

**CITY OF MILLER**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 21, 2022**

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The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2022.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Ron Blachford, Aldermen: Tom McGough, Jim Odegaard, Mike Wetz, Joe Zeller, and Alderwomen: Susan Hargens. Tammy Lichty arrived at 7:12.

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

**MINUTES:** Motion by Alderman McGough, seconded by Alderman Zeller to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on November 7, 2022. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #736:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #736 – Budget Supplement. Roll call vote: Alderwoman Hargens – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – absent, Alderman Wetz – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman McGough – aye. Motion carried.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #737:** Motion by Alderman McGough, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #737 – 2023 Appropriations. Roll call vote: Alderman McGough – aye, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Wetz – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – absent, Alderwoman Hargens – aye. Motion carried.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #738:** Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #738 – Water and Sewer base fees. Roll call vote: Alderman McGough – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderwoman Hargens – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – absent, Alderman Wetz – aye. Motion carried.

Alderwoman Lichty arrived at 7:12.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #739:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #739 – Water Rates. Roll call vote: Alderwoman Hargens – aye, Alderman Zeller – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Wetz – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – aye, Alderman McGough – aye. Motion carried.

**Park Camping:** Motion by Alderman McGough, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to move forward with the changes to the code for park camping. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Residency Requirements:** Alderman McGough read the following change to the Employee Policy Manual:

**4.12      Residency Requirement**

Residency within 15 miles of the municipality shall be a condition of employment for all employees. An applicant, however, shall not be discriminated against because of non-residency in the municipality and shall be given a reasonable amount of time not to exceed six (6) months, if hired, to establish residency within 15 miles of the municipality. Seasonal employees exempt.

Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to implement the above employee policy change. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Meeting Date Changes:** Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderman McGough that due to Monday holidays, regular meeting dates will be as follows: New Year’s Day – January 3, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – January 17, President’s Day – February 21, Juneteenth – June 20, and Labor Day – September 5. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Wetz, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to change the following meeting dates due to school concerts on Monday meeting dates: December 19 to December 20, 2022 – High School Christmas Concert and May 1 to May 2, 2023 – K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Concert. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution No. 2022-16:** Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderwoman Lichty to approve Resolution No. 2022-16 – Surplus. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**CMA Account:** Mayor Blachford, finance committee: Joe Zeller, Tammy Lichty, and Mike Wetz, along with Finance Officer Sheila Coss made the decision to transfer the funds in the city savings account that were receiving 0.25% interest into a CMA account that receives 1.75% interest. \$1,000,000 was also transferred from the checking account into the CMA account. These accounts are all at American Bank & Trust. Alderman Zeller commented that the CMA funds are easily accessible if needed.

**Liquor License Renewals:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to approve the following liquor license renewals: DOLGEN MIDWEST LLC (Dollar General) – Retail (on-off) Wine and Cider, Curt Telkamp – Package (off-sale) Liquor, KR Miller, LLC (Kessler’s) – Package (off-sale) Liquor, MILAN, INC (Pump & Pak) – Package (off-sale) Liquor, Miller Rexall Drug Co – Retail (on-off sale) Wine and Cider, Pat’s Place (Sommers Bar & Lounge) – Retail (on-sale) Liquor, Redneck Paradise, Inc (Pop A Top) – Retail (on-sale) Liquor, Redneck Paradise, Inc (Pop A Top) – Package (off-sale) Liquor, Redneck Paradise, Inc, (Cockeyed Mule) – Retail (on-sale) Liquor, Turtle Creek Saloon, LLC – Retail (on-sale) Liquor. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Building Permit:** Motion by Alderman McGough, seconded by Alderman Wetz to approve a building permit for Tom Schmeidler, SBA Construction to build a Family Dollar Tree. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Approval of the Bills:** Motion by Alderman Odegaard, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to approve the bills. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Wetz to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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Ronald Blachford, Mayor

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Sheila Coss, Finance Officer

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**Bills November 2022 (2)**

A & B Business	Supplies	207.00
Cook Implement	Rent	190.00
Cowboy Country Stores	Fuel	1,908.01
Dakota Energy	Prof Fees	10,384.85
Deuter, Cindy	Reimb	30.00
DGR Engineering	Prof Fees	238.00
First Bank & Trust	Loan	412,492.52
Fritzsche, Dan	Reimb	30.00
Graham, Dustin	Reimb	30.00
Hammill, Brandon	Reimb	30.00
HCPD	Power	1,778.71
Henson, Jim	Reimb	37.00
Intoximeters	Supplies	190.00
Kessler's	Supplies	67.34
Mastercard	Water/Supplies	29,988.40
Mid Dakota Veg Mgmt	Maint.	203.50
Morris Inc	Sand Seal	15,000.64
NASASP	Dues	39.00
Oakley Farm & Ranch	Supplies	82.08
OHED	Industry	6,750.00
Overhead Door Co	Repairs	762.86
Ramkota Hotel	Lodging	404.00
Resco	Supplies	160.00
Rural Development	Loans	16,403.00
SD DOR	Sales Tax	7,696.39
SDMEA	Dues	1,443.00
SDML	Dues	1,594.13
Servall	Service	112.01
Testerman, Shirley	K-1st cupcakes	96.00
TLC Olson Construction	Replace Curb	408.16
Wesco	Supplies	92.64
	Accounts Payable Total	<u>\$508,849.24</u>

**Payroll Salary plus**

**Benefits by Department:**

		11/23/2022		
	Department	w/o OT	OT	Total
41402	FINANCE OFFICE	3,149.40	0.00	3,149.40
42101	POLICE	11,252.68	3,712.35	14,965.03
43101	STREET	7,090.09	110.84	7,200.93
43201	SEWER	5,507.85	383.29	5,891.14
43305	WATER	5,507.77	383.25	5,891.02
43403	ELECTRIC	9,586.65	0.00	9,586.65
		<u>\$42,094.44</u>	<u>\$4,589.73</u>	<u>\$46,684.17</u>