

**CITY OF MERRILL
COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026 MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 7:00 PM**

- I. **Call to Order** Mayor Hass called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm
Present: D1 Alderperson A. Caylor, D2 Alderperson M. Caylor, D3 Alderperson Meyer, D4 Alderperson Fermanich, D5 Alderperson Holdorf, D6 Alderperson Sukow, D8 Alderperson Rutkowski
Present Not Voting: City Administrator Akey, Finance Director Ley, City Clerk Anderson-Malm, Battalion Chief Graveen, Park & Recreation Director Wendorf, Police Chief Bennett, Heather Pophal
Excused: D7 Alderperson Mark Weix Jr.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.
- III. **Roll Call** Roll call was taken with 7/8 in attendance.
- IV. **Public Comment** There was no public comment.
- V. **General Agenda Items for Consideration**
 1. **Consider a Street Use Permit for Golden Harvest Market, on June 6th, 2026 from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm to close Pearl Street from Main Street to Thielman Street for a Customer Appreciation Event. This is being brought directly to the Common Council due to the event date.** - (D2 Alderperson Caylor/D5 Alderperson Holdorf) motion/second to approve. The motion passed.
 2. **Consider a temporary Class "B" beer license for Merrill Youth Hardball Association dba Merrill Baseball Association for May 29th - May 31st from 8:00 am until 9:00 pm at Athletic Park, Ott's Park and Lion's Park, in conjunction with an MBA Youth Tournament event. This was considered at the earlier Health & Safety meeting.** - (D3 Alderperson Meyer/D8 Alderperson Rutkowski) motion/second to approve. The motion passed.
 3. **Consider a temporary Class "B" Beer license for Merrill Youth Softball Association aka MYSA or Merrill Fastpitch, for June 17, 24, July 1, 8, 14, 24, 25, 31, August 1, 2, 7, 8, and 9, 2026 at the MARC from 10:00 am - 10:00 pm, in conjunction with Merrill Fastpitch Tournament/Legion Games and State Tournaments. This was considered at the earlier Health & Safety meeting.** - July 26th date was added to this request and approved at the earlier Health & Safety Committee meeting. (D1 Alderperson A. Caylor/D3 Alderperson Meyer) motion/second to approve. The motion passed.
 4. **Consider a temporary Class "B" beer license for MHS Baseball Boosters, Inc for June 3, 7, 9, 11, 14, 17, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30 and July 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14, 19, 23, 2026 at Athletic Park from 6:00 pm -**

10:00 pm, in conjunction with the Baseball at Athletic Park - Legion, Jr. Legion, Rangers, and Babe Ruth event. This was considered at the earlier Health & Safety meeting. - (D8 Alderperson Rutkowski/D3 Alderperson Meyer) motion/second to approve. The motion passed.

- 5. Consider an extension of premises for Ballyhoos on May 30th, 2026 from 10:00 am - 11:00 pm for a Block Party event. This is in addition to the Street Use Permit which was approved at the May 12th Common Council. This was considered at the earlier Health & Safety meeting. - (D2 Alderperson M. Caylor/D8 Alderperson Rutkowski) motion/second to approve. The motion passed.**

VI. Resolutions

- 1. A Resolution for approval to open custodial account(s) with Pershing LLC, and engage Ehlers Investment Partners as investment advisors. This was considered at the earlier Personnel & Finance meeting. - A RESOLUTION - APPROVAL TO OPEN CUSTODIAL ACCOUNT(S) WITH PERSHING LLC, and ENGAGE EHLERS INVESTMENT PARTNERS as INVESTMENT ADVISOR**

WHEREAS, Ehlers Investment Partners LLC, recommends opening brokerage account(s) for investment of City funds; and

WHEREAS, Ehlers Investment Partners LLC, as the City's investment fiduciary, will help manage and advise the City on the investment of these funds in accordance with State Statute.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Merrill that it hereby be approves the engagement of Ehlers Investment Partners LLC, to open Pershing LLC brokerage account(s) to aid the City in the management of investments.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Council of the City of Merrill at a meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2026 by a vote of

(D3 Alderperson Meyer/D4 Alderperson Fermanich) motion/second to approve for discussion. Finance Director Ley gave an overview for the Council members who were not at the earlier Personnel & Finance meeting. Following discussion, the motion passed on a 6/1 voice vote.

- ## **VII. Adjournment** (D3 Alderperson Meyer/D6 Alderperson Sukow) motion/second to adjourn. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

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

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