

City of Mercer Minutes December 12, 2017

Mayor Kathy Schon opened the meeting with council members Allan Laib, Amanda Presser, Bryan Brewer and Cathy Hill, Auditor. Ulteig Project Engineer, Jordon Gall and Scott Wegner, Bond Council-Attorney were also present.

Presser made a motion to approve the minutes and Brewer seconded it. Motion carried.

Financials were reviewed and a motion was made by Presser and Laib seconded it. Motion carried.

Presser made a motion to pay the bills and Brewer seconded it. Motion carried.

Gall gave an update on the project, 5200 feet of pipe in the ground and sealed and holding water. He stated that he was going to get a sample and do pressure testing this week and see when we can hook up to the temporary bypass. Gall said that he was going to talk with the Contractor about flushing the lines at hookup.

Marge Laib was on the agenda to ask the Council about putting in a handicap bathroom in the City Hall/ Senior Citizens. The seniors want to take on the project and pay for it. Brewer made a motion and Presser seconded it. Motion carried.

Schon brought up the street bond, she gave the bond information to Bryan R. Schmitt, Environmental Engineer with ND Dept. of Health. The Bond currently is at \$21,183.00. ND Dept. of Health will not be able to help with forgiving this bond due to the fact that this project never was submitted to the health dept. The Council discussed paying it off, but decided to wait and not deplete our bank account. Next payment is May 2018.

Schon and the Council members reviewed the water rate study and decided on \$48.00 a month for the base rate and \$4.30 per thousand. We need a resolution to approve the water rate and sign and for non-users for a base rate of \$48.00. A motion was made by Laib and seconded by Brewer. Motion carried.

Schon stated that there was a change order (#1) for the project and Gall explained the change to the Council members. Presser made a motion to approve the change and Brewer seconded it. Motion carried.

Schon called on Scott Wegner to talk about the Amortization schedule and 2 % interest, the Council reviewed it and agreed to it. Presser made a motion to accept the Bond Resolution and Laib seconded it. Motion carried.

Schon shared that there was a request for partial payment to Wiesz Construction. Laib made a motion to pay it and Presser seconded it. Motion carried.

Oberg was next on the agenda and talked about the McLean Sheridan membership and water user agreement contract. Billing to start on January 15, 2018. Brewer made a motion to accept the contract and Laib seconded it. Motion carried.

Jon Brewster requested approval for a building permit. Presser made a motion to approve and Brewer seconded it. Motion carried.

Jessie Schlichenmeyer had a proposed buyer for her property, but the respective buyer only wanted to put up a storage building. The Council members said that there needs to be a dwelling also.

Presser made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Brewer seconded it. Motion carried.

Next meeting is January 18, 2018

Bills to be Paid:

Dec 2017 Bills

Checking

12/12/2017

Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Category	Amount	C
12/12/2017	10529	NO Dept Of Health		Water Testing/Water	-16.00	
12/12/2017	10530	BHG Inc.		Print And Publishi ...	-77.00	
12/12/2017	10531	Waste Management		Waste Manageme ...	-1,060.53	
12/12/2017	10532	Rust Hardware		SPLIT	-33.45	
12/12/2017	10533	McLean Electric		Well Electric/Water	-62.47	
12/12/2017	10534	West River Telephone		Utilities (Business) ...	-91.01	
12/12/2017	10535	Hawkins Inc		Water Testing/Water	-262.62	
12/12/2017	10536	OtterTail Power Co.		SPLIT	-617.83	
12/12/2017	10537	NO Rural Water Systems Association		SPLIT	-235.00	
12/12/2017	10538	Ernest Grueneich		SPLIT	-194.90	
12/12/2017	10539	Ray And Willa Murray		SPLIT	-200.00	
12/12/2017	10540	Peak Contracting LLC		Front MCC/MCC	-6,000.00	
12/12/2017	10541	Kathem Schon		SPLIT	-28.54	
12/12/2017	10542	Allan Laib		SPLIT	-190.00	
12/12/2017	10543	Tonya Wellington		SPLIT	-312.00	
12/12/2017	10544	Bryan Brewer		Council Pay/general	-69.26	
12/12/2017	10545	Cathy Hill		City Auditor/general	-461.75	
12/12/2017	10546	Allan Laib		Council Pay/general	-69.26	
12/12/2017	10547	Amanda Presser		Council Pay/general	-69.26	
12/12/2017	10548	Kathem Schon		Mayor Pay/general	-138.52	