

City of Milano City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 18, 2024 – 6:30 pm
Milano Civic Center 120 West Avenue E Milano, TX 76556

Mayor Pro Tem John Paniagua called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm. The mayor pro tem established there was a quorum present. Mayor Westbrook and Councilman Glenda Westbrook were absent. The meeting opened with greetings from Mayor Pro Tem Paniagua. The invocation was given by Chad Lagrone and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Edward Lenz.

There were several that spoke during public comment time, Dawn Mudd spoke first. She said a ditch has been dug all around her property. She has no access to her carport because there is no driveway. Would the council please consider speaking to the contractors about putting in a culvert so she has access to her carport. Brenda Neidhart spoke next saying that a ditch has been dug and just left. Just a huge hole and no culvert to get into their property to get their RV out. Edward Westbrook spoke next. He confirmed what Brenda Neidhart stated and stated the same thing had been done on his side of the road but that it was going to cause water to flood his house if something is not done. He stated that there is a huge hole left and no place for water to go. Gina Jatzlau spoke last. She stated that the ditches and culverts are zig zagged, there are ruts going through her property from equipment cutting across. Roots are exposed from trees in the ditches and they took out one of her crape myrtles.

Councilman Bryan Woods made the motion to approve the city council meeting minutes of the February 20, 2024 regular city council meeting and pay the March bills for City of Milano. Councilman Edward Lenz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Edward Lenz made the motion to approve the Mobile Home Permit for Tina Smith and Councilman Bryan Woods seconded the motion. Motion Carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Chad Lagrone made the motion to approve creating a checking account for the Opioid Abatement Trust Fund which is part of the 2021 Seante Bill 1827. The Trust Company wants to disperse all forthcoming payments through ACH process. There will be seven authorized signers: Chad Lagrone, Edward Lenz, John Paniagua, Glenda Westbrook, Karl Westbrook, Bryan Woods, and Carolyn Vinton. Councilman Edward Lenz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council heard from Hope Bocanegra on the alley right of way issues adjoining her property and the need to locate property lines. She had concerns about debris that had been left laying around and who was going to clean it up. After discussion, Councilman Bryan Wood made the motion to have the ally surveyed and then fenced on both sides. Councilman Edward Lenz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Bryan Woods made the motion to approve the lease agreement with Milam County Emergency Services District No.1 to lease office space inside the Milano Civic Center. Lease will be in effect from April 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024. Lessee agrees will be \$1.00 to the Lessor for the term of the agreement. The lease may be terminated by giving lessee written notice. The term of the lease will expire immediately. Councilman Edward Lenz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Edward Lenz made the motion to cancel the May 4, 2024 General Election by Ordinance #2024-01 and approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates as elected to office for the general election scheduled to be held on May 4, 2024.

Councilman Edward Lenz made the motion to approve the 2023 audit report from Seidel Schroeder from Brenham, Texas as presented by Heather Delso. Councilman Chad Lagrone seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

✓ Approved _____ Not approved

Carolyn Vinton _____ Date April 15, 2024
Carolyn Vinton, City Secretary