

City of Mercer Minutes July 12, 2022

Meeting was called to order by Jim Privratsky at 7pm. Present for meet was Joe Jerkovich, Kenny Thomsen, Randy Zinke and Tonya Wellington (Auditor). Gary Volochenko not present.

Old minutes were read by board member. One change to old minutes. Kenny made the motion on Solen Law Firm. Change has been made. Motion was made by Kenny Thomsen & Second by Randy Zinke. Motion Approved.

Financial report was provided to the board. Kenny has asked what rent we would be paying for on this report. Did tell him I would work with Brian to get him details. The rent on the report was for the gym. Ashley Fiedler rented it for Birthday Party.

Water bills we presented to Board member. They discussed the bills that were overdue. Board would like to have this form at each meeting.

Monthly bills were presented to board. Kenny asked questions on the bills. Tonya (Auditor) gave him the original to view. Bills were approved. Joe Jerkovich made the motion and Kenny Thomsen second the motion. Motion Approved,

Old Business:

Blading and Gravel for the city streets will be held off until next spring.

Mowing and cleaning of the John Brewster resident. Board decided to contact the states attorney. He has been sent a city ordinance.

Todd's old barn (301 Stohler St.) was discussed. The barn needs to be taken down. We need find to out if it was sold or not. And if sold we need to get the information on new resident and provide them with city ordinance.

New Business:

Changes to city water turn off fees was discussed. Various prices were discussed. Also, if water was shut off that it wouldn't be turned back on for 48 hours. Changes to a city ordinance would need to be drawn up and presented at the next meeting. Once approved a notice will be posted in newspaper consecutive 2 weeks before meeting.

McClusky Elevator is going to start work in the next 2 weeks. They have all permits and zoning laws that state required.

Board discussed that there should be no personal names given out at meeting for water bills. It is public information. Board will be provided with information on all water bills accounts every meeting.

Discussion on farmer getting water from the town and paying for water used. Derek Fiedler stated that the fire hall is the only one that has proper water spicket.

Last testing for Radon in water system was back in 2017. The Radon test should have been done when water project was complete. Anna from rural water is coming in a week. Need to ask who can get that testing done for us. Jim Privratsky will be doing his recertification for water and sewer.

Weed control for the town was discussed. Vance Thompson with the county was called and left message. Waiting for call back. See if there is a program that split's the cost. Kenny Thomsen did say he will be checking into it and give us an update at next meeting.

John Brewsters property need to be cleaned up. He has been provided with city ordinance. Will need to contact states attorney. Jim Privratsky states that health deptment has been contacted on this problem.

Bravera Bank has 1 account that has 99 cents in it. The account needs to be transferred and closed. We need to check with USDA.

Also, Ken brought up that we should be able to pay the water bill though Braver Bank. Need to check with Tina Goven and see if it that was set up.

Jennifer with Solam Law was contacted by Jim Privratsky. She asks that we send all water stuff.

Also, we need to find out which curb stops work and the ones that don't. And get them priced.

Erika Lorenz provided final documents for the park project. There is a \$620.00 reduction to concrete. Not as much needed. Next was for the original payment asking price of a little over \$94,000. 1st payment was made for \$18,247.50 Which leaves a balance of \$75,941.50 to pay. The last document was the Final Except form. Once we excepted, that starts the warranty.

Erika Lorenz turned in a bill for KLJ for \$1,790.12 before meeting. Board had approved this bill to paid. Dakota Playground needs a payment of \$30,000. Erika Lorenz needs copy of front and back of check once clears, statement that check cleared. Then she will put in for reimburse with Garrison Division and Parks and Rec. Jim Privratsky signed all forms and copied. Erika Lorenz wants to also Thank Derek Fiedler for stepping up after Ronnie Schatz passed away. Joe Jerkovich made motion to end the meeting and Kenny Thomsen second it. Motion Passed.