

**CITY OF MILLER**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**AUGUST 15, 2022**

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The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 15, 2022.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Aldermen: Jim Odegaard, Jeff Swartz, Mike Wetz, Joe Zeller, and Alderwomen Susan Hargens and Tammy Lichty. Mayor Ron Blachford was present via phone.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Swartz 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. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on August 1, 2022. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** Mike Beaner stated that he had met with the utility committee and Camden Hofer, SPN, a year ago regarding our housing development ordinances, specifically Ordinance #674. The city cannot currently follow the ordinance due to lack of employee time and financial resources. The ordinance will be referred to the utility committee for immediate review.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #733:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve the second reading of Ordinance #733 – Fire Hydrant Meter. Roll call vote: Alderwoman Hargens – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – aye, Alderman Wetz – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Swartz – aye. Motion carried.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #734:** Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve the second reading of Ordinance #734 – Fee Schedule. Roll call vote: Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderwoman Hargens – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – aye, Alderman Wetz – aye, Alderman Swartz – aye. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Swimming Pool Overview/Prices/Refunds:** Sheila Coss read pool manager, Sydney Jessen's 2022 pool overview. The pool had a very good year. It was open June 8 - August 13, there were a total of 4,804 swimmers, 60 private lessons, 186 regular swim lessons, 179 for water aerobics, and 104 for lap swim. The pool revenue for 2022 was \$20,939.56, \$700.00 over 2021.

**Phase III Paving 2022 or 2023:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to table this matter until September 6, 2022. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Delta Dental:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve the addition of orthodontics coverage to our Delta Dental policy. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-12:** Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to approve Resolution 2022-12 – Phase III Alternative Signature as amended. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-13:** Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to approve Resolution 2022-13 – On Hand Housing. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**KBA Corrective Action Plan:** Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to approve Mayor Blachford's corrective action plan for the KBA audit. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**KBA Representation Letter:** KBA Representation letter was presented to the council for review.

**Special Meeting:** There will be a special meeting held on August 22<sup>nd</sup> for a liquor license transfer.

**Special Event Liquor License:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve the special event liquor licenses for Willie's Bar & Grill to serve alcohol at the community center on September 10<sup>th</sup> and September 24<sup>th</sup>. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Countywide Law Enforcement:** Alderman Odegard stated that the Public Safety committee has been gathering information pertaining to countywide law enforcement. Mayor Blachford stated that we want the public aware that this topic is being worked on, but there is a mountain of work that needs to be done before a decision can be made. Gale Auch asked who is pushing this topic. He stated that Miller residents should not have to pay any more towards countywide law enforcement than other county residents. Tony Rangel requested that the matter be brought to the public for vote. Alderwoman Hargens stated that they want to do what is best for the city with the same protection. Will Page has done a lot with the city police and sheriff as a pastor, president of the ministerial association, and as a private citizen. He feels that this issue was started with a complaint that should be dealt with as quickly as possible. We have a good situation right now, and it will cost almost the same to have the same coverage. Alderman Zeller stated that there is a lot more to look at before we can even meet with the public. This topic was referred to the committee for further research.

**Building Permits:** Motion by Alderman Odegard, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve the following building permits: Paul & Rhonda Jorgensen – replace steps, Shawn Slunecka – fence, Cindy Gilbertson – remove shed, Gene Labor – add onto deck. 5 members voted aye, Alderman Zeller abstained. Motion carried.

**Approval of the Bills:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve the bills along with the July 2022 credit card payments. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Wetz to go into executive session for personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 8:08 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. The council came out of executive session at 10:20 p.m. The Public Safety committee will come up with an On Call Policy for the police department.

Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Wetz to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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Jeff Swartz, President

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Sheila Coss, Finance Officer

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**Bills August 2022 (2)**

A & B Business	Supplies	207.91
A-Ox Welding	Supplies	19.90
American Solutions	Supplies	174.82
City Of Lake Preston	Streetlights	200.00
Civic Plus	Prof Fees	995.00
Cowboy Country Stores	Fuel	1,994.74
DGR Engineering	Prof Fees	476.00
Forte	Prof Fees	288.00
Fulton Fencing	Fence Repairs	14,669.11
Graham, Dustin	Reimb	14.00
HCPD	Power	19,610.60
Huber, Annie	Refund	120.00
Kessler's	Supplies	96.78
Larry's Repair	Repairs	160.00
Letsche, Devin	Reimb	14.00
Lyle Signs	Signs	265.64
Mastercard	Supplies (Jul-Aug)	70,477.96
Miller Ace	Supplies	810.95
Miller Concrete	Concrete	121.25
Napa Central	Parts	151.46
Northwest Pipe	Supplies	273.30
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	30.25
OHED	Industry	6,750.00
Petty Cash	Reimb	33.58
Prairie Wind Promotions	Supplies	43.32
Prairieland Collections	Prof Fees	176.83
Rural Development	Loans	16,403.00
SD DOR	Sales Tax	7,278.06
Sturdevant's	Supplies	165.84
Tony's Repair	Repairs	55.70
WAPA	Power	37,766.85
Wesco	Supplies	14,030.00
	Accounts Payable Total	<u>\$193,874.85</u>

**Payroll Salary plus**

<b>Benefits by Department:</b>		8/11/2022 & 8/18/2022		
Department		w/o OT	OT	Total
41402	FINANCE OFFICE	3,149.40	0.00	3,149.40
42101	POLICE	9,710.09	2,951.78	12,661.87
43101	STREET	6,357.95	392.97	6,750.92
43201	SEWER	5,807.46	789.84	6,597.30
43305	WATER	5,807.37	789.83	6,597.20
43403	ELECTRIC	9,188.50	527.58	9,716.08
45101	BALLPARK	419.84	0.00	419.84
45103	POOL	7,880.18	0.00	7,880.18
		<u>\$48,320.79</u>	<u>\$5,452.00</u>	<u>\$53,772.79</u>