

City of Milano City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 19, 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. The mayor established there was a quorum present. Councilwoman Glenda Westbrook was absent. The meeting opened with greetings from Mayor Westbrook. The invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mayor Westbrook.

There were no public comments.

There were no comments during the Public Hearing on the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

There were no comments during the Public Hearing on the proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Councilman Chad Lagrone made the motion to approve the city council meeting minutes of August 15, 2022, and approve the called city council meeting minutes of August 22, 2022 meeting with corrections, approve the financial report for September, 2022 and pay the bills for City of Milano. Corrections to the August 22 called city council meeting are in the third paragraph, the last sentence: i.e. "Glenda Westbrook and Councilman John Paniagua abstained from voting". Corrected to read: "Councilwoman Glenda Westbrook and Councilman John Paniagua voted no." Councilman Edward Lenz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Bryan Woods made the motion to approve the mobile home permit for Anita Castaneda and Albert Silva. The modular home is a new 2023 modal and meets the requirements of the Mobile Home Ordinance #2014-105. Councilman John Paniagua seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Chad Lagrone made the motion to turn off the water meters at the Bailey Bank Building and 258 CR340. Councilman Bryan Woods seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Edward Lenz made the motion to take bids for the sale of two buildings owned by the City of Milano. The portable storage building located at 303 W Avenue E and small office building located 258 CR340. Bids will be opened at the October 17, 2022 regular city council meeting. Councilman Bryan Woods seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Chad Lagrone made the motion to pay off the property at 258 CR340. Payoff amount is \$23,078.96 with Rockdale Federal Credit Union. Funds will be transferred from checking account ending in 7175. Councilman John Paniagua second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Edward Lenz made the motion to update banking information and signature cards on all accounts at Citizens National Bank to include removing former Councilman Steve Honeycutt and add new Councilman Chad Lagrone, update debit card information and open new savings account at Citizens National Bank for Emergency Fund Account. Currently the Emergency Fund Account is in a savings account at Rockdale Federal Credit Union. After the new savings account at Citizens National Bank is opened these funds will be transferred. Councilman Bryan Woods seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman John Paniagua made the motion to enter into a maintenance agreement with Climate Control for A/C and Heating units in the civic center and community center. Agreement is for biannual HVAC maintenance. Councilman Chad Lagrone seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilman Bryan Woods made the motion to change the size of the city trash dumpster from four yards to two yards and to change the city trash collection company to Dillo Disposal Service, LLC, Lyons, Texas for \$96.02 monthly. Councilman Edward Lenz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman John Paniagua made the motion to adopt the certified appraisal roll as the tax roll for the City of Milano. Councilman Chad Lagrone seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Westbrook introduced the proposed Ordinance #2022-03 to Adopt the annual budget for fiscal year 2022-2023. During discussion it was noted that this budget will raise more property taxes for maintenance and operation than last year's rate (\$0.2500) from \$17,249,392.00 (last year) to (\$0.2500) \$19,434,291.00; there is no property taxes allocated for debt. The total city proposed property tax rate for FY2022-2023 is \$0.2500 per \$100 valuation. The following are data related to the tax rate for FY2022: Proposed rate - \$0.2500; No new revenue tax rate, unadjusted - \$0.221747; Voter-approval tax rate, unadjusted - \$0.519701. Councilman Lagrone made the motion to approve and Councilman Lenz seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Councilman Lagrone – Aye
Councilman Lenz – Aye
Councilman Paniagua – Aye
Councilwoman Westbrook – Absent
Councilman Woods - Aye

Councilman Edward Lenz made the motion to ratify the property tax revenue reflected in the budget for fiscal year 2022-2023. Councilman Bryan Woods seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Councilman Lagrone – Aye
Councilman Lenz – Aye
Councilman Paniagua – Aye
Councilwoman Westbrook – Absent
Councilman Woods – Aye

Mayor Westbrook introduced proposed Ordinance #2022-04 to Levy Ad Valorem Tax Beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023. Councilman Chad Lagrone made the motion to approve and Councilman Edward Lenz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Councilman Lagrone – Aye
Councilman Lenz – Aye
Councilman Paniagua – Aye
Councilwoman Westbrook – Absent
Councilman Woods – Aye

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.

 Approved _____ Not approved _____

 
Carolyn Vinton, City Secretary Date