

**CITY OF MILLER**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JULY 5, 2023**

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The City Council met in regular session at city hall on Wednesday, July 5, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor McGough called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

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

**MINUTES:** Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on June 20, 2023. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Public Input:** Dustin Graham asked if anyone was interested in attending the Heartland Summer Conference. Registration is July 7<sup>th</sup>. Alderwoman Lichty apologized to Tanner DeHaai for not getting the chicken ordinance prepared to put on the agenda.

**Department Head Reports** Terry Manning stated that Morris is scheduled to pave East 4<sup>th</sup> Street tomorrow. Mayor McGough asked Ted about accidental 911 calls. 911 calls go to Huron dispatch and are then sent to the sheriff's office or the police department. Alderman Price stated that the police department was challenged to get out more. Police stops are up, so thank you to the police department. Alderwoman Lichty asked about the street pavement plans. Manning stated that any streets that were paved prior to the project will return to asphalt. Ron Hoftiezer plans to begin chip sealing some of the current gravel streets. Mayor McGough mentioned the sewer line that was missed in Phase I. The cost will be slightly more than \$4,000 to fix the missed sewer line. The missed line was an oversight between the city, SPN, and the contractor. SPN has agreed to pay \$2,000 towards the repair. Dustin Graham currently has approximately 15 meters that he can install. The remaining meters should be here in August.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Ted Huss – Tasers:** Ted Huss has requested a 5-year plan to replace the 4 tasers for the police department. Motion by Alderman Jones, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to have Ted order the tasers with a 5-year payment plan. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Swim Club – Triathlon:** Mayor McGough inadvertently missed the vote for the triathlon at the previous meeting. Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderman Price to allow the swim club to use the pool in August for a triathlon. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Electric Department – Completion of Year Two:** Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderman Hargens to give Dustin Graham a \$1.00/hour pay increase retroactive to June 22 for completing Year 2 of the MMUA lineman classes. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderman Jones to give Devin Letsche a \$1.00/hour pay increase effective July 26 for completing Year 2 of the MMUA lineman classes. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Christmas Lights at the 4-Way:** Dustin Graham asked if the Beautification Committee would like to pick out some new decorations for the 4-Way. The current decorations need repair or replacement. Alderman Price expressed an interest in assisting Alderwomen Lichty and Hargens in researching replacement decorations.

**American Bank & Trust – IntraFi Network Deposits:** Tim Bode, ABT visited with Mayor McGough and Sheila Coss about the IntraFi Network Deposit program through American Bank & Trust. According to Bode, there will be no change in what the city does as the change will be behind the scenes at the bank. The bank will offer additional interest if we sign up with IntraFi and the city funds will be available for local loans. Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to have Sheila Coss sign the agreement with IntraFi. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Water/Sewer Project:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve **TLC Olson Construction Pay Request No. 22** for \$940,216.27 contingent upon receipt of state funds. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to approve **TLC Olson Change Order # 10**. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Wetz to accept the **TLC Olson Construction Certificate of Substantial Completion**. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Hargens to approve **SPN invoices 31604 and 31606-31609** for a total of \$50,419.37. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**National Fire Safety Fire Pup Program:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to donate \$150.00 to the National Fire Safety Fire Pup Program. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Building Permits:** Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve the following building permits: Doyle Foreman - deck, Greg Palmer - fence, and Audrey & Brandon Peschong - deck/porch. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**4<sup>th</sup> Street Project:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to pay **TLC Olson Construction Pay Request 1** for \$63,977.62. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Wetz to pay **TLC Olson Construction Pay Request 2** for \$177,050.89 contingent upon receipt of state funds. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Price to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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Tom McGough, Mayor

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Sheila Coss, Finance Officer

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**Bills July 2023 (1)**

3D Communications	Radio/ Setup	150.00
American Solutions	Supplies	14.53
BDS	Garbage	350.00
Builders Solutions	Supplies	177.45
City Utilities	Utilities	5,437.59
Dakota Land Manage.	Spraying	3,839.30
Dollar General	Supplies	13.00
Fritzsche, Dan	Reimb.	13.00
Graham, Dustin	Reimb.	13.00
Hand Co. Reg. Of Deeds	Fee	30.00
Hughes Electric	Service/ Supplies	3,910.53
Kessler's	Supplies	143.80
Letsche, Devin	Reimb.	13.00
Milbank WinWater	Meters	2,322.10
Rexall	Supplies	13.19
National Fire Safety	Firepup Program	150.00
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	635.09
OHED	80% BBB	3,915.91
Petty Cash	Postage	12.74
Postmaster	Postage	375.00
Price, Craig	Supplies	123.54
Qualification Targets	Supplies	83.58
SDML	Regist.	130.00
SPN	Prof Fees	50,419.37
Stobbs	Parts	81.60
TLC Olson Construction	Ph.III Const./ E 4th St/ Sewer Dev.	1,185,326.42
USBank	Loan	18,165.39
	Accounts Payable Total	1,275,859.13

<b>Payroll Salary plus</b>		6/ 29/ 2023, 6/ 30/ 2023,		
<b>Benefits by Department:</b>		7/ 06/ 2023		
	Department	w/ o OT	OT	Total
41101	COUNCIL	3,331.78	0.00	3,331.78
41402	FINANCE OFFICE	3,248.84	0.00	3,248.84
41902	BUILDING	418.22	0.00	418.22
42101	POLICE	11,578.46	844.38	12,422.84
43101	STREET	7,357.79	287.25	7,645.04
43201	SEWER	5,557.05	439.44	5,996.49
43305	WATER	6,060.76	439.42	6,500.18
43403	ELECTRIC	10,789.39	715.74	11,505.13
45101	BALLPARK	1,736.67	0.00	1,736.67
45202	PARK	970.36	0.00	970.36
45103	POOL	9,649.55	174.04	9,823.59
		\$60,698.87	\$2,900.27	\$63,599.14