

CITY OF MILTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1139 SMITH STREET
MILTON, WV 25541

JANUARY 2, 2024

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Canterbury called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Mayor Tom Canterbury, Council Members Carl Harshbarger, Tennis Adkins, Troy Nicely and Deborah Conard. Recorder Walters and Council Member Miller were absent. The invocation was given by Council Member Adkins and the pledge of allegiance was said in unison.

Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the agenda. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

Minutes from the December 5 Council Meeting and December 19 Special Meeting were presented. Council Member Adkins moved to approve the minutes. Second by Council Member Nicely. Motion carried.

The City bills were presented for November 2023 totaling \$137,595.16 for the General Fund. Council Member Adkins moved to approve the bills. Second by Council Member Conard. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury read the City Financial Report for November 2023. General Fund Total: \$1,770,073.64; Cemetery Total: \$79,975.75; Coal Severance Total: \$6,498.11; American Rescue Plan Act Total: \$1,127,058.14; Building Commission Total: \$4,776.89. Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the Financial Reports. Second by Council Member Conard. Motion carried.

Chief Parsons read the Police Report for November 2023. Chief Parsons indicated that he purchased a new police cruiser which will replace Sgt. Withers' vehicle. He also stated that he is actively seeking construction contractors for the renovation of the police department. Council Member Nicely moved to approve the Police Report. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

A Resolution was presented authorizing the transfer of \$9,977.23 from the Police Savings account to the General Fund account to reimburse for expenses incurred. Council Member Nicely moved to approve the Resolution. Second by Council Member Harshbarger. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury gave the second reading of an Ordinance Amending, Modifying and Re-Enacting Article 101 "Codified Ordinances," of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Milton. Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the second reading. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury gave the second reading of an Ordinance Amending, Modifying and Re-Enacting Article 103 "General Provisions," of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Milton.

Council Member Adkins moved to approve the second reading. Second by Council Member Conard. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury gave the second reading of an Ordinance Amending, Modifying and Re-Enacting Article 105 “Elections,” of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Milton. Council Member Harshbarger moved to approve the second reading. Second by Council Member Adkins. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury presented a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Milton and the Cabell County Commission setting forth the terms and conditions to allow Cabell County to administer Milton’s municipal elections. Council Member Adkins moved to endorse the Memorandum of Understanding. Second by Council Member Conard. Motion carried.

Mayor Canterbury presented a Resolution to transfer funds in the amount of \$17,971.25 from the Milton Municipal Utilities’ Water Debt Service bank account to the Milton Municipal Utilities’ Consolidated bank account for payment of the water department’s one-quarter share of the costs for a dump truck. Council Member Adkins moved to approve the Resolution. Second by Council Member Conard. Motion carried.

Milton Resident Ed Huff stated he is willing to serve on the Milton Housing Authority.

Council reviewed information received from the West Virginia Attorney General’s Office containing Approved Purposes of opioid settlement funds. Council will review the Approved Purposes and make suggestions for proper use.

Chief Parsons advised that he will be working on the year-end report for the Chaney Grant.

Council Member Adkins moved to adjourn at 7:46 pm. Second by Council Member Harshbarger. Motion carried.

Mayor Tom Canterbury

Recorder Dana Walters