

**CITY OF MERRILL  
COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026 MINUTES  
ORIENTATION CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5:30 PM**

- I. Call to Order** Mayor Hass called the Orientation meeting to order at 5:30 pm  
Present: D1 Alderperson A. Caylor, D2 Alderperson M. Caylor, D4 Alderperson Fermanich, D5 Alderperson Holdorf, D6 Alderperson Sukow, D7 Alderperson Weix Jr., D8 Alderperson Rutkowski  
Present Not Voting: City Clerk Anderson-Malm, City Administrator Akey, Finance Director Ley, Library Director Ollhoff, Park & Recreation Director Wendorf, Police Chief Bennett, Utilities Operations Manager Steinagel, Outside Counsel Austin Mogard  
Excused: D3 Alderperson Nathan Meyer
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Presentation from Outside Counsel** Outside Counsel Austin Mogard provided additional information to the Council members. He gave a presentation on the Roles of the Mayor, Common Council and Administration. He also talked about the Code of Ethics, Open Meetings Laws and Closed Sessions.
- IV. Additional Information for Reference**
- 1. Basics of Tax Incremental Financing** - This was provided in the packet for an overview of Tax Incremental Financing.
  - 2. Organizational Chart** - This was provided in the packet.
  - 3. Library Director - Ollhoff** - Additional information was provided to the Council members. Library Director Ollhoff gave a brief presentation about what the T.B. Scott Library offers. She also invited Council members, and all in attendance, to become members, and take a tour of the library.
- V. Adjournment** (D2 Alderperson M. Caylor/D4 Alderperson Fermanich) motion/second to adjourn. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lori L Anderson-Malm - City Clerk

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