

**CITY OF MERRILL
HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025 MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5:15 PM**

- I. **Call to Order** Chair Rick called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm
Present: D7 Alderperson Weix Jr., D2 Alderperson M. Caylor, D6 Alderperson Rick
Present Not Voting: Police Chief Bennett, Fire Chief Klug, City Attorney/City Engineer Akey, Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator Pagel, Mayor Hass, Fairgrounds Manager Savall, IT Manager Brown, Merrill Community Media
Excused: Norb "Nubs" Ashbeck, City Clerk Anderson-Malm
- II. **Public Comment** No public comment.
- III. **Minutes from Previous Meeting**
 1. **Consider placing the minutes from the March 24th meeting on file.** - (D2 Alderperson M. Caylor/D7 Alderperson Weix Jr.) motion/second place minutes on file. The motion passed.
- IV. **Nuisance Complaints and Vouchers**
 1. **Nuisance Complaints** - BIZA Pagel discussed the nuisance complaints and answered questions.
 2. **Discuss and consider approving the vouchers** - (D7 Alderperson Weix Jr./D2 Alderperson M. Caylor) motion/second approve. The motion passed.
- V. **General Agenda Items for Consideration**
 1. **Discuss and consider firefighter occupational physicals.** - Fire Chief Klug discussed the occupational physical test information that was included in the packet. He explained his reasoning as to why he recommended this. He did mention there was opposition from the local union. This is not in the 2025 budget but would be included in the 2026 budget if approved and would be an annual physical and an annual expense. D2 Alderperson M. Caylor questioned aspects of privacy and sharing information. Fire Chief Klug mentioned the results are not shared with him or the City; results are only for the employee. Requiring this test ensures all firefighters are able to participate in their duties. Discussion continued between the committee members. CA Akey mentioned taxpayers want to know if their firefighters are able to do their jobs. Following continued discussion, (D2 Alderperson M, Caylor/D6 Alderperson Rick) motion/second to table. The motion passed.
 2. **Discuss and consider a temporary Class "B" beer license for the Merrill Eagles on May 17, 2025, at the Merrill Fairgrounds Eagles Beer Stand, 2001 E 2nd St from 11:00 am - 8:00 pm in conjunction with Merrill's Food Truck-a-palooza.** - (D2 Alderperson Caylor/D7 Alderperson Weix Jr.) motion/second approve. The motion passed.

3. **Discuss and consider a temporary Class "B" beer license for the Merrill Special Olympic Booster Club on May 17, 2025, at the Merrill Fairgrounds (tent located by the red bathrooms), 2001 E 2nd St from 11:00 am - 7:00 pm in conjunction with Merrill's Food Truck-a-palooza.**
- (D7 Alderperson Weix Jr./D2 Alderperson Caylor) motion/second approve with the revised end time of 8:00 pm. The motion passed.

VI. Monthly Reports

1. **Monthly Report - Fire Chief Klug** - The report was included in the packet. There were no questions.
2. **Monthly Report - Police Chief Bennett** - The report was included in the packet. PC Bennett answered questions.
3. **Monthly Report - Lincoln County Humane Society** - The report was included in the packet.
4. **Consider placing monthly reports on file** - (D2 Alderperson Caylor/D7 Alderperson Weix Jr.) motion/second place monthly reports on file. The motion passed.

VII. Date and Time of Next Meeting

- VIII. Adjournment** (D7 Alderperson Weix Jr./D2 Alderperson M. Caylor) motion/second adjourn. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by City Clerk Anderson-Malm
Minutes are in draft form until approved at the next scheduled meeting.