

PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL MILES CITY, MONTANA

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES **January 3, 2014**
12:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Council meeting was held Friday, January 3, 2014, in the Conference Room at City Hall, 17 S. 8th Street, at 12:00 p.m. Mayor C. A. Grenz called the meeting to order and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Members present were Mark Ahner, Bill Melnik, John Uden, Jerry Partridge, John Hollowell, Roxanna Brush and Dwayne Andrews. Susanne Galbraith was excused.

Also present were Planner-in-Training/Grant Administrator Dawn Colton, Historic Preservation Officer Connie Muggli, and City Clerk/Minute Recorder Lorrie Pearce.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 3657: A Resolution Authorizing The City Of Miles City To Enter Into A Consulting Services Agreement with Tetra Tech, Inc.

Councilperson Ahner asked if the contract specified the amount of not greater than \$6,600 as amended. Officer Muggli commented that Tetra Tech sent a new contract with vocabulary changed in article 4, as to not exceed \$6,600. She also explained that Tetra Tech and Historic Preservation will be implementing the “tab ease” to review the draft of the grant. This will help expedite the process, making it ready to submit by January 20th. She also noted that Tetra Tech was the only company to respond to the bid process.

Councilperson Ahner asked when EPA will be making their decision on awarding the grant. Officer Muggli thought it would be sometime in May. Mayor Grenz asked if the City receives the grant, will it help with the cleaning of the Depot. Officer Muggli responded by saying that the Depot already has money lined up, and the cleanup will start sometime this summer.

** *Councilperson Brush moved to adopt Resolution No. 3657 by title only, seconded by Councilperson Hollowell and, on roll call vote, passed unanimously, 7-0. Resolution 3657 was adopted.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COUNCIL COMMENT

Councilperson Partridge asked if the Police department could check on the speed of trains carrying oil through town. He explained that the oil produced in the Bakken is rich in natural gas and extremely explosive.

Councilperson Uden asked for someone to check into paying City employees 4 hours on a non-recognized holiday. He said it was against Montana Statues to close City Hall, and that it wasn't fair to pay some employees and not others. He suggested giving 4 hours of vacation time to all employees who were not given the same consideration.

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Councilperson Brush said that she thought the management of street maintenance should be looked at. She said some streets have a lot of ruts and the public is scared to park on the side of the road, in fear of getting stuck. And Pearl, Stower, and Leighton street might need to be posted as parking on one side only.

Councilperson Melnik reported that he will be attending a Southeastern Montana Development Corporation meeting on January 9th. He also said that he's heard nothing but good things on street maintenance.

ADJOURNMENT

** Councilperson Partridge moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilperson Uden and passed unanimously, 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

ATTEST:


Lorrie Pearce, City Clerk


C.A. Grenz, Mayor