

City of Meservey Council Minutes
March 14, 2022

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

Mayor Miller Called Meeting to Order at 6:30 PM.

Approval of Agenda –Motion by Rembe to approve, 2nd by Myers. Approved unanimously.

Approval of February minutes – Motion to approve by Myers, 2nd by White. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Bills – Motion to approve by Myers, 2nd by McNutt. Approved unanimously.

March Expenditures –Absolute Waste Removal (Garbage) \$1,700.00; Alliant Energy (electric) \$2,321.44; Belmont Independent (publishing) \$139.50; Cerro Gordo County (Sewer) \$2,912.83; Clear Lake Bank & Trust (comp. backup/ambulance batteries) \$461.65; Clear Lake Sanitary District (water testing) \$68.50; Frontier (phones) \$136.40; IPERS (pensions) \$129.77; Koenen Lawn Care (spraying) \$630.00; NEW Coop (Ice melt) \$27.00; Office of Auditor of State (periodic exam fee) \$550.00; S&H Environmental (Water/Sewer Super.) \$3,071.30; Staples (office supply) \$584.10; True Value (Maint supply) \$30.99; Aimee Miller (Clerk wages) \$729.33; Jennifer Rembe (Water wages) \$218.41; Michael Gobeli (admin wages/mileage) \$55.42; Richard Miller (Mayor Salary/Maint/Water) \$239.88.

Public Input – None.

Departmental Reports: Fire dept – Julie Kaduce in attendance, has been involved in EMS, training, Emergency Mgmt, and Community Foundation. Wants to discuss the EMS van plus Meservey Fire & Rescue Foundation project. She believes the contents of the van should stay in Meservey and would like to inventory them herself. The rig won't be here for the annual fireworks and they need to make sure there is an EMS available for the event. Certain things you must be trained to use, but would like to see what can realistically be kept in Meservey. There could be an emergency event where mutual aid couldn't get here and at least the tools would be available to provide care. This building is a community shelter and the only building in town that is ADA compliant; the MF&R Found. would like to have a standby generator installed. They have received bids from Floyd and Leonard and Jim Hunt electric with a cost upwards of \$12,500. It would be run on natural gas with the ability to hook up to propane in the event Alliant cuts off natural gas in a storm event. Would like a commitment from the City to contribute \$5,000 toward the project. Library – none. Streets – Heartland will be coming soon to look at what needs attention. Water/Sewer – S&H completed work in the waterworks bldg. Maint /Equip – none.

Public Hearing – FY23 Budget. No public input.

FY23 Budget – Motion by White to approve, 2nd by Myers. Approved unanimously. Motion by Rembe to waive the 3rd reading, 2nd by McNutt. Approved..

Ambulance Bid – Only received one bid from Mason City Motor Speedway for \$2,500. They intend to use it at the track only, will still call 911 if someone needs transported. Motion by White to accept the bid, 2nd by Rembe. Approved.

Building Permits – Chris Sawvell applied to construct a garage at 308 Ohio Street, Richard Harman applied to construct a chain link fence around his property at 116 1st Street. Motion by Rembe to approve both, 2nd by Myers. Approved.

Trailer – Mayor would like a flatbed trailer or hayrack to haul branches, asks Council to keep an eye out for any used ones that are for sale.

Lucas Water Connection – Pump is going out at their private well, they would like to connect to City water. Lauen gave estimate for \$3,000 from main to house. City will pay for curb stop and connection to main, property owners would be responsible for service line and connection to house. Motion by White to approve, 2nd by Rembe. Approved.

Generators – Have been unable to obtain additional estimates, DeBour bids seem to be in line with other projects. Clerk is working on grant application to Cerro Gordo Community Found. Motion by White to move forward with the project, 2nd by Myers. Approved.

Trees at Park – Have not been looked at yet, tree service has been busy with storm clean-up. There is also a City owned light pole at the park that needs to be straightened.

Discussion regarding coop water usage, recommendations from S&H Environmental and the IDNR.

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

Next regular meeting of the Council: April 11, 2022, 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aimee J Miller

(Mayor)