

**City of Meservey Council Minutes
February 14, 2022**

Meeting held via conference call due to the Covid-19 Pandemic

Council Persons Present: Mike Gobeli, Jennifer Rembe, Cyneva Myers, and Mike McNutt.

Mayor Miller Called Meeting to Order at 6:30 PM. Roll call attendance taken.

Approval of Agenda – Motion by Gobeli to approve, 2nd by McNutt. Roll call: Approved unanimously.

Approval of January minutes – Motion to approve by Myers, 2nd by Rembe. Roll call: Approved unanimously.

Approval of Bills – Motion to approve by Gobeli, 2nd by McNutt. Roll call: Approved unanimously.

February Expenditures – Absolute Waste Removal (Garbage) \$1,700.00; Alliant Energy (electric) \$2,497.85; Belmont Independent (publishing) \$65.50; Brown Supply (Curb Stop) \$108.00; Cerro Gordo County (Sewer) \$2,595.10; Cerro Gordo County Treasurer (drainage) \$79.00; Clear Lake Bank & Trust (cam subs.) \$13.88; Clear Lake Sanitary District (water testing) \$35.00; Electronic Specialties (FD exp) \$3,306.00; First Security Bank (box rent) \$15.00; Frontier (phones) \$135.74; Hawkins, Inc. (additives) \$421.94; IPERS (pensions) \$117.19; Landfill of North Iowa (Annual dues) \$299.70; Menards (door lock) \$119.00; Miller & Miller PC (legal fees) \$40.00; NEW Coop (Ice melt) \$29.50; S&H Environmental (Water/Sewer Super.) \$1,911.34; True Value (Maint supply) \$380.04; USPS (box rent) \$54.00; Aimee Miller (Clerk wages) \$663.15; Jennifer Rembe (Water wages) \$198.55; Richard Miller (Mayor Salary) \$122.35.

Public Input – None.

Departmental Reports: Fire dept – None. Library – budget presented by City Clerk. Streets – none.

Water/Sewer – none. Maint /Equip – none.

FY23 Budget – Motion by Gobeli to approve, 2nd by Myers. Carries.

Motion by Myers to set Public Hearing for Proposed Tax Levy on February 28, 2022 at 6:00 PM at Meservey City Hall. 2nd by McNutt. Approved unanimously.

Wages – Mayor recommends to council to increase wages by 10%, they have not been reviewed since August of 2019. Motion by Myers to increase wages to hourly employees by 10% effective February 1st, 2nd by Rembe. Approved unanimously.

Legion Hall Alliant Bill – The Legion has been paying the Alliant bill for the legion building and shelter house. They won't be able to afford to continue paying it and asks if the City could take over the utilities. The property is owned by the City and the Mayor recommends to the Council that the City switch the Alliant Bill to be paid by the City. Motion by Myers to approve, 2nd by Rembe. Approved.

City Wide Clean Up Day – Mayor gives the Council available dates; Council's first choice is April 23rd and if that is no longer available the 2nd choice is June 18th.

Generators – Mayor received bids for both the pump house and the lift station to install automatic generators, he is waiting for a 2nd estimate on each and will present at next meeting.

Trees at Park – Have not been looked at yet due to weather. Tabled

EMT/Ambulance – Mayor states batteries will be \$180-200 each. Motion by Myers to approve the purchase, 2nd by Rembe. Approved.

Abandoned Properties – both properties are going to court on February 28th, Gobeli intends to accompany Mayor to proceedings.

Motion by Myers to adjourn, 2nd by McNutt. Approved unanimously.

Next regular meeting of the Council: March 14, 2022, 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aimee J Miller

(Mayor)