CITY OF MILLER CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 16, 2025

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The City Council met in regular session at city hall at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 16, 2025.

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>: Mayor Tom McGough, Aldermen: Will Jones, Patrick Price, Dale Hargens, Gale Auch, Landon Gab, and Alderwoman Susan Hargens.

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

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

<u>AGENDA</u>: Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Auch to approve the agenda. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held June 2, 2025. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

<u>PUBLIC INPUT</u>: Alderman Price gave an update on fundraising for the new swimming pool. Of the 5-million-dollar project goal, 3.2 million dollars has been raised. Most of those funds are invested in CDs. Once those accounts mature, the total raised will be close to \$3.4 million. Hand County Health Wellness and Community Foundation are taking care of the donations.

NEW BUSINESS

Policy 7.10 Personal Emergency Leave: Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Auch to add a bereavement policy in addition to the Personal Emergency Leave policy. Mayor McGough read the policy to be added. 3 working days per incident with no cap may be given for bereavement and will be administered by the department head and Mayor. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Violations – Article II Weeds: Discussion was held about the current procedure for enforcing the weeds ordinance and for notifying residents in violation of the code. Mayor McGough stated that it is difficult for city staff to mow yards in addition to their busy season. He asked if it would be possible to contract the services. Alderman Price explained that a contract may result in more cost to the city if the bill does not get reimbursed. Alderman Jones thought that the city could still plan on mowing the yards in violation but have the option to contract the service if city staff cannot address the issue before the weeds and grass get too tall. Alderman Auch mentioned the matter of liability. Contractors might not want to take on the liability of damaged property. Notice of the weeds ordinance is published twice annually. Alderman Price suggested putting a notice in with the utility bills as well; however, bills are only sent once per month, and yards can get out of control in a matter of days. Alderman Jones thought door hangers would be a good way to notify residents to mow their property. No action taken.

MDRWS – **city's voting representative:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Jones to nominate Alderman Hargens as the city's voting representative for Mid-Dakota Rural Water System. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Building Permit: Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to table the application for a shed for Randi Forman until the next regular meeting. Additional review of the application is needed to verify that the shed will not impede on the allowed number of feet from the side lot line. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Alderman Jones, seconded by Alderman Auch to go into executive session for personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 7:28 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor McGough returned the meeting to regular session at 7:41 p.m.

Police Department – **hire part-time officer:** Motion by Alderman Gab, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to hire James Waldrop as a part-time substitute police officer for \$26.55/hour. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Jones to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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	Tom McGough, Mayor
	Cindy Deuter, Finance Officer
LEGAL NOTICE OF RECEIPT Copy of the official proceedings was received on: Published once at the approximate cost of:	

Bills June 2025 (2)

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44i	Prof Fees	249
A & B Business Solutions	Supplies	248.24
Advanced Collision & Repair	Repairs/Parts	3,924.94
Associated Supply Company,Inc	Supplies	1,303.08
Builders Solutions Llc	Supplies	326.71
Code Enforcement Specialists	Code Enforcement	209.02
Dakota Energy	On-Call	905.00
Cindy Deuter	Reimb	85
Dgr Engineering	Prof Fees	655
Goodall Upholstery	Repairs	80
Hand Co Register Of Deeds	Prof Fees	30
Susan Hargens	Reimb	102.9
Hawkins Inc	Chemical	1,749.75
First Bank & Trust	Power	1,425.12
Jim Henson	Reimb	12
Infotech Solutions, Llc	Prof Fees	1,331.94
John Deere Financial	Parts	207.36
Kessler's	Supplies	43.89
Miller Ace	Supplies	1,063.42
Miller Rexall Drug	Supplies	37.40
Napa Central	Parts	378.12
Nelson, Allison	Reimb	85.00
Northwest Pipe Fittings	Supplies	339.84
On Hand Development Corp.	Industry	5,500.00
Riter Rogers Llp	Prof Fees	402.5
Runnings	Supplies	266.13
Rural Development	Loans	16,403.00
Sd Assn Of Rural Water Systems	Prof Fees	615.00
Sd Dept Of Revenue	Sales Tax	10,154.52
South Dakota Municipal League	Prof Fees	40
Sturdevant's Auto Value Miller	Parts	139.67
Tony's Repair	Repairs	223.48
Visa	Supp./Wtr Purchased/Fuel/Etc	24,483.49
Western Area Power Admin.	Power	42,023.20
Wesco Distribution	Supplies	7,150.00
Acuity Specialty Products Inc	Supplies	596.23
	Accounts Payable Total	122,789.95
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Payroll Salary plus	6/12/2025 & 6/18/2025
Benefits by Department:	0/12/2023 & 0/16/2023

D	epartment	w/o OT	ОТ	Total		
41402	FINANCE OFFICE	3,346.05	16.01	3,362.06		
42101	POLICE	14,479.27	996.65	15,475.92		
43101	STREET	9,687.75	272.13	9,959.88		
43201	SEWER	6,329.69	1466.03	7,795.72		
43305	WATER	6,329.63	1466.02	7,795.65		
43403	ELECTRIC	12,300.89	55.27	12,356.16		
45101	BALLPARK	2317.79	0	2317.79		
45202	PARK	1,098.28	0	1,098.28		
45103	POOL	2,177.28	0	2,177.28		
		\$58,066.63	\$4,272.11	\$62,338.74		