

**CITY OF MERIDEN
APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2022**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

THOSE PRESENT

Council Members: Brian Smith Jackie Cummings Floyd Cozadd BJ Whiteman

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

NEW BUSINESS

Jerry Cozadd, owner of The 1890 Ice House, Would like to apply for a Revitalization Grant. City Council must approve, and city will have to do the application. Twenty five percent of the grant must be matched and can be matched by any party. It doesn't need to be the City, and after a call with Brett Waggoner, Lee Hendricks said that it usually is the city who applies and the owner who matches.

Phase 1 – They are going to apply for \$150,000 for the Exterior of Building.

Council has to say it is an old, blighted building on Main Street that needs rehab. The owner believes the renovation would create seven (7) to ten (10) jobs. There is grant money available for job retainage.

Lee Hendricks will get with Brett Wagoner, Government Assistance Services, (GAS) to come to next meeting in September.

Motion made by Brian Smith, seconded by Jackie Cummings to table The 1890 Ice House Grant Application until next month. Motion passed 4-0.

Jefferson County Community Development – Notification Area/Application – Mammoth Sports Complex, LLC. East side of Anderson Road between 66th and 74th Street. Notice from Jefferson County Planning Committee Meeting will be held September 26, 2022, Lee Hendricks stated that this notification dealt with a property Mammoth is requesting be rezoned outside the city limits, but within the city's notification area. He said that after conversations with Mammoth, the only effect the rezoning might have on the city is the movement of certain heavy equipment through town to get from the Mammoth offices to the property in question. Lee Hendricks asked the council if it was agreeable for him to send a letter to the County on behalf of the City informing the County that the city is agreeable to the re-zoning but would merely ask that the truck traffic be kept to a minimum to protect the city streets and resident traveling on them. The council agreed to have Hendricks send a letter on its behalf.

Discussion was held concerning Cox Internet Speed. A representative from Cox sent an email with rates being cheaper and faster if we upgrade the internet.

Motion made by Floyd Cozadd, seconded by BJ Whiteman, to accept Jayhawk Court Software Contract with Advantage Computer for an additional user and training hours. Motion passed 4-0.

Rod Bingham, Rural Water District #1 President, was present to speak about Fire Hydrants. Meriden had originally fourteen (14) fire hydrants. There are several that aren't functioning, especially the one at South Side of Grade School. New Hydrants are about \$4,500. In 1957, there was an agreement with the City of Meriden and Rural Water that the city would maintain the fire hydrants. Some of the hydrants need replacement parts and possibly replaced. Lee Hendricks, City Attorney, will look at the information given to him to study before making any decisions.

OLD BUSINESS

Tiffany McCall spoke on behalf of Meriden Pride, relayed the VFW will not be setting up a beer garden, The 1890 Ice House will be the sole provider for the Fall Festival's beer garden.

Motion made by Jackie Cummings, seconded by Brian Smith, that City of Meriden would supply Port a Potties and Hand Washing Station. Motion passed 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS – CON'T

Motion made by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to have Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:00 pm and have Revenue Neutral Rate and Budget Hearing Meeting at 7:00 pm. Motion passed 4-0.

SEWER AND TRASH DELINQUENCIES

Sewer and trash delinquencies were discussed. Certified letter will be sent to Travis Hansen – 107 Palmer for delinquent sewer and trash bill.

POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME

Chief Jason Boyer relayed they had Active Shooter Training. Jason Boyer has purchased additional Ammunition for shooting range practice.

Looking for experienced law enforcement person, that would be available for any emergency that may occur at any Jefferson West Schools, to be able to work with school safety and allow for a quicker response time, should no Meriden Police Officer or Jefferson County Sheriff be available within the vicinity.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Matt Williams reported the City of Meriden's truck was back in the shop again. Matt has been painting crosswalks, and new lights for school traffic. The sidewalk grant that was due this fall has been pushed back to February, 2023.

ATTORNEY TIME

Executive Session for attorney/client Privilege was called at 8:27 pm for 5 minutes.

Executive Session for non-elected personnel exception was called at 8:33 pm for 10 minutes.

Motion made by Brian Smith, seconded by Floyd Cozadd to approve motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Jesse Foster felt Rock Creek Township would help with some of the repairs. Lee will review City Water Hydrant Ordinance's and give a response to the City Council.

MAYOR TIME

Nothing at this time.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion made by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Jackie Cummings, to approve May 10, 2022, minutes after correction in new business for times to change the wording.

Motion passed 3-0. Jackie Cummings abstained.

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MOTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES

*Motion was made by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to approve current expenditures.
Motion passed 4-0.*

CONTINUE OR ADJOURN THE MEETING

*Motion made by Brian Smith, seconded by Jackie Cummings, to adjourn the meeting.
Motion passed 4-0.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: *Jerri Lederer*
Jerri Lederer, Assistant City Clerk

