

**CITY OF MILLER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 16, 2021**

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The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Aldermen: Jim Odegaard, Tony Rangel, Bob Steers, Jeff Swartz, Joe Zeller and Alderwoman Tammy Lichty. Absent: Mayor Ron Blachford.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Rangel called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

**AGENDA:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Swartz to approve the agenda. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on February 1, 2021. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Mary Jo Gortmaker presented a list of complaints to the council regarding the police department, the street department, and current surcharges. Mike Beaner asked about the electric poles and lines that are still present on the east side of town. Alderman Steers stated that retiring the old electrical system is a project for this summer. Will Page found a 1964 city map at the courthouse. He will take it back to his office if the city does not have a place to hang it.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Petition for Countywide Law Enforcement:** Finance Officer Sheila Coss denied a petition received from Mary Jo Gortmaker regarding countywide law enforcement after consultation with the city attorney. The petition was not in proper form for placement on the ballot. Alderman Steers informed the public that Kecia Beranek, On Hand Economic Development, is setting up a meeting with the city, county and the public to discuss the feasibility of countywide law enforcement.

**2020 Year-end Financials:** Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Swartz to approve transferring \$77,000 from the general fund checking to the airport project checking, and to transfer from the checking account, for the following funds, to CDs at Quoin: \$450,000 general fund, \$25,000 BBB-pool, and \$400,000 electric. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Sandbagging Equipment:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Steers to pay \$700.00 to Hand County for sandbagging equipment. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2021-4:** Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to approve the reading of Resolution 2021-4 – Surplus Property. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Helms & Associates – Engineering Services:** Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to approve the engineering services for Helms & Associates to complete Airport Project #3-46-0035-12-2021. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Helms & Associates – Geotechnical Exploration:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Zeller to hire Soil Technologies, Inc. to do the soil boring for Airport Project #3-46-0035-12-2021 at the advice of Helms & Associates. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**SPN & Associates – Flood Study Agreement:** Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderman Steers to hire SPN & Associates to do the flood study for the southeast corner of

Miller and the area north of Highway 14 between East 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenues. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Municode Estimate – Supplement 6:** Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Swartz to pay approve the Municode Supplement 6 for \$889.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**MicroFix, Inc. Computer Quote:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve ordering a computer for Cindy Deuter, Deputy Finance Officer from MicroFix, Inc. for \$909.00 plus installation fees. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Willie’s Bar & Grill – Special Event Liquor License:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to approve a special event liquor license for Willie’s Bar & Grill to serve alcohol at the community center on March 3, 2021. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**New York Life – Group Life Policy:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Steers to have Donna Bourdon, New York Life, offer group life insurance to the employees. After discussion all members voted nay. Motion failed. Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to table a decision regarding group life insurance until a later date. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Correspondence – Paint SD:** The council was given information regarding Paint SD where people can nominate a homeowner to have their house painted by volunteers at no cost to the resident.

**Approval of the Bills:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Swartz to approve the bills. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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Ronald Blachford, Mayor

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Sheila Coss, Finance Officer

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**Bills February 2021 (2)**

A & B Business	Used & New Copiers	4,447.77
Agtegra	Fuel	201.72
American Solutions	Supplies	44.19
Brookings Area CTC	Supplies	60.00
CK Welding	Supplies	196.31
Coss Agency	John Green prints (4)	572.00
Cowboy Country Stores	Fuel	757.07
Drivers License Guide Company	ID Guide	31.95
Elan	Supplies	1,745.18
Family Crisis Center	Donation	1,500.00
Farnam's	Parts	31.80
Frontier Precision	Subscription	1,650.00
Hand County Publishing	Publications	288.47
HCPD	Power	13,950.49
Light and Siren	Vehicle Equip.	6,732.74
MDRWS	Water	16,351.75
Midco	Telephones	465.70
Miller Ace	Supplies	1,312.39
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	979.34
OHED	Industry	6,250.00
Overhead Door Co.	Repairs	220.61
Riter Rogers Law	Prof Fees	1,872.50
Rural Development	Loans	16,403.00
SD Dept of Revenue	Sales Tax	8,495.59
Share Corp	Supplies	236.66
Sturdevant's	Parts	176.24
Tony's Repair	Repairs	80.00
WAPA	Power	54,412.29
	Accounts Payable Total	<u>\$139,465.76</u>

**Payroll Salary plus**

<b>Benefits by Department:</b>		2/16/2021		
	Department	w/o OT	OT	Total
41402	FINANCE OFFICE	1,409.86	0.00	1,409.86
42101	POLICE	11,061.66	849.84	11,911.50
43101	STREET	5,227.96	0.00	5,227.96
43201	SEWER	5,483.26	44.33	5,527.59
43305	WATER	5,483.17	44.32	5,527.49
43403	ELECTRIC	6,050.01	0.00	6,050.01
		<u>\$34,715.92</u>	<u>\$938.49</u>	<u>\$35,654.41</u>