

CITY OF MILLER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2024

The City of Miller is an equal opportunity employer.

The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Tom McGough, Aldermen: Dale Hargens, Patrick Price, and Mike Wetz. Alderwomen: Susan Hargens and Tammy Lichty. Absent: Will Jones.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor McGough called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

AGENDA: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Hargens to approve the agenda. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderman Price to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held January 2, 2024, and the special meeting held January 8, 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mayor McGough relayed Will Page's thank you to the city workers for keeping the electricity on, water running, streets cleaned, and police working during the bitter cold weather. Not everyone sees what goes on behind the scenes. Alderwoman Lichty mentioned that the Ball Association would like to be on the next agenda. Mayor McGough appreciated the efforts of Dustin Graham, Devin Letsche, and Dan Fritzsche for switching the electric over to East River while NorthWestern worked on a fire near their St. Lawrence substation. Alderman Wetz drew Rodney Gortmaker, Sr. for the \$100 utility credit given away at the Farm & Home Show. Mary Jo Gortmaker was present and happily accepted the credit.

NEW BUSINESS

Liberty National – Voluntary Supplemental Insurance: Anthony & Joshua, Liberty National representatives from Lyman County, gave a presentation on their insurance policies. They have supplemental life, cancer, dental, critical illness, and accident policies. They will set up a time with Sheila Coss to meet one-on-one with the employees to discuss the benefits of their policies.

Code Enforcement Specialists: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens have Mayor McGough signed the agreement with Code Enforcement Specialists, LLC and have the zoning committee look at our ordinances regarding code enforcement in more detail. Four members voted aye; Alderman Hargens voted nay. Motion carried.

Fire Department Roster: Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Hargens to approve the Fire Department Roster for SDML Worker's Compensation coverage. Four members voted aye; Alderman Price abstained. Motion carried.

Memorandum of Destruction: Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderman Hargens to approve the Memorandum of Destruction for 2018 documents. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

2023 Year-end Financials: Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve the 2023 year-end financials as presented by Sheila Coss. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Helms & Associates Invoice 32855: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve Helms & Associates Invoice 32855 for \$5,097.62. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Pipeline Emergency Response Exercise: There are multiple Pipeline Emergency Response Exercises throughout the state. The city will reimburse expenses for anyone who attends the Huron or Pierre sessions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Personnel Committee Recommendation – Inclement Weather: Alderwoman Hargens reviewed the changes recommended by the Personnel Committee for the Inclement Weather Policy. The suggested changes will be made prior to the final vote at the next meeting.

Approval of Bills: Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve the bills for payment. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Wetz to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Tom McGough, Mayor

Sheila Coss, Finance Officer

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Bills January 2024

3E Electrical	Service	1,142.50
A & B Business	Supplies	206.15
AGC of SD	Prof Fees	655.00
ATI	Prop Ins.	204.00
BDS	Garbage	350.00
BSE	Supplies	278.28
City Utilities	Utilities	8,985.33
Cook Implement	Parts	955.18
Cowboy Country Stores	Fuel	2,016.03
DPC	Service	358.16
Frontier Precision	Subscript.	1,650.00
Hammill, Brandon	Reimb.	56.00
Hand County LCIA	Booth/Donation	200.00
Hand County Publishing	Subscript.	55.00
First Bank & Trust	Power	2,830.50
Helms & Associates	Prof Fees	5,097.62
John Deere Financial	Repairs	72.52
Make It Mine Designs	Skid Shoe Assy (2)	160.34
Manning, Terry	Reimb.	152.48
McLeod's	Supplies	52.33
Milbank WinWater	Meters	4,198.04
Miller Ace	Supplies	773.12
MMUA	Prof Fees	6,350.65
Napa	Parts	44.16
NECOG	Dues	1,748.45
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	16.84
OHED	Industry/80% BBB	11,967.84
Postmaster	Postage	370.00
Prairieland Collections	Prof Fees	100.00
Pump 'N Pak	Fuel	43.13
Riter Rogers Law	Prof Fees	227.50
Rural Development	Loans	16,403.00
SD DANR	Fee	1,500.00
SD DOR	Excise/ Sales Tax	7,764.83
SD DOT	Salt	616.78
SDARWS	Regist.	700.00
Servall	Service	118.59
Share Corp	Supplies	596.57
SD 811	Locates	45.92
SPN	Prof Fees	3,750.00
Stobbs Sales	Repairs	353.83
Storey Kenworthy	Supplies	892.32
Tony's Repair	Repairs	56.70
US Bank	Loan	18,165.39
Visa	Water/Supplies	20,533.55
WAPA	Power	56,708.94
	Accounts Payable Total	<u>\$179,523.57</u>

Payroll Salary plus		12/29/2023,		
Benefits by Department:		01/04/2024, 01/18/2024		
Department		w/o OT	OT	Total
41101 COUNCIL		3,401.76	0.00	3,401.76
41402 FINANCE OFFICE		6,842.10	0.00	6,842.10
41902 BUILDING		378.39	0.00	378.39
42101 POLICE		27,153.14	3,369.30	30,522.44
43101 STREET		18,219.07	1,577.11	19,796.18
43201 SEWER		11,863.92	721.80	12,585.72
43305 WATER		11,863.73	721.79	12,585.52
43403 ELECTRIC		27,026.48	316.01	27,342.49
		<u>\$106,748.59</u>	<u>\$6,706.01</u>	<u>\$113,454.60</u>