City of Mercer Minutes April 18, 2019

Mayor Ron Schatz called the meeting to order at 7 pm with Council members Julie Wagner, Randy Zinke, Dennis Howard and Derek Fiedler, Marlene Wardner, Data Collector were also in attendance with Ashley Fiedler, Auditor.

Equalization meeting:

Schatz called on Wardner to give an update on her findings with the updating of the property file cards. Wardner received an abatement form from Gary & Kathrin Volochenko concerning parcel #77-001-001b. They were unable to attend meeting. Wardner explained they can't file an abatement form until they received a tax bill for full value. Wardner will give everything to county for them to review and decide. Wardner also stated they had a few properties that were decreased. Zinke makes motion to approve assessment record, Fiedler seconded it. Motion carried.

City Meeting:

Councilmembers look over minutes. Julie Wagner makes motion to approve minutes, Dennis Howard seconded it. Motion carried.

Finances were reviewed by council. Zinke makes motion to approve finances, Howard seconded it. Motion carried.

Bills were reviewed by council. Wagner makes motion to pay bills, Fiedler seconded it. Motion carried.

Ottertail talked to Mayor Schatz and stated they would like to switch all lights to the LED lights. They also would like us to sign a onetime sheet saying that anytime a light goes out they can change it, instead of having to sign for every light that goes out. Fiedler makes motion to approve the lights and to sign the one time paper, Howard seconded it. Motion carried.

Auditor Fiedler has been talking with Waste management about setting up a spring clean-up day. Just waiting to hear back to see what day works for Waste Management, and how much it will cost.

Councilmember Wagner would like to get a day set for the city wide rummage sale, and also make sure it gets advertised this year. A resident thought maybe the same weekend as the Mercer car show, June 15th. Board will think it over and decide next meeting.

Mayor Schatz talked with Willa Murray and she is willing to keep up the flowers on Main Street, she is also willing to do the Farmers Market if she can get some help as she won't be able to do it every weekend.

Residents are concerned about their meters not running correctly. Residents feel the meters are calculating higher than what residents are actually using. Auditor will be in touch with McLean Sheridan to check if we can have them checked.

Howard makes motion to adjourn meeting, Wagner seconded it. Motion carried.

Next meeting May 16, 2019.

Bills To Pay:

Ashley Fiedler (stamps) - \$55.00
BHG - \$303.20
Hardware Hank - \$14.97 (MCC)
Mclean Sheridan Billing - \$228
McLean Sheridan Water- \$1,131.93
ND Department of Health - \$16
ND water pollution conference - \$120.00
Otter Tail - \$1,130.23
Post office (box renewal) - \$76.00
Waste Management - \$1232.21
WRT - \$176.36