City of Mercer Minutes December 17, 2015

Mayor Kathy Schon called meeting to order with council members Randy Zinke, Bryan Brewer, Allan Laib, Marlene Wardner, auditor, and A.J. Tuck representing Ulteig.

Allan made motion to approve agenda and Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Bryan made a motion to approved previous minutes and seconded by Randy. Motion carried.

Bryan made motion to approve finances and Randy seconded. Motion carried.

Randy made a motion to approve bills and Allan seconded. Motion carried.

Mayor Kathy Schon appointed Cathy Hill to be the new Mercer City Auditor effective January 1, 2016. Council can appoint a new council member or can run the meeting with three council people.

Discussed passed water bills and auditor told council there was only a couple households behind and they would get it paid by the first of the month.

Allan made a motion to except second ordinance reading about changing utilities to be paid by the 10th of the month instead of the 20th of the month. Bryan seconded and motion carried.

Randy made a motion to except second ordinance reading to change pay for the mayor/water person to \$100.00 per month as long as that person is doing both jobs. Seconded by Bryan and motion carried.

A letter of information concerning CCC meeting about Coal Conversion and Coal Severance and funds we will be receiving in 2016.

Marlene Wardner mentioned she will no longer be an official Tax Assessor after 2015, but will be able to recommend to the county office what needs to be reevaluated for tax purposes. With special assessment the city has two properties to give a value to and if not paid property will go to city.

Mayor received a call about snow being placed on son's property when we have to remove snow from streets could city put snow some in another area.

Randy made a motion for Ulteig to start preliminary building grant for water house and seconded by Allan. Motion carried.

Bryan made a motion for Ulteig to apply for a Search Grant to pay for preliminary grant study and seconded by Allan. Motion carried.

Need an estimate from McLean Sheridan rural water on a new water building or update existing water building.

There was a discussion on the block corners, company went by old maps and did not measure lots on the south end of town. Ulteig will check with them to finish project.

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

Next meeting will be January 21, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

Marlene Wardner, Auditor

Bills to be paid:

BHG	\$138.75	ND Dept of Health	\$442.56
Ed's Service	\$13.20	Otter Tail	\$931.88
Farmers Union	\$325.00	Post Office	\$68.10
Hawkins	\$65.25	Rusts Hardware MCC	\$11.98
McClean Electric	\$55.48	Waste Management	\$1121.53
Morning Joy Farms	\$25.00 refund	WRT	\$88.98
ND Dept of Health	\$16.00		