

**CITY OF MERIDEN
APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 11, 2020**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:03 PM

THOSE PRESENT

Council Members: BJ Whiteman Jackie Cummings Brian Smith

 Richard White Floyd Cozadd (Arrived at 7:07 pm)

Dana Boyer, Mayor Carrie Daniels, City Clerk Lee Hendricks, City Attorney

NEW BUSINESS

Brian Smith was sworn into City Council position.

Opened the 2021 Proposed Budget Hearing. No one appeared, so meeting was closed.

Motion was made by Richard White, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to approve the 2021 Proposed Budget. Motion passed 5-0.

Lee Hendricks, City Attorney, relayed what has transpired with Leanna Snavelly property. Council agreed with Lee that the day after council meeting on September 8, 2020; if truck hasn't moved, it will be picked up.

SEWER AND TRASH DELINQUENCIES

Sewer delinquencies were discussed. Please check Account #0598 and Account #0192, amounts were exactly the same as last month. Jackie Cummings was just asking if Jerri Lederer would look at these.

Council members were all pleased with the job Jerri Lederer is doing, as they relayed the delinquencies are down to one page!

POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME

Jason Boyer, Chief of Police, relayed several young guys, have been harassing and hot rodding around town. Vehicles had D's on the back of their pickups and since have changed the location of emblems. They have been told, as have their parents, to stop this. Richard White relayed they are not equipped with mufflers. Is that legal and can they be ticketed for this? Richard asked if a ticket was given to the guys doing donuts and peeling out on Main Street. Lee Hendricks, relayed we can do a long form and Jason Boyer will look at cameras around 11:00 p.m. or so.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Matt Williams, Maintenance Department, relayed that Bettis Asphalt crew came down with Covid-19. Should be ready to start in August, 2020, hopefully before school starts.

Sidewalks are almost completed on South Miller Street. Mayor Dana Boyer, relayed she has received a lot of compliments from the teachers and people at the school regarding the new sidewalk on S. Miller St. Matt Williams said sidewalk on Wyandotte Street maybe a project for next year.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – CON'T

Matt Williams spoke of the box culvert at North Main Street, north of the U.S Post Office. He said the County Road & Bridge personnel came out today. Matt said the culvert was approved awhile back.

ATTORNEY TIME

Lee Hendricks, City Attorney, spoke of the Planning & Zoning Committee's, Request for Service's and explained procedure to Jerri Lederer. Lee Hendricks and Jason Boyer were already addressing several of the requests prior to receiving the Planning & Zoning request. Lee Hendricks relayed what he and Jason Boyer talked about with trailer park owner William Segenhagen. Council was pleased with what has been done so far. William Segenhagen is still working on eliminating piles of brush and getting rid of several more trailers.

MAYOR TIME

Mayor Dana Boyer, had driven around town and was concerned about ditch maintenance of weeds. She commented on whether putting on utility bills or website to remind citizens that it is their responsibility to maintain the ditches on their property.

Richard White asked Mayor Dana Boyer if anyone has heard about any houses going in next to Prairie Bend and Mayor Dana Boyer said she had not.

APPROVE THE MINUTES

Motion was made by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Richard White, to approve July 14, 2020 minutes and July 29, 2020 minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES

Motion was made by Floyd Cozadd, seconded by Jackie Cummings, to approve current expenditures. Motion passed 5-0.

CONTINUE OR ADJOURN THE MEETING

Motion made by Jackie Cummings, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:



Jerri Lederer, Assistant City Clerk

