

Town of Mercer  
 Meeting Minutes for January 18<sup>th</sup> 2018  
 (unapproved)

- Chairman John Sendra called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm in the Haines Building.
- **Roll Call:** Chairman John Sendra, Supervisors Tom Thompson, Mike Lambert, Chuck Schroepfer, Jeff Stenberg, and Clerk Christan Brandt. Absent Treasurer Lin Miller and Attorney Fritz Schellgell.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the prior meeting minutes made by Supervisor Tom Thompson, seconded by Supervisor Chuck Schroepfer. Carried.
- **Public Comment:** Jim Hanneman stated his concerns regarding the rental fees for the Community Center. He stated that he should not have to pay taxes and pay extra to rent it.
- **Board Approval/denial for addition to Lotter’s Mercer BP at Hwy 51:** Frank Lotter owner of BP and Brad from Keller Engineering were here to discuss the addition to the store as well as moving the tanks and the canopy. The board stated that they do not see an issue with the preliminary drawings. They would briefly discuss with the Planning Commission and Supervisor Stenberg would contact Brad with more information.
- **Eagle Waste contract:** Attorney Schellgell was absent to discuss the issue, but the Clerk stated he had mentioned that a letter could be sent to Eagle Waste to inform them that the Town will not be renewing the contact when it is up.
- **Cramer Lake Road update:** Chairman Sendra stated that he contacted Dr. Siedel and he is in agreement to let us use his property during the construction of the Cramer Lake Bridge. His property comes out on Great Northern Trail which then you take to Hwy 51. Kevin Meyer from CORRE was in earlier this week to give an update on the project and stated they are looking to start June 15. They are not sure when it will be completed, but they have to be done by October 15<sup>th</sup>. They will also have a meeting in March to inform all the residents involved of the preparations that are being made.
- **Conditional use permit for a Tourist Rooming house at 4907W Moose Creek Lane owned by Anne Wetzloff of Archer Creek:** Supervisor Jeff Stenberg stated that we have all the proper documentation. Motion to approve made by Supervisor Jeff Stenberg, seconded by Supervisor Mike Lambert. Carried.
- **Fee Schedule for Community Center:** Clerk Christan Brandt stated after months of contacting and emailing other towns to compare information, reviewing the costs incurred, as well as going over items with the board, we have come up with a fee schedule. Some of the fees were already in place but we did lower the cost of the Security deposits. All organizations and non-profits will have to pay the new rental/cleaning fee and refundable security deposits. The Health and Wellness and the Lioness Club will be charged an annual fee of \$100. This will include the use for meetings, exercise and Bingo. Fees will be charged for fundraisers and luncheons. Fees will be published in the Iron County Miner. Motion to approve made by Supervisor Chuck Schroepfer, seconded by Supervisor Tom Thompson. Carried.

**Community Center Fees:**

	Charge	Refundable
	Cleaning/ Rental Fee	Security Deposit
Mercer Residents	\$100	\$100
With kitchen	\$150	\$100
Local organizations meetings only	\$50	\$100
Local organization/ nonprofit fundraisers, potlucks & Luncheons	\$75	\$100

Nonresident/ organization	\$125	\$150
w/ kitchen	\$175	\$150
nonresident nonprofit meeting only	\$75	\$150

Lioness will be charged an annual fee of \$100 for Bingo, Blood Drives & meetings.  
 Health and Wellness will be charged an annual fee of \$100 for exercise classes & meetings.  
 These clubs will be charged additional fees for events such as luncheons etc.

- **Legal:** Attorney Schellgell was not present but Supervisor Jeff Stenberg stated that we needed to speak with Fritz regarding two lots in the Business Park.
- **Vouchers:** Clerk Christan Brandt presented checks 37511 to 37541, 100345,346, 1000343,344 totaling \$1,691,920.90 and the vouchers for checks 37542 to 34573 in the amount of \$16,740.20. Motion to approve the vouchers and issue the checks made by Supervisor Jeff Stenberg, seconded by Supervisor Mike Lambert. Carried.
- **Treasurer's Report:** The Clerk stated that the general account ending balance was \$203,814.13 and our total amount of funds were \$2,662,964.39. Motion to approve made by Supervisor Jeff Stenberg, seconded by Supervisor Chuck Schroepfer. Carried.
- **Chair's Report:** Chairman John Sendra stated that he had placed the Sidel contract for the Board's review in the office. The Kerwin property has fallen to the **condemnation** process, the Stevens property on Hwy 51 has sold. The Echo Lake property that an individual wants to purchase from the Town adjoins their property and it will add additional revenue to the tax roll if we want to sell it to them. They will need to pay for the appraisal and survey as we do not need to sell it and do not need to spend tax dollars on this. As some may be aware, we do not have a doctor here in town at the Marshfield Clinic. He stated that he contacted Dr. Melmer and they have been searching desperately to get someone here. It is difficult as usually the spouse ends up being unhappy here.
- **Supervisor Chuck Schroepfer:** He stated that Forslund will be coming on Tuesday to install the insulation at the Community Center. Glen with Architect North will be coming on Monday to look over the condition of the building. He also spoke with The Town of Sherman in regards to Wilson Lake Road, and they want to meet to come to a resolution.
- **Supervisor Jeff Stenberg:** The new owner at Mercer Rentals is interested in a lot in the Business Park. He wants to have a building for rental equipment.
- **Supervisor Tom Thompson:** The Ambulance and Fire Departments are getting prices together for new equipment, so that we should start saving for these items. He also asked about the solar panels and why Jerry was snow plowing a path to the panel. Supervisor Chuck Schroepfer stated that he shouldn't be and that he does have to plow around to the back of the building where the emergency door exists the reading room. Supervisor Schroepfer also stated that he found out that Teresa and Jerry were removing snow from the panels when they had time. Chairman Sendra will schedule a meeting to get this taken care of as it was stated that the Friends were going to take care of all maintenance.
- **Public Comment:** Bill Brundage asked if the Town had figured out a resolution for the drain issue with the compactor. They have not but were thinking of using granules first once it warms up again.
- **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Chuck Schroepfer, seconded by Supervisor Mike Lambert. Carried.

Approved:

Christan Brandt, Town Clerk