

CITY OF MILLER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2020

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 Wednesday, January 22, 2020.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ron Blachford, Aldermen: Jim Odegaard, Tony Rangel, Bob Steers, Jeff Swartz, Joe Zeller and Alderwoman SuAnne Meyer.

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

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

AGENDA: Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of a Special Event Liquor License. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Alderwoman Meyer, seconded by Alderman Rangel to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on January 6, 2020. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Alderwoman Meyer commented that she was very impressed with the number of people that showed up for the *Ask a Council Member* meeting that was held at the community center on January 15, 2020. We appreciate the great questions and input from the public. Thank you to everyone who came.

NEW BUSINESS

Miller Swim Club: Tiffany Hofer spoke on behalf of the Miller Swim Club of which several members were present at the meeting. The board members felt that they were told they need to be in charge of the design and fundraising committees for the possible new pool, and they do not know what is expected of them. Alderman Steers explained that he felt that Jill VanderWerff and Nikki Flor were very capable and represented the future with young children that will use the pool for many years. They did not intend to imply that the responsibility lay solely on the swim club. Alderwoman Meyer explained that no one actually knows what is expected of the committees and that a representative from Burbach Aquatics will be here on Tuesday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m. to explain the process. Jill VanderWerff stated that she will be happy to forward an invitation to the meeting to some people she thought would be interested. The city will create an invitation on Facebook for anyone who may be interested to please attend the informational meeting.

Chief Speck – Dog Kennel: Chief Speck explained that Dakota Vet will no longer offer to keep any dogs for the city that have been captured running at large. Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Steers to have Speck purchase a dog kennel with a heater for approximately \$2,000. Speck did not budget for this item so his budget will be reviewed towards the end of the year for possible supplementation. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Snow Removal: Alderman Rangel had a list of questions/issues that were brought to the council's attention at the *Ask a Council Member* meeting as well as from a few other individuals around town. Rangel addressed all of the issues and the intentions for rectifying them. Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Zeller to cancel the 3 previous snow removal bills that were sent due to internal issues. Any future bills will be enforced. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Rodney Gortmaker, Sr. asked about the possibility of using a snow gate for snow removal. Alderman Swartz stated that the street committee will discuss the pros and cons of snow gates with Street Superintendent Ron Hoftiezer.

Electric Project DGR Invoices: Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Swartz to approve DGR Engineering invoices 238881-238884 for a total of \$10,744.24. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

SDMEA – Bill Lewellen: Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Steers to have Bill Lewellen attend the SDMEA convention in Watertown on March 3 & 4. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution 2020-1: Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Rangel to approve Resolution 2020-1 Annual Salaries. Roll call vote: Alderman Steers – aye, Alderwoman Meyer – aye, Alderman Rangel – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Swartz – aye. Motion carried.

Resolution 2020-2: Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Odegaard approve Resolution 2020-2 Surplus. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Resolution 2020-3: Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderwoman Meyer to approve Resolution 2020-3 Bad Debt. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Bad Debt/Surcharges: Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Steers to table a decision regarding surcharges on bad debt accounts until February 3. Finance Officer Sheila Coss will do a little more research on the subject. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Interlocal Government Agreement: Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Swartz to sign the Interlocal Government Agreement with the City of St. Lawrence. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Special Event Liquor License: Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to approve the special event liquor license for Willie’s Bar and Grill to serve alcohol at the community center on January 31 for the hospital Christmas party. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Steers to approve the bills. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Steers to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Ronald Blachford, Mayor

Sheila Coss, Finance Officer

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Bills January 2019 (2)

A & B Business	Copier Meter	148.36
A+ Tire	Repairs	253.42
American Solutions	Supplies	179.27
AT&T Mobility	Cell Phone	45.14
Civil Design Inc	Prof Fees	8,022.50
CNH Industrial	Supplies	691.80
Cowboy Country	Fuel	201.94
DGR	Cap Imp	10,744.24
Elan	Supplies	706.13
Farnam's	Parts	80.34
Brandon Hammill	Reimb	11.00
Hand County Publishing	Books/Publications	416.59
HCPD	Power	31,525.35
Hughes Electric	Repairs	275.51
Kessler's	Supplies	16.70
Terry Manning	Reimb	71.48
MicroFix	Repairs	160.00
Midco	Telephones	441.98
MMUA	Training	3,175.00
NECOG	Dues	1,637.66
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	284.85
Office Peeps	Supplies	28.51
OHED	Industry	6,250.00
Prairieland Collections	Prof Fees	54.90
Pro-Tec Roofing	Repairs	477.55
Riter Rogers Law Office	Prof Fees	175.00
Rural Development	Loans	16,403.00
SD Attorney General	24/7 Program	21.00
SD DENR	Stormwater Fee	250.00
SD Dept Of Public Safety	Service	2,340.00
SD DOR	Sales Tax	9,103.70
SDMEA	Registration	100.00
Siemens Industry	Ethernet	3,369.00
SD One Call	Locates	133.28
Sturdevant's	Parts	60.68
Terex	Repairs	819.48
Tony's Repair	Repairs	48.40
US Bank	Loan	154.90
WAPA	Power	52,729.69
	Accounts Payable Total	<u>\$151,608.35</u>

**Payroll Salary plus Benefits
by Department:**

		1/21/2020		
Department		w/o OT	OT	Total
41410	FINANCE OFFICE	1,305.81		1,305.81
42110	POLICE	10,089.51	867.06	10,956.57
43110	STREET	5,058.21	142.48	5,200.69
43210	SEWER	5,200.90	192.61	5,393.51
43310	WATER	5,200.82	192.59	5,393.41
43410	ELECTRIC	11,507.88	187.56	11,695.44
		<u>\$38,363.13</u>	<u>\$1,582.30</u>	<u>\$39,945.43</u>