

City of Merrill
Regular Council Meeting
November 17, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Merrill City Council was held on November 17, 2025, in the City Council Chambers, at the Kissinger Center building, 608 Main St, Merrill, Iowa. Mayor Norgaard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and proceeded with roll call. Council seats attending: Conley, Held, Hoyt. Absent: Hemmelman, Rieken. Other attendees: Pat Gray, Barb Gross, and City Attorney Patrick Murphy.

Held motioned, Conley seconded to approve AGENDA, roll call: all voted aye; motion carried. Held motioned, Hoyt seconded to approve CONSENT AGENDA (a) *Minutes from 10/20/2025*, roll call: all voted aye; motion carried. Conley motioned, Hoyt seconded, to approve 10/2025 TREASURER'S REPORT, roll call: all voted aye; motion carried. Conley motioned, Hoyt seconded, to approve 11-17-2025 CLAIMS LIST, roll call: all voted aye; motion carried.

During the public forum B. Paulson (434 3rd St) addressed the council regarding the alleyway adjacent to his property. Discussion set to take place during new business.

Department reports include City clerk, with short discussion regarding budget planning timeline. Fire/EMS reported one new member. Library reported normal book circulation, Trunk-or-treat participation will continue next year, looking to improve books circulation in Hinton. Public works reported bulk water usage for Hwy Project has ended.

OLD BUSINESS: Maintenance building project is awaiting MidAmerican Energy, inspections, and bathroom completion. City received final payment for FEMA mitigation. Agenda item is considered resolved/closed. Police department discussion regarding possible hire, still awaiting background check, possible special meeting to discuss further action.

NEW BUSINESS: Hoyt motioned, Conley seconded, to approve Library budget increase for new computers with funds to come from library reserve. Roll call: all voted aye; motion carried. Held motioned, Hoyt seconded to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-32** declaring the Alleyway lying South of and adjacent to Lots 3 & 4, Block 8, Frost's Addition, surplus property, and to set the public hearing date for December 15, 2025, at the regular council meeting at 7:00 p.m. to vacate and declare property surplus and dispose of interest in real estate. Roll call: all voted aye; motion carried. Conley motioned, Hoyt seconded to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-31** Setting the date for a public hearing on December 15, 2025, at the regular council meeting at 7:00 p.m. and additional action on proposal to enter into a General Obligation Public Works Facility Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder. Roll call: all voted aye; motion carried. Discussion Regarding DOT Proposed Speed Zones for US Hwy 75, to add to next agenda to approve and adopt into Ordinance CH. 63.

OTHER BUSINESS: Building Permits: 315 Main St (*Fence*) Conley motioned Hoyt seconded, all ayes; motion carried.

Conley motioned to adjourn, Hoyt seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

CLAIM LIST 11-17-2025

3D AG SERVICES	SILICONE CLEAR	127.90
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	PLUMBING SUPPLIES	475.34
BOUND TREE MEDICAL	EMS MEDICAL SUPPLIES	257.99
CASEYS FLEET CARD	FUEL	318.82
CENTRAL INSURANCE	PW FACILITY PREM	919.00
CENTRAL STATES FUNDS	2025-10 GRP INS	1,762.80
CENTURY BUSINESS	2025-10 PRINTER LEASE	114.82
CHASE CARD SERVICES	CREDIT CARD PURCHASE	384.57
COMMERCIAL DOORS INC	SALT SHED DOOR	1,960.00
DEPT OF TREASURY/IRS	FED DEPOSIT	3,668.37
DINGES FIRE COMPANY	FIRE SAFETY VEST (8)	421.46
ELECTRIC PUMP	LIFT STATION REPAIRS	1,262.00
FIREFLY RESERVATION	RESERVATION FEES	103.40
HUNTINGTON NATIONAL	PD LAPTOP LEASE	237.00
IMMENSE IMPACT LLC	ANN.WEBSITE 12/25-12/26	737.00
IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE	2025-10 WET TAX	22.90
IOWA DHS	VENDOR LIABILITY	756.92
IOWA INFORMATION	LEGAL PUBLICATION	409.39

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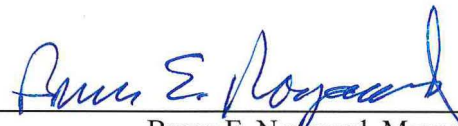
IOWA ONE CALL	UNDERGOURND LOCATES	20.80
IOWA RURAL WATER	MEMBERSHIP CY2026	315.00
IPERS	2025-10 IPERS	2,072.98
KELLEN EXCAVATING	SAND FOR PW FACILITY	705.74
LE MARS AMBULANCE	AMBULANCE RESPONSE	250.00
MALLOY, TERRI	UB-DEP REFUND	21.07
MARCUS LUMBER	PW FACILITY - MATERIALS	2,010.67
MATT FISCHER	REFUND: GYM RENTAL	100.00
MENARDS	PW FACILITY- DOOR	557.24
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITY-GAS/ELECTRIC	3,758.19
MURPHY COLLINS MCGILL	2025-10 LEGAL FEES	150.00
OC SANITATION	2025-10 GARBAGE SVS	3,394.90
ON THE CLOCK LLC	TIMECLOCK SUB	23.10
PEOPLES BANK	PD CHARGER LOAN	1,116.06
PLY CO SOLID WASTE	2025-10 SOLID WASTE FEES	3,048.65
PREMIER COMM	UTILITY PHONE/INTERNET	436.71
SAPP BROTHERS	BULK FUEL	1,426.63
SHERLOCK PLUMBING	CG HYDRANT HEAD/SVS CALL	732.50
SPECIALIZED CONCRETE	PW FACILITY CONCRETE	1,647.00
TEAMSTERS UNION #554	2025-11 UNION DUES	68.00
TOTAL MOTORS	'09 F-ECONOLINE OIL LEAK	148.54
ULINE SHIPPING SUPPLY	PW FACILITY-BOLLARDS	983.58
VERIZON	WIRELESS COMM	58.50
	CLAIMS TOTAL	36,985.54

CLAIMS LIST BY FUND

001 GENERAL	22,903.44
110 ROAD USE TAX	4,025.87
200 DEBT SERVICE	1,116.06
300 CAPITAL PROJECT	5,961.85
600 WATER	811.54
601 UTILITY DEP	21.07
610 SEWER	2,145.71

CLAIMS TOTAL	36,985.54
NOVEMBER PAYROLL	8,579.43


Angela Gray, City Clerk-Treasurer


Bruce E. Norgaard, Mayor