitage, Chapin, Churchill, Dotson (excused), Gilson, Hamden

**OTHER OFFICERS PRESENT:** City Administrator Swayze, Clerk/Treasurer Steinwedel (excused), City Attorney Beach, Police Chief Lewis, Building/Zoning Official Grostick, MIS Director Slay

**OTHERS PRESENT:** G. Hochrodel, PC Blaine, John Blaine, Jerry LaVaute, David Conger, Joyce Armitage, Alena McKeen, Melissa Shier, Connie Howard, Brad Howard, Rod Hill, LaKeisha Watson, Audrea McKeen, Jim Latham, Marissa McNees, Kendra Smiatowicz, Kimberly Dunbar

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** February 8, 2010

Motion by Chapin, seconded by Churchill to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** January 25, 2010 - Work Session  
January 25, 2010 - Regular Meeting

Motion by Churchill, seconded by Chapin to approve the minutes as presented.

Councilmember Armitage requested that his name be added to the Staff Report from Police Chief Lewis at the January 25, 2010 Regular Meeting, listed himself as a member on the Police Community Advisory Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR:**

**Ms. McKeen** spoke on behalf of Sergeant Casey and felt the matter should have been handled differently and she feels that he should be kept on the force.

**MATTERS TO RECEIVE AND FILE:**

1. Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request Form. (Milan Youth League Parade)
2. Fundraiser, Parade, Solicitation and Special Event Request Form. (Milan High School Bottle Drive, Fundraiser Nights at Milan Grill and Alpha Wireless)

Motion by Dotson, seconded by Armitage to receive and file items #1 and #2.

Motion carried unanimously.

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 8, 2010  
PAGE TWO**

**SPECIAL AGENDA ITEM: State of the City Address by Mayor Muckler**

**MATTERS FOR ACTION:**

- 1. Consider First Reading of Ordinance No. 2010-01 – An Ordinance to provide for a service charge in lieu of taxes for a proposed multiple family dwelling project for persons of low income to be financed or assisted pursuant to the provisions of the State Housing Development Authority Act of 1966, as amended.**

Motion by Armitage, seconded by Chapin to approve at first reading of Ordinance No. 2010-01 – An Ordinance to provide for a service charge in lieu of taxes for a proposed multiple family dwelling project for persons of low income to be financed or assisted pursuant to the provisions of the State Housing Development Authority Act of 1966, as amended.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

**AYES:** Armitage, Chapin, Churchill, Gilson, Hamden, Muckler  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSENT:** Dotson  
**ABSTAIN:** None

Motion carried unanimously.

- 2. Consider Resolution No. 2010-02 – A Resolution by the Michigan Department of Transportation for the purposes of issuing to a municipal utility an “annual application and permit for miscellaneous operations within state trunk line right of way”.**

Motion by Churchill, seconded by Chapin to adopt Resolution No. 2010-02, which issues to a municipal utility an “annual application and permit for miscellaneous operations within state trunk line right of way”.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 3. Consider and Accept Resignation from the Police Community Advisory Board.**

Motion by Chapin, seconded by Armitage to accept with regrets the resignation of Paul Atkinson from the Police Community Advisory Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

**BILLS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: \$ 433,785.49**

Motion by Chapin, seconded by Gilson to pay the bills payable and payroll as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZENS MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR: None**

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 8, 2010  
PAGE THREE**

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

**City Administrator Swayze** reported on a joint educational forum between City Council, Zoning Boards of Appeals and the Planning Commission being held on March 1, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

If someone cannot make it a tape is being made for those not in attendance to review commented Councilmember Churchill.

**Council Member Armitage** has foundation tickets available. Also, he reported that he was a guest of Kathy Angerers at the State of the State Governor's Address.

**Council Member Gilson** was also invited and could not make it and he felt that it was a good speech. He also gave a Hats Off to the DPW on the Main Break.

**Mayor Muckler** is excited about the budget cycle to implement goals. She is looking forward to getting it done and she reminded council that photo's will be taken at the February 22, 2010 Work Session at 6:30 p.m.

Discussion was also held on goals, chain of command and the rights to voice opinions in a Letter to the Editor and anything else is speaking on behalf of the City.

**Council Member Armitage** spoke that it was addressed in the Employee Handbook.

Further discussion was held on property market values, Dairy Barn Property, deed restrictions, along with the sign ordinance.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Chapin, seconded by Hamden to adjourn meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

---

Kimberly A. Muckler, Mayor

---

Robert Grostick  
Building/Zoning Official