

CITY OF MILLER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 3, 2024

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The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2024.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Tom McGough, Aldermen: Dale Hargens, Will Jones, Patrick Price, Gale Auch, and Landon Gab and Alderwoman Hargens.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor McGough called the meeting to order, and Pastor Will Page lead with an opening prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

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

MINUTES: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Hargens to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on May 20, 2024, and the special meeting held on May 30, 2024. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Input: Alderman Hargens addressed another issue with the new traffic signs in town. The “children at play” signs on West 1st Avenue between 8th Street and 9th Street have been removed and would like to have them returned. He stated that several children live and play in that area and traffic should be directed to slow down. Ron Hoftiezer, street superintendent, has reached out to LTAP regarding the stop signs that were removed by the swimming pool and was informed that stop signs cannot be used for the purpose of slowing down traffic. Mayor McGough indicated that the curbs have been painted yellow at the intersection of West 2nd Avenue and 1st Street to allow for unobstructed view. Pastor Will Page expressed his deep concern with the increasing number of problems with the sign project. Alderman Price would like to see the problems addressed and corrected and supports Ron Hoftiezer to change the signs as he deems necessary.

Mayor McGough has contacted the police department regarding yards that violate Ordinance #630 – Weeds - Declaration of Nuisance and reminded the public to please keep grass and weeds mowed.

Department Head Reports

Ron Hoftiezer and the street department will be picking up items for the city-wide cleanup on Thursday and Friday this week. Alderwoman Hargens spoke with Police Chief Ted Huss who has been putting in extra overtime due to the personnel situation in the department. Mayor McGough informed the public that the pool will be filled with water once the new valves arrive and are installed.

NEW BUSINESS

Street Department – 2006 Sterling DOT truck: Ron Hoftiezer and David Phinney inspected the State’s 2006 Sterling truck to replace the city’s 1979 truck. Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to have Ron Hoftiezer purchase the DOT’s surplussed truck for \$25,500. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

HR/FO School – Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Gab to send Cindy Deuter, Finance Officer and Christi Danburg, Deputy Finance Officer to the SDML HR and Finance Officers School in Spearfish on June 11-14. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Helms & Associates Invoice: Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to pay Helms & Associates invoice number 33687 for \$5,522.42. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

7:30 Board of Adjustments – Zoning Request: Mayor McGough adjourned the board as the common council and convened as the board of adjustments at 7:30 p.m. The board reviewed a zoning change request from Cooper Bebo for Miller Shine Car Wash. Bebo is requesting that

501 N Broadway be rezoned from the residential zoning district to the commercial zoning district. No citizens were present in favor nor opposition of the request. Mayor McGough reconvened the board back to the common council.

First Reading – Ordinance #754: Mayor McGough performed the first reading of Ordinance #754 – zoning change for 501 N Broadway from the residential zoning district to the commercial zoning district.

Infotech Solutions: Tyler Ruhd with Infotech Solutions, LLC, Madison, SD presented quotes for their IT and cybersecurity services. They can provide individualized tiered service to fit the city's needs and budget. All computers would be updated or new with updated operating systems to provide standard continuity within the network along with security measures to prevent cyber-attacks. Alderman Price would like the finance committee to build this into the budget for 2025 and implement some services this year. Tyler will meet with the finance office personnel to review the city's needs.

Transformer Quote: Electric superintendent, Dustin Graham requested that the electric department purchase a transformer to replace the one in stock that will be put into service for the new car wash contingent upon the zoning change. Graham also stated that the city has always stayed ahead by keeping items in stock which has allowed Miller to have options available earlier for projects and future planning and growth without having to wait on supplies. Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Gab to purchase a transformer from Stuart C. Irby as quoted for \$16,500.00 now since the lead time is 50-70 weeks out. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Ph. IV Water Storage Bid Schedule A bid: The following bids (rebid) were opened on May 29, 2024, for the city's water storage project: Bid Schedule A: Great Plains Structures, LLC, Vadnais Heights, MN - \$74,800.00, Tank Compliance Services, LLC, Mesa, AZ - \$70,600.00. Engineer's estimate - \$105,200.00. As recommended by Camden Hofer, SPN engineer, Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Auch to award Bid Schedule A to Tank Compliance Services, LLC, Mesa, AZ for \$70,600.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Building Permits: Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve the following building permits contingent upon and as noted on the applications by Dustin Graham: Skyler Chapin – fence (needs to submit a survey) and Karen Rose – front step (needs to be in line with others on the block). All members voted aye. Motion carried.

SPN Invoices: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to approve payment of SPN Phase III invoices 33776-33778 for a total of \$700.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Gab to approve payment of SPN Phase IV invoices 33771-33774 for a total of \$13,000.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to go into executive session for personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 8:19 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor McGough returned the meeting to regular session at 8:46 p.m.

Electric Department – Hire: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to the position of lineman to the interviewee for \$38/hour with a \$3/hour increase upon completion of his 4th Module of the Northwest Lineman College Lineworker Certification Program. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Gab to pay Electric Superintendent Dustin Graham, in accordance with the state average of other lineman superintendents and amongst other duties, \$47/hour with a \$3/hour increase upon completion of his 4th Module of the Northwest Lineman College Lineworker Certification Program. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Hargens to adjourn the meeting.
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m. All members voted aye.
Motion carried.

Tom McGough, Mayor

Cindy Deuter, Finance Officer

LEGAL NOTICE OF RECEIPT

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Bills June 2024 (1)		
American Solutions	Supplies	110.44
Bobs Disposal	Garbage	350.00
Fawcett Electric	Supplies	1,751.42
Hand County Publishing	Publications	3,661.79
Helms & Associates	Prof Fees	5,522.42
Inpro	Supplies	335.61
Micro-Comm	Prof Fees	5,025.00
Milbank Winwater	Supplies	445.90
Miller Fire	Hydrant Flush	360.00
Miller Rexall	Supplies	19.27
Napa Central	Parts	376.54
Northwest Pipe Fittings	Supplies	172.70
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	40.72
OHED	80% BBB	4,045.51
Orv's Yard Service	Spray/ Fertilize	320.96
Postmaster	Presort Permit #2	400.00
Ramkota	Lodging Expense	207.68
SD RWS	Annual Dues: Class B Member	615.00
SD Attorney General	24/7 Program	31.00
SD GOV FO ASSN	Register Fo Cindy	75.00
SD GOV HR ASSN	Register-Cindy& Christi	100.00
Servall	Supplies	125.54
Share	Vegetation Control	1,710.57
SDML	Membership	60.00
SPN	Prof Fees	14,000.00
Stuart C Irby	Supplies	1,081.05
Transource Truck	Parts	131.06
Twin Valley Tire	Repair	36.50
Vandiest	Supplies	6,740.80
Wesco	Supplies	709.10
Accounts Payable Total		<u>\$48,561.58</u>

Payroll Salary plus		5/30/ 2024, 05/31/ 2024,		
Benefits by Department:		6/6/2024		
	Department	w/o OT	OT	Total
41101	COUNCIL	3,654.73	0.00	3,654.73
41402	FINANCE OFFICE	2,919.89	0.00	2,919.89
41902	BUILDING	371.07	0.00	371.07
42101	POLICE	12,596.76	977.25	13,574.01
43101	STREET	7,486.03	193.80	7,679.83
43201	SEWER	5,769.52	0.00	5,769.52
43305	WATER	6,832.84	0.00	6,832.84
43403	ELECTRIC	9,522.80	154.53	9,677.33
45101	BALLPARK	1,024.82	0.00	1,024.82
45202	PARK	722.87	0.00	722.87
45103	POOL	2,107.36	0.00	2,107.36
		<u>\$53,008.69</u>	<u>\$1,325.58</u>	<u>\$54,334.27</u>