

City of Meservey Council Minutes

April 14, 2025

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

Mayor Miller Called Meeting to Order at 6:00 PM.

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

Approval of March minutes – Motion to approve all by Gobeli, 2nd by McNutt. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Bills – Motion to approve and pay bills by Myers, 2nd by Gobeli. Approved unanimously.

April Expenditures – Absolute Waste Removal (Garbage) \$1,860.00; Alliant Energy (electric/nat gas) \$1,904.41; Belmond Independent (publishing) \$529.75; Cerro Gordo County (Sewer) \$3,347.62; Clear Lake Bank & Trust (office supply/FD equip) \$931.05; Clear Lake Sanitary District (water testing) \$44.00; Dakota Supply (meter parts) \$111.24; DeBour Electric (install outlet) \$118.07; Hawkins (additives) \$490.50; Treas-State of IA (WET-Mar) \$233.69 (WH) \$45.00; IPERS (pensions) \$143.54; KC Nielsen (tractor parts) \$199.02; Lauen Construction (water leak, haul rock, snow rem) \$1,479.68; Meservey Public Library (apportion) \$3,875.00; Router12 (phones/internet) \$145.00; S&H Environmental (Water/Sewer Super) \$1,735.00; True Value (supplies) \$30.75; US Treasury (payroll taxes) \$621.86; Aimee Frohling (Clerk wages) \$800.29; Jennifer Rembe (water assist) \$223.49; Richard Miller (Mayor Salary) \$203.61.

March Receipts – Property Tax \$367.65; LOST \$4,196.74; Rent/Interest \$248.89; Township Fire \$\$3,083.08; Road Use \$1,584.85; Utilities \$9,574.48.

Public Input – none.

Departmental Reports: Fire dept – Jordan White presents to council regarding ISO Rating/Insurance Rating and how the trucks went through inspection. The Fire Dept Foundation has put money down on a used truck, and asks if the City could put down the rest and then keep the Fire Dept CD when it matures. Will likely give the Ventura truck away, as it was given to us. With more pumping capacity, the City's ISO rating should come down to a 5 from a 7 and would help homeowners and businesses in town keep insurance rates down. Gobeli moves for the City to fund the remaining balance of the truck, 2nd by Burke. Approved. Library – none. Streets – received estimates for 6 blocks of street repair; Heartland \$45,353.45 for asphalt and Blacktop Services \$17,474.02 for seal coat. Motion by Gobeli to table for one year, 2nd by McNutt. Tabled. Water/Sewer – none. Maint /Equip – received estimates to replace snow blade on tractor; KC Nielsen \$5,800.00 and VanWall \$5,150.00. Would be an extra \$100 to get a 10' blade instead of 9' at each business. Motion by Myers to purchase a 10' blade from VanWall, 2nd by Burke. Approved.

RAGBRAI – Guest Ross Stadlander has experienced 3 RAGBRAI's and is also involved in Dusey Days. Provides Council with lots of information and ideas for the event. Stadlander is willing to assist the City to make the event successful.

Further consideration of bids for the Phase I Water Supply System Improvements Project (Contracts I-III), recommendations from Short Elliot Hendrickson.

Resolution 2025-07 Awarding contracts to the following: Contract I – Cahoy Pump Service in the amount of \$282,107.00, Contract II – JB Holland Construction Inc. in the amount of \$599,999.00, and Contract III – Dakota Supply Group in the amount of \$68,375.00. Motion made by Myers, 2nd by McNutt. Approved unanimously upon roll call vote with White absent.

Resolution 2025-06 fixing date for public hearing to enter into Water Revenue and Loan Disbursement Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$765,000. Motion by Gobeli to fix the date for May 12, 2025 at 6:00 PM, 2nd by Burke. Approved unanimously upon roll call vote with White absent.

SEH New Well Project – discussed technicalities, will have to pass an Ordinance increasing the water rates to go into effect when the loan would come due to satisfy requirements by SRF, however can cancel the Ordinance amendment after the loan is forgiven at the conclusion of the project.

Lawn Mowing – Received one application for permanent seasonal mowing employee from Krista Dickman. Motion by Gobeli to hire her, 2nd by Myers. Approved.

Motion by Gobeli to adjourn, 2nd by Burke. Approved.

Next regular meeting of the Council: May 12, 2025, 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Aimee J Frohling

(Mayor)