

**UNAPPROVED  
CITY OF MILLER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 16, 2025**

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 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.

**AGENDA:** Motion by Alderman Jones, seconded by Alderman Gab to approve the agenda. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Price to approve the minutes as printed for the regular meeting held December 1, 2025. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Fuel Quotes:** Upon further investigation of pump prices, council members realized that Kessler's quote was not the most advantageous for the city. Motion by Alderman Jones, seconded by Alderman Gab to award the 2026 fuel contract to Pump 'N Pak for 6 cents/gallon off the pump price with the appropriate federal fuel tax credits applied. Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderwoman Hargens to rescind his previous motion from the last regular meeting to award the fuel bid for 2026 to Kessler's. All members voted aye. Motion carried. A vote on the motion by Alderman Jones took place next: all members voted aye. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SD DOT Agreement:** Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Price to approve Mayor Tom McGough as the authorized representative to execute the agreement with South Dakota Department of Transportation to use the city's fuel tax credit for reimbursement to cover the costs of light bulbs purchased for the Miller airport's runway for a total of \$640.66. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Farm & Home Show:** Motion by Alderman Price, seconded by Alderman Auch to reserve a booth at the Hand County LCIA farm and home show to be held January 16-17, 2026, for \$100 and to give a \$100 utilities credit certificate as a door prize. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Print outs of the updated 3D rendering for the new swimming pool will be available for the booth. Mayor McGough stated that the Beach Ball, the next big fund-raising event for "Miller Needs a Pool," will be Saturday, January 31 at the community center. Schedules for working the booth will be set at the next meeting.

**Helms & Associates Invoice:** Motion by Alderwoman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Gab to pay Helms & Associates invoices 37420 and 37430 for a total of \$27,592.95. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**SDML Work Comp Grant:** Motion by Alderman Jones, seconded by Alderman Auch to apply for the SDML Workers Comp grant for hydraulic shoring equipment as quoted from USABlueBook for \$10,979.55. The grant is a 50% match up to \$5,000. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

**Hand County Mitigation Plan:** Alison Kiesz, NECOG sent a draft of the Hand County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan for review and comment. The draft is posted on the city's website for public comments and review. Comments are due to NECOG by Monday, January 5, 2026.

**Set Year-end Meeting Date:** Motion by Alderman Hargens, seconded by Alderman Auch to set the end-of-year meeting date for Tuesday, December 30, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Alderman Gab, seconded by Alderman Hargens to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 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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Copy of the official proceedings  
was received on: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Bills December 2025 (2)**

44i	Prof Fees	249.00
A & B Business Solutions	Prof Fees	231.72
American Solutions	Supplies	697.89
Arbor Day Foundation	Membership	15.00
Border States	Supplies	998.76
Code Enforcement	Code Enforcement	162.84
Dakota Energy	On Call Service	910.00
Dgr Engineering	Prof Fees	1,372.50
HC 4-H Office	Booth Rent	100.00
Hand County Publishing	Publications	1,820.46
First Bank & Trust	Power	3,204.91
Helms & Associates	Prof Fees	27,592.95
Infotech	Prof Fees	1,331.94
Landis+Gyr	Prof Fees	1,256.38
Make It Mine Designs	Supplies	111.70
Mcleod's Printing	Supplies	202.54
Milbank Winwater	Supplies	673.04
Miller Ace	Supplies	684.02
Napa	Parts	127.46
OHED	Industry	5,500.00
Prairieland Collections	Prof Fees	17.50
Ramkota	Lodging	394.80
Runnings	Supplies	372.96
RD	Loans	16,403.00
SD AMA	Membership	50.00
SD DOR	Sales Tax	7,662.21
SD GFA	Membership	150.00
SD GHA	Membership	75.00
SD MEA	Membership	1,610.00
SD MSMA	Membership	35.00
SD PCA	Membership	200.00
Servall	Service	121.70
Storey Kenworthy	Laser Utility Bills	938.63
Stuart C Irby	Supplies	975.00
Sturdevant's	Supplies	709.96
Tony's Repair	Oil Change	76.00
Twin Valley Tire	Tire Repair	48.98
Vandiest	Supplies	1,653.75
Visa	Supp./Wtr Purchased/Fuel/Etc	28,560.42
WAPA	Power	56,047.22
	Accounts Payable Total	<u>\$163,345.24</u>

**Payroll Salary plus**

<b>Benefits by Department:</b>		12/4/2025 & 12/18/2025		
Department		w/o OT	OT	Total
41402	FINANCE OFFICE	6,677.60	0.00	6,677.60
42101	POLICE	28,765.65	1,995.65	30,761.30
43101	STREET	18,333.21	1,924.37	20,257.58
43201	SEWER	12,948.37	616.18	13,564.55
43305	WATER	12,948.15	616.18	13,564.33
43403	ELECTRIC	31,524.14	40.35	31,564.49
		<u>\$111,197.12</u>	<u>\$5,192.73</u>	<u>\$116,389.85</u>