

CITY OF MILLER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 7, 2022

The City of Miller is an equal opportunity employer.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ron Blachford, Aldermen: Tom McGough, Jim Odegaard, Mike Wetz, Joe Zeller, and Alderwomen: Susan Hargens and Tammy Lichty.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Blachford 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. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Alderman McGough, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on October 17 and the special meeting held November 1, 2022. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Alderwoman Lichty addressed Tony Rangel's concerns from the prior meeting. The council feels it is inappropriate to address rumors or criticize citizens in a public forum. Council will not dictate the private lives of their employees. Corrine Odegaard gave the council thank you pictures from the Hand in Hand Daycare kids for the 2023 utility assistance.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Ron Hoftiezer stated that he has completed two camping pads at the park. He will try to get more in this fall, weather permitting. The bathhouse will be winterized this week as the temperatures will be below zero. Alderman McGough appreciates seeing the departments all working together on projects. Terry Manning stated that Olson's construction is attempting to find the water line to one home; they may need to install a new line.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading of Ordinance #735: Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance #735 - Budget Supplement. Roll call vote: Alderwoman Hargens – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – aye, Alderman Wetz – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Zeller – Aye, Alderman McGough – aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Water/Wastewater Project Pay Requests: Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve SPN Phase III invoices 27186, 27187, 27196, 27197 for a total of \$47,958.79. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman McGough to pay **TLC Olson Construction, LLC** Payment No. 19 for \$285,883.78. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve **TLC Olson Construction, LLC** Change Order No. Six. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Water/Sewer Phase IV Options: Alderman McGough read through the options for Phase IV. The original Phase IV includes replacing all asbestos water lines, abandoning the wells, water storage tank improvements, water loop on East 3rd Avenue and installing sewer north of St. Ann's for the new On Hand housing development and continuing to Donlin Street. Option A is to proceed with the funding that has been awarded from DANR. DANR funding is approximately 25% grant for the wastewater and 65% grant for the water projects. These funds are short of the necessary funds to complete the above project due to inflation and would add a \$7.15 water surcharge and \$3.70 sewer surcharge. Option B is to apply for additional funds from Rural Development to complete the original Phase IV plans. Rates would be determined based on the funding package we receive from RD. Option C would be to reduce the project by taking out the replacement of the asbestos water lines and leaving the remainder of the project as is.

DANR would keep the grant/loan percentages the same as the original package. These options will be discussed again when the Rural Development funding options are available.

Residency Requirements: The current employee manual indicates that all employees must be within 10 minutes of the municipality as a condition of employment. Alderwoman Lichty stated that Chief Ted Huss plans to make Miller his permanent residence. Further discussion was held regarding the 10-minute requirement. Alderwoman Lichty mentioned that even medical personnel are given 20 minutes to respond.

1st Reading of Ordinance #736: Mayor Blachford read the first reading of Ordinance #736 – Budget Supplement.

1st Reading of Ordinance #737: Mayor Blachford read the first reading of Ordinance #737 – 2023 Appropriations.

1st Reading of Ordinance #738: Mayor Blachford read the first reading of Ordinance #738 – Water & Sewer Base Fees.

1st Reading of Ordinance #739: Mayor Blachford read the first reading of Ordinance #739 – Water Rates.

SDARWS Nomination: Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to nominate Terry Manning for the SDARWS board. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Building Permits: Motion by Alderman McGough, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve a removal permit for Diane Goetz to remove a house and a building permit for Titan Machinery to build an accessory building. Five members voted aye, Alderman Wetz abstained. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Zeller to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 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: _____
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Bills November 2022 (1)

A & B Business	Copier Meter	229.25
American Solutions	Supplies	37.81
Avera Occ. Med.	Test	105.00
BDS	Garbage	350.00
Builders Cashway	Supplies	31.41
Builders Solutions	Supplies	62.96
City Utilities	Utilities	6,793.47
Civic Plus	Prof Fees	225.00
CNH Industrial	Repairs	632.34
Dakota Land Mgmt	Spraying	1,504.44
DGR Engineering	Prof Fees	2,142.00
gWorks	Annual Fees	9,058.00
Harve's Sport Shop	Supplies	277.93
Hoftiezer, Ron	Reimb	41.00
Pioneer Garage	Repairs	231.11
Milbank WinWater	Supplies	1,596.68
Miller Ace	Supplies	454.08
MMUA	Prof Fees	2,152.38
Napa	Parts	323.56
Nelson, Dave	Solar Sellback	344.80
Northwest Pipe	Supplies	4,399.56
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	19.69
Oakley Repair	Repairs	881.71
OHED	80% BBB	4,112.03
Postmaster	Postage	435.00
Price, Craig	Reimb	224.69
Riter Rogers Law	Prof Fees	192.50
SD DOT	Salt	560.00
SD Fed Property Agency	Supplies	545.00
SDML Workers' Comp	Workers Comp	16,450.00
SDWWA	Membership	20.00
Small Engine House	Repairs	90.30
SD Arms Co	Supplies	849.07
SPN	Prof Fees	55,558.79
TLC Olson Construction	Construction Ph.III	285,883.78
Tony's Repair	Repairs	739.66
Twin Valley Tire	Repairs	303.90
US Bank	Loans	48,279.18
WAPA	Power	34,136.19
Wesco	Supplies	1,540.69
	Accounts Payable Total	<u>\$481,814.96</u>

**Payroll Salary plus
Benefits by Department:**

10/27/2022 & 10/31/2022
& 11/10/2022

Department	w/o OT	OT	Total
41101 COUNCIL	4,139.16	0.00	4,139.16
41402 FINANCE OFFICE	6,233.65	4.33	6,237.98
41902 BUILDING	368.23	0.00	368.23
42101 POLICE	18,253.01	5,912.86	24,165.87
43101 STREET	15,128.73	0.00	15,128.73
43201 SEWER	10,766.55	1,857.53	12,624.08
43305 WATER	11,001.45	1,857.49	12,858.94
43403 ELECTRIC	18,236.43	276.81	18,513.24
45101 BALLPARK	145.33	0.00	145.33
45202 PARK	1,338.82	0.00	1,338.82
	<u>\$85,611.36</u>	<u>\$9,909.02</u>	<u>\$95,520.38</u>