

## MILROY CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting  
April 28, 2025

### CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Mayor Sik called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Council Members Present: Sik, Christensen, Haken, Miller and Olson.

Staff in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer Snyder, Public Works Director Duscher and Fire Chief Matt Krueger.

Guests: Mary Dahmes, Tom Marks, Scot Bowman and Melvin Welu.

### APPROVE AGENDA

**Christensen/Miller unanimous to approve the agenda with the additions of the Oasis Bar & Grill liquor license, Milroy Baseball Association liquor license and the Milroy Fire relief gambling permit under new business.**

### CONSENT AGENDA

**Haken/Miller unanimous to approve the consent agenda as presented.**

- a. March 25, 2025, Regular Council minutes and April 7, 2025, BOE minutes.
- b. Claims Payable (check #12769 - #12788) for \$18,299.14 and electronic payments for \$166,010.00.
- c. Land Use Permit #3-2025
- d. Land Use Permit #4-2025

### REPORTS

**FIRE – Miller/Olson unanimous to approve the gambling permit for the Milroy Relief Association.**

**Christensen/Haken unanimous to approve the purchase of two Pro Sweep software licenses, two tablets and a tv.**

**Haken/Christensen unanimous to approve the servicing of the fire vehicles with Wrenchers and Jenniges Diesel.**

The department will be attending a Milroy Yankees game on June 8<sup>th</sup> and a Milroy Irish game on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Fire Chief Kruger updated the council on radios; CRP burn and setting up the department ISO rating.

**PUBLIC WORKS – Miller/Olson unanimous to approve the purchase of granite fines for the city alleys.**

A letter will be sent to CHS about drivers staying out of the alleys when they are soft.

Hydrant Flushing will be done within the next weeks and quotes will be received for crack filling.

**COUNCIL –** Mayor Sik had a meeting with Public Works Director Duscher a few weeks ago as he thinks she is harassing him. After the last meeting she was on the MCFOA website looking for grants. On the MCFOA website, Clerk/Treasurer Snyder is listed as the administrative assistant and was asked if she is doing this work on city time. Snyder is not doing this work on city time, her duties with MCFOA are done after 4:30 or on the weekend. Snyder is listed as City of Milroy as that is where she is employed. Sik has also been told by other clerks that Snyder has trained half the clerks in Minnesota. While she has given much advice and guidance over the years, she has not left her city position to help in other cities.

Haken noticed that the semi that was parked by the park is now parked on elevator property. He also has concerns about the cost of the city-wide clean-up. This can cost up to \$5,000.00 and the concern is this cost is spread to all within the city. Appliances are paid for by the individual. This year's clean-up is already set, and this will be reviewed for future ones that are being held.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Sik contacted the city attorney about complaints and redaction. The city attorney told the mayor these are public, and the council can see who is complaining. There are differences if there is a complaint against an employee. **Christensen/Olson to approve all complaints be sent to the city attorney and council with no redaction of the person complaining. Christensen/Olson/Sik approved. Haken abstained/Miller opposed. Majority rules, motion carried.**

Fixing or selling the EDA apartments was discussed. The council would like to sell the apartments and will have the County Assessor do a walk through and give the city a more exact value on the property.

Tennis court repairs/cost was then discussed. The insurance agent has recommended that until any repairs are done the city lock the tennis courts due to liability issues. **Christensen/Haken unanimous to allow the mayor the authority to work with Public Works Director Duscher to make any decisions on repairs to the tennis courts.**

The semi parking ordinance along Euclid Avenue was reviewed. No action will be taken at this time.

The parking ordinance for multiple dwellings was reviewed. No action will be taken at this time, but if any rental property sells, a copy of the ordinance showing ample parking needs to be provided for tenants will be given to the owner.

Personnel Policy will be tabled until the May meeting.

The nuisance list was reviewed. The spring and summer policies will be posted, and no nuisance letters will be sent until after the clean-up.

**Sik/Olson to approve doing a utility rate study through MN rural water. Sik, Olson, Haken, Miller approved. Christensen opposed. Majority rules, motion carried.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Christensen/Miller unanimous to approve the street closing permit for Kerkhoff Auction company for May 10, 2025.**

**Olson/Miller unanimous to reinvest \$350,000.00 into a seven (7) month CD with First Independent Bank.**

The sales tax audit is complete and within compliance with no change to the returns September 2021 – December 2024.

**Christensen/Haken unanimous to approve the Milroy Baseball Association liquor license.**

**Christensen/Haken unanimous to approve the Oasis Bar & Grill liquor license.**

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Tom Marks asked if the council would consider doing a survey of who is interested in playing pickleball, before the city spends a bunch of money to repair the courts.

Melvin Welu informed the council he is resurrecting Milroy Fun Days and tentatively has a date of September 6, 2025.

Mary Dahmes expressed her concern about the city wide clean up and using tax dollars to clean up other resident properties.

#### **MAYOR/COUNCIL ITEMS**

- April 29 – City Office closed
- May 1 – City Office closed at noon
- May 27 (Tuesday) – City Council Meeting
- June 6-8 – Spring Clean Up

#### **ADJOURN**

**Haken/Christensen unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.**

Approved on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

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Betsy Snyder, City Clerk/Treasurer