## MILBANK CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS February 26, 2025

<u>Call to Order</u> – The City Council met in a special session at 6:00 pm on February 26, 2025, in the Milbank Visitor Center, 1001 East 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mayor Raffety presided.

<u>Roll Call</u> – Mayor Raffety. Council members: Roger Briggs. Mindy Rogers, Josh Karels, Craig Weinberg, Mike Hanson, and John Weyh. Present from the staff: Steve Pendergrass and Cynthia Schumacher.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the hiring of Heather Peiker as Utility Clerk, effective 2-27-25. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made and seconded for the update to the Personnell Policy-Apendix D. Appendix D provides a 15% membership discount to Unity Health & Fitness for part-time employees. Motion carried 6-0.

A payment of \$7,500 to Homestead Animal Health per the agreement with Milbank Animal Rescue Services was approved for assistance with spaying and neutering strays. This agreement with Milbank Animal Rescue Services was approved by the council on March 11, 2024. The council discussed the program, it appeared to have little impact. According to Milbank Animal Rescue, the strays were not supposed to be released back into the community; however, this has not been followed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the payment to Homestead Animal Health and to discontinue any future payments and agreements with Milbank Animal Rescue Services. The council will seek alternative solutions.

The Council reviewed and recommended updates to Titles 1 and 2 of the Milbank Municipal Code. They will hold additional working sessions as they continue reviewing the entire Milbank Municipal Code. Special meetings were scheduled for March 19 and 26, 2025.

<u>Adjourn</u> –The next regular meeting will be on February 10, 2025. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST	Pat Raffety, Mayor	
Cynthia Schumacher, Finance Officer		
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