

City of Merrill
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, January 20, 2025, 6:00 p.m.
608 Main St, Merrill, Iowa

CALL TO ORDER A regular meeting of the Merrill City Council, was held on January 20, 2025. Mayor Norgaard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance. Present Council members: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Other attendees: Pat Gray, Ray Eickholt, Sydney Harkness, Steve Hemmelman, and city attorney Patrick Murphy.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Hemmelman, seconded by Held. Roll call vote: ayes: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA: Minutes from 12/16/2024: Motion by Held, seconded by Hemmelman to amend the minutes to reflect Hoyt motioning to forgo the Mid-Sioux Funding for CY2025. Roll call vote: ayes: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried

APPROVE TREASURER’S REPORTS FOR 12-2024: Motion by Conley, seconded by Held. Roll call vote: ayes: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried

APPROVE CLAIMS LIST DATED 01-20-2025: Motion by Hemmelman, seconded by Conley. Roll call vote: ayes: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried

DEPARTMENT REPORTS CITY CLERK: Working through software migration. FIRE/EMS: 12 calls, 3 new junior members. LIBRARY: Books in circulation: 111 in-house, 166 online, and 138 visitors with \$2.90 in misc. revenues. Board position available. MCB: Egg Bake fundraiser was a success, receipted approx. \$439 in donations to be allocated for the Kissinger Center flooring project. POLICE: 125 citations, 1 arrest.

OLD BUSINESS: Maintenance Building tabulated bids for the construction of the maintenance shed: Motion by Held to accept proposed bid Alternate 1, from Kunkel Construction Company, for \$454,096, seconded by Hoyt. Roll call vote: ayes: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Hoyt, seconded by Conley to hire Jurgens Excavating for the deconstruction of existing maintenance building and to secure an asbestos removal company. Roll call vote: ayes: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried. Lagoon repairs: Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-1** CY2025 Mayoral Appointments: Motion by Conley, seconded by Hoyt. Roll call vote: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consider **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-2** CY2025 City Clerk Appointment & Oath of Office: Motion by Conley, seconded by Hemmelman. Roll call vote: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mayor Norgaard presented the oath of office. Consider **RESOLUTION NO.**

2025-3 CY2025 Fire Protection Service Fees: Motion by Hemmelman, seconded by Held. Roll call vote: Conley, Held, Hemmelman, Hoyt, Rieken. Nays: None. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: Budget Workshop: Discussion regarding budget numbers and levies for FY2026.

ADJOURN: Motion by Conley, seconded by Held. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

1-20-2025 CLAIMS LIST

3D AG SERVICES	KISS SUPPLIES	48.98
AGRIVISON	HYDRAULIC PUMP	1,447.53
ALEC DIMIG	REFUND: GYM RENTAL	100.00
ACS	LAB TESTING FEES	112.04
BAKER & TAYLOR	LIBRARY BOOK SUPPLIES	269.75
BOMGAARS	MISC SUPPLIES	34.89
CASEYS	FUEL	423.75
CENTRAL INS	PD LAPTOP/SPD TRAI ADD	13.00
CENTRAL STATES	GROUP INS DEC	3,525.60
CENTURY BUSINESS	PRINTER LEASE	110.88
CAG	PAYMENT FOR SERVICES	58.44
CHASE CARD	MISC CC PURCHASES	435.23

CHEM-SULT INC	WATER CHECMICALS	685.75
DAVE DEROCHE	REFUND: GYM RENTAL 01/11/25	100.00
DEPT OF TREASURY	VENDOR LIABILITY	5,250.80
EAKES	OFFICE SUPP	127.69
FIREFLY RESERVATION	FEES DEC	17.50
FLOYD VALLEY	PHARMACEUDICALS	42.99
HUNTINGTON	PD LAPTOP LEASE	387.00
IOWA DHS	VENDOR LIABILITY	1,134.44
IOWA INFO MEDIA GRP	LEGAL NOTICE	155.60
IOWA STATE BANK	FD LOAN PMT	2,709.81
JEAN PAUL BATABELA	REFUND-GYM 01/05/2025	100.00
LANGELS	FD BOILER REPAIR	215.80
LE MARS AMBU	PAYMENT FOR SVS	625.00
MIDAMERICAN	UTILITY-GAS/ELECTRIC	3,810.45
MPH INDUSTRIES	SPEED TRAFFIC TRAILER	8,476.50
MURPHY COLLINS MCGILL	LEGAL FEES	352.50
OC SANITATION	GARBAGE SVS DEC 2024	4,587.03
ON THE CLOCK	TIMECLOCK SUB DEC 2024	19.60
P. GRAY	BUILD PERMIT PAY 2024 (20)	400.00
PEOPLES BANK	PD CHARGER LOAN	1,116.06
PLUMB SUPPLY	FD BOILER REPAIR	194.32
PLY CO COMM CTR	SEMI-ANNUAL PMT	3,226.50
PLY CO SOLID WASTE	LANDFILL FEES DEC 2024	2,667.53
PREMIER	UTILITY PHONE/INTERNET	424.71
QUALITY AUTO	2017 FORD INTERCEP REPAIR	1,925.12
R-COUNTRY	REMOTE TECH ASSISTANCE	74.00
SAPP BROTHERS	PD FUEL	31.33
STABER MEATS	EDC FUNDRAISER	57.35
STRYKER SALES	AMB LP15 EQUIP	2,309.00
TEAMSTERS UNION	UNION DUES JAN 2025	135.00
THOMPSON SOLUTIONS	WELL#5 REPAIRS	440.06
TOTAL MOTORS	TIRE REPAIR	67.18
VERIZON	WIRELESS SVS	152.35
WAGNER AUTO	SYN OIL	558.75
WICKED GRAPHIX	SPEED TRAILER GRAPHICS	133.88
	CLAIM LIST TOTAL	49,291.69
	PAYROLL TOTAL	12,907.94

1-20-2025 CLAIMS LIST BY FUND

GENERAL FUND	37,285.98
ROAD USE TAX	4,822.55
DEBT SERVICE	3,825.87
WATER	2,530.85
SEWER	826.44
CLAIM LIST TOTAL	49,291.69

12/2024 CLAIMS BY FUND

GENERAL FUND	54,325.35
ROAD USE TAX	5,328.02
DEBT SERVICE	3,825.87
WATER	4,802.60
SEWER	2,937.31
SEWER LOAN	10,890.00
FUND TOTAL	82,109.15

12/2024 RECEIPTS BY FUND

GENERAL FUND	33,526.01
ROAD USE TAX	8,227.19
EMP BENEIFT	478.78
LOCAL OPTION	8,069.10
WATER	14,501.59
WATER DEP	505.78
SEWER	24,454.14
FUND TOTAL	89,762.59

CITY OF MERRILL		2024 WAGE REPORT	
CHRISTENSEN	JESSE		7,266.45
CONLEY	JACOB		1,275.00
CONLEY	JOEL		280.00
DEJAGER	TYLER		460.00
DIMIG	ALEC		335.00
DROEGMILLER	KOLT		60.00
EICKHOLT	RAYMOND		40,346.34
ELGERT	DALE		140.00
ELLIS	DYLAN		520.00
GANT	MARK		4,655.00
GEARKE	GINA		70.00
GILLASPIE	DEBRA		500.00
GRAY	ANGELA		51,950.91
GRAY	PATRICK		78,480.71
HARKNESS	SYDNEY		15,231.52
HAVENER	BRADY		695.00
HAVENER	STEPHANIE		80.00
HELD	HANNAH		250.00
HELD	LOGAN		1,615.00
HEMMELMAN	STEVEN		17,000.10
HEMMELMAN	VICKY		375.00
HOYT	RANDAL		325.00
LINDSEY	MARCELLA		4,814.81
MARTIN	BRYTON		435.00
MCINNIS	BRETT		1,328.40
MOREHEAD	KARSON		640.00
NEPT	KANNESHA		10,674.10
NORGAARD	BRUCE		1,800.00
PRATT	JENNIFER		10.00
RIEKEN	CARLA		325.00
ROLFES	NICHOLAS		40.00
SCHULTZ	JULIA		249.60
WINGE	JOSEPH		30.00
	TOTAL EMPLOYEE WAGES		242,257.94