

Mercer City Meeting October 16, 2014

The Mercer City meeting was called to order by Mayor Kathy Schon with councilmen Randy, Joe, and Steve present. Ulteig was also present as were members of the community.

Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved with a motion made by Steve and seconded by Randy. The minutes from the special meeting were read and approved with a motion made by Randy and seconded by Steve. Financial were approved with a motion made by Joe and seconded by Randy.

The bid was for the grader was opened. A motion made by Joe to reject it was seconded by Steve. Motion passed with 2 aye and 1 nay. Mark from Ultieg made some suggestions as how the council should handle putting the grader up for bids and what is the correct way of a bidder being able to raise his bid. He also suggested calling the City of Wilton as they were looking for one. Kathy will call Wilton.

There was discussion on when to flush lines. Jon Schumann gave permission for the city to use the fire trucks. He also gave suggestions on who to hire for picking up sewage from the lines before it gets to the lagoon.

Jon would like to put up a 14 X 24 foot storage trailer by the shop. He will need to fill out a building permit and supply pictures of the trailer.

Mark suggested waiting to flush the lines in the city. If the council chooses to TV the lines they will clean and jet the lines first. This will allow us to see if ground water is coming thru and also if there is any blockage. It was decided to have them get an estimate for the process before anything else is done with the lines.

There was discussion on the lagoon issue. Ultieg will give a proposal for pumping out the slough. It was suggested a lift station would be needed to move water any distance.

Kathy would like concrete information regarding the option of bringing in Rural Water. She will contact someone on their board to see if they will present at a council meeting. Mark also suggested upgrading our system and looking into well #2 as another option. Home rule charter is being looked at as an option for controlling taxes to build up funding for projects. Block grants are also an option for water and sewer projects.

The tractor is in Turtle Lake being worked on.

Bills initialed.

Meeting Adjourned

JoLene Rust, Auditor

MEC \$55.58, D&J Bulk \$956.59, Makeeff Farms \$200.00, Jacob Rust \$50.00, Hawkins \$53.75, Ottertail Power \$479.06, Bismarck Tribune \$49.77, Hardware Hank \$91.16, McLean County \$578.00, FU Oil \$1479.00, MEC \$48.38, WM \$1186.07, Dept. of Treasury \$422.12, Logan Zinke \$63.75, BHG \$526.02, NDOGPC \$100.00, American Legion \$25.00