

**CITY OF MILLER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2020**

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The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2020.

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

**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 Zeller to approve the agenda. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on August 17, 2020, and the special meetings on August 20, 2020, and September 2, 2020. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #711 – Budget Supplement:** Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Steers to approve the second reading of Ordinance #711 – Budget Supplement. Roll call vote: Alderman Steers – aye, Alderwoman Meyer – aye, Alderman Rangel – aye, Alderman Odegaard – absent, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Swartz – aye. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Special Event Liquor Licenses:** Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve the special event liquor licenses for Willie's Bar & Grill to serve alcohol at the community center on September 19, 2020, and October 3, 2020. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Shannon Speck – Police Car:** Motion by Alderman Rangel seconded by Alderman Zeller, to have Shannon Speck order a new police car. Roll call vote: Alderman Steers – aye, Alderwoman Meyer – aye, Alderman Rangel – aye, Alderman Odegaard – absent, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Swartz – aye. Motion carried.

**Terry Manning – Portable Fuel System:** Motion by Alderwoman Meyer to purchase the portable fuel system for the airport from TrueNorth Steel without the cabinet. Motion died due to lack of a second. Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Swartz to have Terry Manning order the portable fuel system for the airport from Fuel Tanks to Go, LLC. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Ron Hoftiezer – Oil Distribution Truck:** Motion by Alderwoman Meyer, seconded by Alderman Swartz to give Ron Hoftiezer permission to bid on a Brown County oil distribution truck at an auction to be held in October. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Mid-Dakota 2021 Water Rates:** There will not be an increase in the water rates charged to the city from Mid-Dakota Rural Water for 2021.

**Standing Desk for Cindy Deuter:** Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Steers to order a sit-stand desk for Cindy Deuter from Interstate Office Products through the state bid. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Electric Project: DGR Invoices** Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Rangel to pay DGR Engineering \$6,579.00 for invoices 242166-242169. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Water & Sewer Project Invoices:** Motion by Alderman Swartz, seconded by Alderwoman Meyer to approve **SPN** Phase II invoices 22101-22103 and **SPN** Phase III invoices 22098-22100 for a total of \$44,456.12. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve **Dahme** Pay Request No. 20 for \$186,530.42. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman

Swartz to pay **TLC Olson Const., LLC** Pay Request No. 1 for \$290,692.84. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**JDH Construction Certificate of Substantial Completion:** Motion by Alderwoman Meyer, seconded by Alderman Steers to have Mayor Blachford sign the JDH Construction certificate of substantial completion for the Crystal Park storm shelter. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**First Reading of Ordinance #712:** Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Swartz to approve the first reading of Ordinance #712 – 2021 Appropriations with two category corrections. Roll call vote: Alderman Steers – aye, Alderwoman Meyer – aye, Alderman Rangel – aye, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Swartz – aye, Alderman Odegaard – absent. Motion carried.

**Sound System – Loaner from Patrick Price:** Patrick Price brought speakers and a microphone to test the sound transfer to the city’s YouTube channel. It was determined that the system was not efficient and other options need to be explored.

**Article to *The Miller Press*:** Mayor Blachford would like to begin a monthly “From the Mayor’s Desk” article for *The Miller Press*.

**Building Permits:** Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Rangel to approve the following building permits: Megan Stevens – front steps, Wendy Hofer – remove fence and shed, City of Miller – remove old restrooms at Crystal Park. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Austin Claeys, USDA has accepted a position with Rural Development of Minnesota. Brian Ring will fill the position as our loan specialist with Rural Development.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve the bills. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderwoman Meyer to go into executive session for personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 8:42 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Swartz to come out of executive session at 9:04 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. No action taken.

Motion by Alderman Zeller, seconded by Alderman Steers to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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Ronald Blachford, Mayor

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Sheila Coss, Finance Officer

LEGAL NOTICE OF RECEIPT  
Copy of the official proceedings  
was received on: \_\_\_\_\_  
Published once at the  
approximate cost of: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bills September 2020 (1)**

A & B Business Solutions	Copier Meter	150.85
A-Ox Welding	CO2	19.28
Agtegra	Fuel	1,223.18
BDS	Garbage	179.00
Builders Cashway	Supplies	545.86
Builders Solutions	Supplies	23.26
City Utilities	Utilities	7,045.31
Civil Design	Prof Fees	3,069.00
CK Welding	Repairs	90.00
Code Enforcement Specialists	Code Enforcement	1,460.48
Dahme Construction	Ph.II Construction	186,530.42
DGR Engineering	Cap Imp	6,579.00
Farnam's	Parts	200.03
Fastenal	Supplies	5.66
Fischer Plumbing	Repairs	60.63
Flint Hills Resources	Asphalt Material	19,903.12
Forterra Pipe	Pipes	578.20
Hand County Publishing	Publications	372.27
HCPD	Power	16,307.06
Insurance Benefits	Liab Ins	1,090.00
Interstate Office Products	Sit-Stand Desk	2,910.46
Jazzy's Repair	Repairs	226.05
JDH Construction	Prof Fees	1,800.00
John Deere Financial	Repairs	1,641.28
Kessler's	Supplies	47.88
MARC	Supplies	719.05
MDRWS	Water	17,781.75
Midco	Telephones	450.48
Midco Diving	Tank Cleaning/Inspection	2,498.00
Milbank WinWater	Supplies	154.22
Miller Ace	Supplies	516.24
Miller Rexall	Supplies	52.35
Morris Inc	Sand Seal	4,840.65
Municode	Prof Fees	995.00
Northwest Pipe Fittings	Supplies	55.20
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	154.30
OHED	80% BBB Comm Ctr.	2,827.41
Postmaster	Postage	325.00
Resco	Cable	396.00
SD Public Health	Tests	105.00
SD Dept of Public Safety	Service	2,340.00
SD DOT	Signs	64.00
Share Corporation	Supplies	2,694.01
SPN	Prof Fees	45,456.12
Streicher's	Supplies	748.80
Stuart C Irby	Hi-Vis Clothing	915.00
Sturdevant's	Parts	5.68
TLC Olson Construction	Ph.III Construction	290,692.84
Uline	Supplies	485.05
Vosika Fencing	Gate Rollers	270.00
WAPA	Power	39,443.70
Wilbur-Ellis	Fuel	621.97
	Accounts Payable Total	\$667,666.10

**Payroll Salary plus Benefits  
by Department:**

8/25/2020 & 8/31/2020  
& 9/01/2020

Department	w/o OT	OT	Total
41110 COUNCIL	2,449.05	0.00	2,449.05
41410 FINANCE OFFICE	1,296.66	0.00	1,296.66
41910 BUILDING	323.72	0.00	323.72
42110 POLICE	10,694.37	1,031.76	11,726.13
43110 STREET	6,673.00	373.53	7,046.53
43210 SEWER	5,186.31	985.89	6,172.20
43310 WATER	5,186.23	985.88	6,172.11
43410 ELECTRIC	8,382.50	276.38	8,658.88
45210 PARK	143.86	0.00	143.86
45310 POOL	1,428.00	0.00	1,428.00
	\$41,763.70	\$3,653.44	\$45,417.14

