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**CITY OF MILLER**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**OCTOBER 18, 2021**

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The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 18,2021.

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

**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 Alderwoman Lichty to approve the agenda as amended to remove Jerry Fanning drainage concerns. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Steers to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on October 4, 2021 and the special meeting held on October 14, 2021. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Mayor Blachford thanked everyone that helped make the production Annie such a great performance. Mary Jo Gortmaker asked about the flood study for the southeast corner of town. The engineers will be meeting next week to finish up some more details. Alderwoman Lichty asked that a discussion regarding our dog ordinances be brought up at the next meeting. Alderwoman Lichty also stated that the plaque at the baseball field looks really nice.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Security Cameras from On-Sight 24/7:** Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Steers to purchase additional security cameras from On-Sight 24/7. Alderman Steers asked that he be able to visit with the staff regarding the cameras prior to purchasing. Roll call vote: Alderman Steers – nay, Alderwoman Lichty- nay, Alderman Rangel – aye, Alderman Odegaard – nay, Alderman Zeller – absent, Alderman Swartz – nay. Motion failed. Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to table a decision on the security cameras until the first meeting in November, Sheila Coss will verify that the current quote will still be honored. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Quoin Bank – Water Concerns:** Jerry, Tom and Garry Peterka were present to ask that the city consider financially assisting with the repair on the bricks in the bank basement. Sheila Coss will forward a claim to our insurance company.

**NEW BUSINESS continued**

**Airport Blade for Pickup:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to have Terry Manning order a Snow-ex 8600SW snow blade to be installed on a 2008 Ford F250. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Lift Station Grinders:** Motion by Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Swartz to have Terry Manning order 2 grinders for the lift stations from Dakota Pump & Control. They will be paid for with ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Holidays:** The employees can choose between Thursday, December 23rd and Monday December 27th for the Christmas Holiday. Juneteenth will not be added to the list of paid holidays. No changes to the current employee policy manual so no motions were made.

**Change Payroll Date:** Motion by Alderman Steers, seconded by Alderman Rangel to change the pay date from Tuesday to Thursday beginning January 1, 2022 years. This change will prevent estimated payrolls whenever a holiday falls on a Monday. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Gold/Platinum Safety Awards:** Mayor Blachford congratulated the city employees on receiving the gold and platinum safety awards from Safety Benefits. Alderman Rangel seconded that sentiment as well as congratulated Ron Hoftiezer, Terry Manning and Joe Zeller for their 20+ years of service to the city that were recognized at the fall convention.

**Building Permit:** Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Swartz to approve the building permit for Royce Blackburn to add a roof to his patio. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS continued**

**Second Reading of Ordinance #726 – Budget Supplement #2:** Motion byAlderman Rangel seconded by Alderman Steers to approve the second reading of Ordinance #726 – Budget Supplement #2. Roll call vote: Alderman Steers – aye, Alderwoman Lichty – aye, Alderman Rangel – aye, Alderman Odegaard – aye, Alderman Zeller – absent, Alderman Swartz – aye. Motion carried. Finance Officer Sheila Coss was notified by SDML that the first reading of an ordinance does not require a vote.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by Alderman Rangel, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to go into executive session for personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 8:27 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Motion Alderwoman Lichty, seconded by Alderman Odegaard to come out of executive session at 9:04 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. No action was taken.

Motion by Alderman Steers, by seconded Alderwoman Lichty 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

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