**CITY OF MILLER**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**APRIL 8, 2025**

*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 Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Tom McGough, Aldermen: Dale Hargens, Will Jones, Gale Auch, and Landon Gab and Alderwoman Susan Hargens. Alderman Price arrived at 7:10 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor McGough called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

**AGENDA:** Motion by Alderman Jones, seconded by Alderman Auch to approve the agenda with one deletion under Old Business. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Hargens to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held March 17, 2025. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

None.

**Department Head Reports**

Mayor McGough addressed the following matters with the respective department heads: the State’s West Nile Grant will not be available this year, $8,500 was received in 2024; pavers will be in town around June 8th to pave the streets from last year’s construction, the county will help grind the streets that were not eligible on the Utility Improvements Project; according to an email from Eric Norden, Miller School Superintendent, TLC Olson Construction informed him that they will be working near the school around April 14th, the city’s quarterly financials will be reviewed at the next city council meeting; and, thanks to Allison Nelson’s efforts, the new city website went live on March 25. *Alderman Price arrived at 7:10 p.m. after attending the Board of Equalization meeting.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Phase IV Utility Improvements: SPN Invoices:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to pay SPN invoice 35723-35725 for a total of $44,600.57. All members voted aye. Motion carried. **TLC Olson Construction Pay Application:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Hargens to pay TLC Olson Construction Pay App No. 6 - $228,167.03. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Helms & Associates Agreements:** Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Gab to approve **Amendment No. 1 for AIP #3-46-0035-015-2024** to include costs for bidding and negotiation, construction administration, and resident engineering services for a revised Total Project Engineering Services cost of $184,878.74. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Auch to approve the agreement for professional services for **AIP #3-46-0035-016-2025** for $79,870.46. Services for the construction phase of this project will be added as an amendment upon receipt of an FAA grant offer for construction. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Airport Grant Application:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Gab to authorize the Mayor to sign the FAA grant application for construction of the taxiway and access road reconstruction. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Airport CIP bids:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to advertise for bids for construction of the taxiway and access road reconstruction. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Helms & Associates Invoice:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to pay Helms & Associates invoice 35666 for a total of $2,548.81. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution No. 2025-3 – LWCF Grant:** Mayor McGough read Resolution No. 2025-3 to apply for the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant for the new swimming pool project. Motion by Alderman Auch, seconded by Alderman Gab to approve Resolution No. 2025-3. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Ballpark – sod cutter:** Ron Hoftiezer explained to the council that the city needs a sod cutter to use at the ballpark, pool, and park. He would like to purchase a used one rather than renting this piece of equipment every year. Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Gab to purchase a sod cutter not to exceed $1,750.00. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Willie’s Bar & Grill charge:** The city hosted this year’s SDML District 5 meeting and gave out one drink ticket per attendee. The tab came to $182.90. The council agreed to pitch in personal funds to pay the bill.

**Building Permits:** Motion by Alderman Auch and, after discussion, seconded by Alderman Jones to approve the following building permit applications: Marita Coyle – garage, Patrick and Chelsea Price – remove house and garage. Department heads Dustin Graham, Terry Manning, and Ron Hoftiezer would like direction from the council to develop proper procedures for removals when it comes to capping water and sewer services and the required $500 deposit, discontinuing electrical service, and discontinuing monthly surcharges and base fees. All voted aye, Alderman Price abstained. Motion carried.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by Alderman Jones, seconded by Alderman Gab to go into executive session for personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 7:35 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor McGough returned the meeting to regular session at 8:07 p.m.

**Hire summer help:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Hargens to hire Patrick Nelson as a lifeguard at $13.50/hour. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Hargens to hire Gracie Graham for grounds maintenance at the ballpark and other departments as necessary at $15.00/hour. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Gab to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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Tom McGough, Mayor

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Cindy Deuter, Finance Officer

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| **Bills April 2025 (1)** |  |  |
| 44i | Prof Fees | 249.00 |
| A & B Business Solutions | Supplies | 179.44 |
| American Solutions | Supplies | 3,699.51 |
| Avera | Prof Fees | 160.00 |
| Avera Occ. | Prof Fees | 36.60 |
| Bloomendillys  | Utility Bed Install | 12,170.00 |
| Bobs Disposal  | Garbage | 350.00 |
| City Utilities | Utilities | 15,590.37 |
| CNH | Supplies | 231.95 |
| Cindy Deuter | Reimb. | 52.00 |
| DG | Supplies | 32.00 |
| Governors Inn | Lodging | 109.00 |
| Dustin Graham | Reimb. | 168.00 |
| Hand County Treasurer | Lic&Regist. | 15.00 |
| Harkins Enterprises  | Repair | 1,006.76 |
| Helms & Associates | Prof Fees | 2,548.81 |
| Hughes Electric  | Supplies | 7.57 |
| Infotech Solutions | Prof Fees | 8,849.83 |
| JDF | Parts | 314.45 |
| Terry Manning | Reimb. | 445.40 |
| Mcleod's  | Supplies | 294.72 |
| Milbank Winwater | Supplies | 1,866.87 |
| Miller Ace | Supplies | 764.71 |
| MMUA | Prof Fees | 7,165.75 |
| NAPA | Parts | $72.02 |
| Oakley Farm | Supplies | 183.46 |
| OHED | 80% BBB | 2,798.68 |
| Petty Cash | Reimb. | 13.20 |
| Postmaster | Presort Permit #2 | 400.00 |
| Craig Price | Reimb. | 127.98 |
| Riter Rogers  | Prof Fees | 805.00 |
| Runnings | Supplies | 133.74 |
| SD PHL | Water Samples | 30.00 |
| SD DPS | Prof Fees | 2,340.00 |
| Servall | Service | 114.95 |
| Share Corp | Supplies | 277.05 |
| SPN | Prof Fees | 44,600.57 |
| Stan Houston | Supplies | 2,009.53 |
| Sturdevant's | Parts | 633.31 |
| TLC Olson Construction | Water Phase IV | 228,167.03 |
| Twin Valley Tire | Repair | 1,359.96 |
| US Bank  | Loans | 18,165.39 |
| WAPA | Power | 56,098.20 |
| Wesco  | Supplies | 537.82 |
|  | Accounts Payable Total | $415,175.63 |
| **Payroll Salary plus Benefits by Department:** | 3/27/2025 & 3/31/2025 & 4/10/2025 |  |
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| Department | w/o OT | OT | Total |
| 41101 | COUNCIL | 2,831.23 | 0.00 | 2,831.23 |
| 41402 | FINANCE OFFICE | 6,570.82 | 104.04 | 6,674.86 |
| 41902 | BUILDING | 317.29 | 0.00 | 317.29 |
| 42101 | POLICE | 27,905.70 | 750.59 | 28,656.29 |
| 43101 | STREET | 17,220.55 | 139.38 | 17,359.93 |
| 43201 | SEWER | 12,493.45 | 566.82 | 13,060.27 |
| 43305 | WATER | 12,766.73 | 566.81 | 13,333.54 |
| 43403 | ELECTRIC | 28,983.05 | 44.59 | 29,027.64 |
| 45101 | BALLPARK | 459.97 | 0 | 459.97 |
| 45202 | PARK | 1088.89 | 0 | 1088.89 |
|  |  | $110,637.68 | $2,172.23 | $112,809.91 |