

Called City of Milano City Council Meeting and Budget Workshop Minutes
Monday, August 22, 2022 – 6:30 pm
Milano Civic Center 120 West Avenue E Milano, TX 76556

Mayor Westbrook called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Mayor Westbrook established there was a quorum present. All city councilmen were present. The meeting opened with greetings from Mayor Westbrook. Councilman Chad Lagrone gave the invocation and Mayor Karl Westbrook led the Pledge of Allegiance.

During public comment time, Ben King spoke on behalf of Julio Mendoza and family, referencing the need for the family to be allowed to move their mobile home into the city limits. Mr. King acknowledged knowing Mr. Mendoza for many years and how hard Mr. Mendoza works to improve the property that he owns within the city limits.

During discussion, Mr. Mendoza spoke to the council explaining the urgent need to move his family into the city. Mr. Mendoza said that his family has been robbed several times and then the last time all his belongings were taken. His daughter was injured in a vehicle accident while trying to get off the highway at the place they live at currently. He spent all monies available to purchase the best mobile home he could but could not afford a new one. He spent \$12,000 for a cement slab for the mobile home's foundation. He also told the council that he has been charged \$500 to store the mobile home on the lot where it was purchased. Councilman Edward Lenz made the motion to approve the mobile home permit. Councilman Bryan Woods seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3 to 2 vote. Councilwoman Glenda Westbrook and Councilman John Paniagua voted no.

During discussion, council noted receiving two proposals to do repairs and upgrades to the civic center. Proposals were received from Zach Bishop and B & B Construction and Welding Services. After discussion, Councilman John Paniagua made the motion to accept the proposal from Zach Bishop to do the repairs and upgrades to the civic center. Councilman Bryan Woods seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

During discussion, Council noted receiving two proposals to do repairs and upgrades to the community center. Proposals were received from Zach Bishop and B & B Construction and Welding Services. After discussion, Councilman Edward Lenz made the motion to approve the proposal from Zach Bishop to do the repairs and upgrades to the community center. Councilman Bryan Woods seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman John Paniagua made the motion to approve the purchase of a smaller and more efficient ice machine and terminate the lease for the ice machine with Superior Air Repair. Also, giving Mayor Westbrook authority to go purchase the new ice machine with about a 300-pound capacity not to exceed \$3,500.00. Councilman Edward Lenz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

During the budget workshop, council made changes pending approval at the next city council meeting, removed the line item for the ice machine lease, removed the line item for monthly

payments for the property located at 258 CR 340. Added back in the line item for website services, and general administrative services. The dumpster line item will be lowered to a more reasonable size of dumpster and less monthly charge pending approval at the next city council meeting. Council adjusted salaries to include a 3% cost of living increase for employees.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm.

 ✓ Approved Not approved

Carolyn Vinton
Carolyn Vinton, City Secretary

September 19, 2022
Date