

City of Meservey Council Minutes
July 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 Gobeli to approve, 2nd by Myers. Approved unanimously.

Approval of June minutes – Motion to approve by McNutt, 2nd by Burke. Approved unanimously.

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

July Expenditures – Absolute Waste Removal (Garbage/bags for RAGBRAI) \$1,867.50; Alliant Energy (electric/nat gas) \$1,657.54; Belmond Independent (publishing) \$78.65; BMC Aggregates (road stone) \$282.95; Cerro Gordo Co Emerg Mgmt (approp) \$61.87; Cerro Gordo County (Sewer) \$2,972.77; Christian Larsen (tilling) \$200.00; Clear Lake Bank & Trust (comp soft/FD equip) \$571.66; Clear Lake Sanitary District (water testing) \$44.00; Electronic Engineering (FD Radio) \$307.45; Treas-State of IA (WET-Jun) \$319.93 (WH) \$45.00; IA DNR (supply fee) \$25.00; IA League Cities (dues) \$398.00; Iowa One Call (locate serv) \$40.50; IPERS (pensions) \$133.71; Lauen Excavating (haul road stone) \$175.57; Megan Peterson (RAGBRAI exp) \$232.68; Meservey Public Library (apportion) \$3,875.00; Richard Miller (receipt reimb) \$54.54; Router12 (phones/internet) \$145.00; S&H Environmental (Water/Sewer Super) \$1,735.00; Short Elliot Hendrickson (engineering) \$22,310.38; Speer Financial (fin. advisor) \$5,000.00; State Hygienic Lab (sewer testing) \$291.00; Thornton/Meservey EMS (Ambulance) \$1,500.00; True Value (supplies) \$132.83; US Treasury (payroll taxes) \$883.84; Aimee Frohling (Clerk wages) \$746.50; Cyneva Myers (council pay) \$110.82; Jennifer Burke (council pay) \$138.52; Jennifer Rembe (water assist) \$218.41; Michael Gobeli (council pay) \$110.82; Michael McNutt (council pay/maint) \$301.06; Patrick White (council pay) \$110.82; Richard Miller (Mayor Salary, maint) \$264.57.

June Receipts – Property Tax \$1,374.69; LOST \$3,341.80; Rent/Interest \$242.90; Road Use \$2,728.76; Utilities \$10,514.88; RAGBRAI \$1,500.00.

Public Input – none. Motion by Burke to move RAGBRAI up on the agenda, 2nd by Myers. Approved. Megan Peterson summarizes current plans for the event, a couple of vendors will be camping at the park the night before, vendors have been notified that they must be set up no later than 7:30 AM. There will be a committee meeting tomorrow next door, will decide on a time to mark out vendor spaces on the street. Public bathrooms will be locked during the event.

Departmental Reports: Fire dept – none. Library – none. Streets – there is a bad spot on 4th street, need to investigate if something has collapsed before repairing, the house next to there has been unoccupied and isn't connected to the sewer system, may be a tile line from septic? Mayor will discuss getting that place connected to sewer with the new owner and will have Lauen do some investigating. Wat/Sewer – S&H has hired an employee, will train him here as a back-up. Maint /Equip – none.

SEH New Well Project – Christina Skalko gave updates, the well rig is here, there's a question about a tree still needing removed, sign is up. Mayor signed a BABA waiver. Discussed placement of a new fire hydrant near the well

Change Order #1 – Upsizing the generator at the new well house in case the pump needs to be deeper than our other one, won't know until the driller finishes, there is a 40 week lead time on ordering generators, so would prefer to be safe and get the larger one to meet deadline. Cost difference is an additional \$12,661.50 including bigger gauge wiring and a bigger concrete pad, etc. Motion by Myers to approve, 2nd by Gobeli. Approved.

Old well house generator – estimate received from TJ Electric for a VFD to convert power between the generator and the pump, could be funded by the project upon DNR approval. Presented to council by engineer for contractor, however the engineer has no opinion either way, not necessarily making a recommendation. Mayor has talked to Northway Well Company where we keep our spare pump and they could change out the motor size the next time we switch for significantly less money.

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

Next regular meeting of the Council: August 11, 2025, 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Aimee J Frohling

(Mayor)