

City of Mercer Minutes June 18, 2015

Those present were Mayor Kathy Schon, Randy Zinke, Allan Laib, Joe Jerkovich, Bryan Breuer, Mark Johnson, Ulteig Engineer, and Marlene Wardner, auditor, Shannon Jeffers and Lynn Oberg, McLean County Water Board

Julie Wagner inquired if we have a contract with McLean County Sheriff's Department. It was stated that there has not been a contract with them for 2 – 3 years. But if there is a problem we are to call sheriff's department or 911. Next year contract will be considered. Comment was also made that no one stops at the stop sign going on to highway 200.

Randy made a motion to except minutes from previous meeting and Bryan seconded motion; motion carried. We have been having trouble getting previous minutes in local newspaper.

Street project bond was paid in May for \$3500.00 with interest of \$787.50. There is a bond schedule from bank if anyone would like to see it. Also completed 2014 audit; with a few notations. They charged \$500.00 for audit so we will check into doing it ourselves. Randy made a motion to except financial report and Bryan seconded, motion passed.

Allan made a motion to pay outstanding bills and Bryan seconded, motion passed.

Income survey was completed through Lewis and Clark; and received a very positive answer that we should be able to get some grant money.

Health report: State health department sent a letter stating there are significant problems that exist in water storage building and cell number 1 and 2 overflowing. We will send a copy of letter to residents. State suggested we have a person certified for waste water.

Will check to see if sign can be lit up and if it is okay to leave at Centennial Park.

Bryan made a motion to leave a key at Ed's for dump ground. They can only take trees to dump ground and no grass clippings. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Allan made a motion that whoever is behind two months on utilities the auditor should notify customer. Then if no payment is made in 10 days water will be shut off. Seconded by Randy. Motion carried. Everyone gets a utility payment book so everyone knows amount they pay every month.

Lewis and Clark Regional Development council gave Kathy a manual for the water line repair work grant that was done in 2006.

Auditor to type list of who will be assessed. Everyone that gets water should be included.

Standards committee should e-mail issues before meeting. May even need a special meeting on a Saturday morning to get standards committee started.

Ulteig informed us Tving the lines could be done by August 1, 2015. If we can open manhole covers we can save money. Need community support and help to find manholes and get them open.

Bryan made a motion to sign work order testing water system, street survey, and storm sewer inspection to see what we have. Seconded by Randy, motion carried.

Ulteig informed council that we will be unable to share the sewer system with Brush Lake because we would not be able to apply for a grant.

Allan made a motion to visit with neighboring farmers about a lift station. Bryan Seconded and motion passed.

Bryan made a motion to sign papers for boring and see what is underground, seconded by Randy. Motion passed.

Allan made a motion to identify what needs to be done in water building and city wells. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Allan made a motion to adjourn and Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting July 16, 2015 at 7:00 PM

**Marlene Wardner
City Auditor**

BILLS:

BHG	\$167.48	OTTER TAIL	\$593.50
DON GROSZ (PARK)	\$50.00	POSTMASTER	\$50.00
HAROLD ZINKE (PARK)	\$80.00	RHONDA STRADINGER (MCC)	\$47.28
HAWKINS	\$63.75	RUST HRDWE (MCC)	\$27.46
HAWKINS	\$123.00	RUST HRDWE (PARK)	\$3.99
JANIE STUTE (MCC – REFUND)	\$50.00	STATE AUDITOR	\$500.00
JOLENE RUST (PARK)	\$180.00	TAND CONSTRUCTION	\$7195.22
LEVEY’S PLUMBING	\$1751.67	ULTEIG	\$4134.90
MCCLEAN ELECTRIC	\$55.38	ULTEIG	\$2096.00
MERCER MACHINE	\$120.00	ULTEIG	\$3525.02
ND ASS’N. FOR OIL & GAS	\$100.00	WASTE MANAGEMENT	\$1121.53
ND INS. DEPT	\$113.25	WRT (TELEPHONE)	\$88.88
ND INS. DEPT	\$629.70		