### **MILROY CITY COUNCIL**

Regular Meeting September 22, 2025

# CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Mayor Sik called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Council Members Present: M. Sik, Haken, Mark, L. Sik and Olson.

Staff in attendance: Clerk/Treasurer Snyder and Public Works Director Duscher.

Guests: Mary Dahmes, Lori Duscher, Kent Miller and Brad Snyder.

### **APPROVE AGENDA**

Haken/Marks unanimous to approve the agenda with the addition of Resolution #11-2025 – authorizing the proper city officials to execute a quit claim deed to convey real property from the city of Milroy to AT properties, LLC., under the consent agenda.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Haken/Olson unanimous to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- a. August 25, 2025, Regular Council minutes and September 9, 2025, Special meeting minutes.
- b. Claims Payable (check #12872 #12888) for \$55,520.57 and electronic payments for \$20,785.46.
- c. Land Use Permit #11-2025.
- d. Land Use Permit #12-2025.
- e. Resolution #11-2025 Quit Claim Deed.

#### **REPORTS**

FIRE – Fire Prevention Week activities will be at the fire hall and a fire drill at the school on Friday, October 10, 2025.

**COUNCIL** – Haken said it was brought to his attention of a call made to MN Rural Water and the secretary got chewed out. Mayor Sik said she made the call but did not chew them out, she asked that their vehicles park the proper way on the street when in front of the Milroy city shop so as not to break the law. Other concerns were that the beer truck distributor delivering for the fun fest celebration to the mayor's home address and drove onto a street not rated for trucks to drive upon. There were citizen complaints about fireworks being shot off in town, there is a city ordinance against this and no one on the council should violate city ordinances as that is not a good example. The other factor that concerns him is the amount of money being spent on the city attorney. Moving forward the mayor will let the clerk know when she contacts the attorney so that the clerk will expect an invoice.

# **CLERK/TREASURER**

The Clerk/Treasurer would like all council to use their city issued laptop for receiving packets and correspondence. Currently there are 30 individuals who signed up for e-bills and 33 for autopay.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Haken/Olson unanimous to have JD Plumbing & Heating install the sand trap as soon as they can for a cost of \$7,856.00.

No changes will be made to the current city council dates. They will continue to be the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Haken/Olson unanimous, to approve 2026 health insurance renewal premium. Single \$884.90 and Family \$2,240.08.

The information about land detachment was reviewed and nothing will be done by the city.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

L. Sik/Haken for the City Clerk/Treasurer to attend the forfeited land sale on October 20, 2025. M. Sik, L. Sik, Olson, Haken approve; Marks opposed. Majority rules, motion carried.

Olson/Haken unanimous to approve the resignation of the Public Works Director, Dean Duscher effective October 1, 2025. A notice will be posted to fill this position. The city will need to consider a company/qualified Water/Wastewater technician to oversee the city system until the new employee can be certified. This is approximately one year.

Haken/Olson unanimous to hire PeopleService to handle Milroy's water/wastewater system.

## **OPEN FORUM**

Lori Duscher asked if the council was going to fix the behavior that caused her husband to quit his job with the city. If not good luck to the next person.

Mary Dahmes would like the council to consider who may call the city attorney other than the City Clerk/Treasurer. Once the city attorney is contacted it costs the city and the taxpayers money, therefore it should be decided if one councilmember or all councilmembers can call when they have a little question. It's obvious that Dean Duscher does not want to leave the city as he is being forced out by harassment. She said to Mayor Sik that since she has been Mayor there is always an issue with items and employees at each meeting. She also said the council and the employees should work together.

Kent Miller feels the council should apologize to Dean Duscher for letting him resign without doing anything to try to keep him employed with the city.

# **MAYOR/COUNCIL ITEMS**

- October 13 Holiday Floater
- October 27 City Council Meeting

### **ADJOURN**

Olson/Marks unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Approved on this 27 <sup>th</sup> day of October 2025.
Betsy Snyder, City Clerk/Treasurer