

CITY OF MILLER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 15, 2021

The City of Miller is an equal opportunity employer.

The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 15, 2021.

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

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

MINUTES: Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Steers to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on March 1, 2021, and the special meetings held on March 8, 2021, and March 11, 2021. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Zeller to go into executive session for personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 6:08 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Zeller to come out of executive session at 7:05 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. No action taken.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Sara DeHaai – Miller Swim Club: Sara DeHaai and Tiffany Hofer were present to thank the City of Miller for their past support and to ask for continued support for 2021. Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to provide a lifeguard and the pool at no charge to the swim club for the 2021 swim season. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Bill & Nancy Lewellen Plat: Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve Peterson Outlot 1 and Lewellen Outlot 1 plats. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Dakota Energy Letter: Mayor Blachford would like the council to review and approve any letter that he may write to Dakota Energy.

Election Worker Pay: Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Rangel to pay our election workers \$250.00 for election worker training and election day. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Kevin Watts volunteered to work at the election for no payment.

Joint Powers Agreement: Council members reviewed the joint powers agreement to create a Regional Gas Utility Authority with Sisseton, Chamberlain, Wagner, Platte, Britton, Tyndall, and Wessington Springs.

Ordinance #717 – Joint Powers Agreement: Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Swartz to approve the first reading of Ordinance #717 – Joint Powers Agreement. The council would like further clarification from the city attorney prior to the second reading. Roll call vote: Alderman Steers – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – aye, Alderman Rangel – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Swartz – aye. Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-5: Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve the reading of Resolution 2021-5 – Hazard Mitigation Plan. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

District Meeting: District 5 will hold a virtual meeting on March 22nd at 5:30 p.m. Ron Blachford, Bob Steers, Tammy Lichty, Tony Rangel, Jim Odegaard, Joe Zeller, Jeff Swartz, Sheila Coss, Terry Manning, and Ron Hoftiezer will be present for the meeting.

Write-off Bad Debt: Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to write off \$1,551.15 for account #130150001. The customer is deceased. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Hire Summer Help: Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Swartz to hire the following individuals for summer help: Lifeguards: Aubrey DeHaai - \$10.71, Cynthia Ford - \$10.71, Kaia Heilman - \$10.71, Gabrielle Naber - \$10.71, Luke Naber - \$12.24, Heather Resel - \$10.50, Preslie Russell - \$10.71, Kaden Sivertsen - \$12.47, Tori VanZee - \$11.13, Mowing: Paige Burggraff - \$10.50, and Park: Aaron Zeller - TBD. Individuals who receive their WSI or CDL are entitled to a 10% increase. Five ayes, Alderman Zeller abstained. Motion carried.

Building Permits: Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderman Steers to approve a building permit for Dale Lichty – carport and Tim & Diane Goetz – replace shed. All members voted aye. Motion carried. **Removal Permit:** Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to approve the removal permit for Don Mardian to remove a trailer house. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Appoint Zoning Administrator (Building Permits): Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to table a decision regarding the zoning administrator until the employees can be asked if anyone is interested. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Electric Superintendent/Lineman Positions: Utility Committee Chairman Rangel stated that the council has interviewed five applicants for the electric superintendent and lineman positions. Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Steers to hire one of the applicants for the superintendent and one for the lineman position. The names and wages will be disclosed at the next meeting. Roll call vote: Alderman Steers – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – aye, Alderman Rangel – aye, Alderman Odegaard – nay, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Swartz – aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS: Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty 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 8:35 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Ronald Blachford, Mayor

Sheila Coss, Finance Officer

LEGAL NOTICE OF RECEIPT

Copy of the official proceedings
was received on: _____
Published once at the
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Bills March 2021 (2)

A & B Business	Service	182.05
Agtegra	Fuel	836.94
Avera Occupational Medicine	Drug Test	89.55
Manning Digging Service	Service	150.00
Builders Cashway	Supplies	37.67
CNH Industrial	Supplies	27.00
Cowboy Country Stores	Fuel	629.40
Donlin Building	Supplies	490.02
Elan	Supplies	1,982.15
Farnam's	Parts	768.83
Fuel Tanks To Go	Fuel Tank	12,151.40
Hand County Publishing	Supplies	73.44
Hand County Treasurer	Plates	31.20
Hartman Construction	Hauling	4,393.90
HCPD	Power	96,427.64
Kessler's	Supplies	12.89
MDRWS	Water	16,164.75
Midco	Telephones	455.90
Miller Ace	Supplies	1,040.27
OHED	Industry/80% BBB	7,790.38
Petty Cash	Reimb	22.80
Prairieland Collections	Prof Fees	31.05
Rural Development	Loans	16,403.00
SD DOR	Sales Tax	11,116.10
SD Federal Property	Supplies	24.00
Share Corporation	Supplies	386.47
Sturdevant's	Parts	72.23
T.F. Luke & Sons	Gravel	7,212.21
Tony's Repair	Repair	16.95
Twin Valley Tire	Repair	20.55
WAPA	Power	43,222.94
	Accounts Payable Total	<u>\$222,263.68</u>

Payroll Salary plus

Benefits by Department:		3/16/2021		
Department		w/o OT	OT	Total
41101	COUNCIL	0.00	0.00	0.00
41402	FINANCE OFFICE	1,378.35	0.00	1,378.35
41902	BUILDING	0.00	0.00	0.00
42101	POLICE	11,369.42	1,637.80	13,007.22
43101	STREET	5,228.63	421.30	5,649.93
43201	SEWER	5,354.13	177.64	5,531.77
43305	WATER	5,354.03	177.63	5,531.66
43403	ELECTRIC	5,958.90	263.59	6,222.49
		<u>\$34,643.46</u>	<u>\$2,677.96</u>	<u>\$37,321.42</u>