

Mercer City Meeting March 13, 2014

Mercer City meeting was called to order by Mayor Edward Schumann. Councilmen Randy, Steve, & Darren present.

The minutes were read from the last meeting. A motion made by Steve to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Darren. Motion passed.

Marlene Wardner was present to discuss the upcoming tax equalization meeting. She will have to send notices to any resident whose assessment will be 10% or \$3000.00 higher. Marlene also suggested that if and when the city has to go with Vangaard that Darwin in Turtle Lake might be willing to help us with entering information into the Vangaard system. It was also decided that the Tax Equalization meeting will be held on Thursday, April 10 @ 7 PM with regular meeting following.

A motion made by Randy to accept the appropriation of water request from David Berquist, seconded by Steve. Motion passed.

Ed mentioned that there was a front end loader at the government surplus. He suggested the council could get that a put a different front end on it for cleaning snow in the winter since no one likes to run the blade. The city then could possibly sell the blade. With some discussion it was decided to table it for now.

Time change for the summer will be 8 PM.

Darren attended the Water Expo in Fargo. He found a company with an aerator that could be used for the lagoon. It would speed up the breakdown of waste and the city could release from cell 1 to cell 2 sooner. There was discussion on cost and also how much it would cost to run. Darren will get more information for the next meeting. It was decided to order Hot Stuff drain cleaner though to help open the pipes running throughout the city.

The shingles on the city hall will need to be replaced this summer. There was discussion on putting metal on instead of the regular shingles. Darren will look into it and possibly get a bid from a local contractor.

Bills initialed.

Meeting Adjourned.

JoLene Rust, Auditor

Ottertail Power \$1026.81, Hawkins \$315.72, BHG \$21.59, D & J Bulk \$359.31, Ottertail Power \$55.54
WM \$1140.67, FU Oil \$1059.31, MEC \$48.38, Kathy Schon \$110.82, Ed's Service \$30.00