



CITY OF MERRILL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES • SATURDAY APRIL 23, 2016

Regular Meeting

Merrill Airport Terminal Building

8:00 AM

I. Call to Order

Mayor Bialecki called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Pete Lokemoen	Aldersperson - Second District	Present	
Ryan Schwartzman	Aldersperson - Third District	Present	
Kandy Peterson	Aldersperson - Fourth District	Excused	
John Burgener	Aldersperson - Fifth District & President	Excused	
Rob Norton	Aldersperson - Seventh District	Present	
Tim Meehean	Aldersperson - Eighth District	Present	
Mary Ball	Aldersperson - Sixth District	Present	
Paul Russell	Aldersperson - First District	Present	
Bill Bialecki	Mayor	Present	

Also in attendance: City Administrator Dave Johnson, City Attorney Tom Hayden, Finance Director Kathy Unertl, Public Works Director/City Engineer Rod Akey, Utility Superintendent Kim Kriewald, Police Chief Ken Neff, Street Superintendent Dustin Bonack, Information Technology Manager Ron Turner, Chad Collinsworth, Frank Livermore, Kevin Terry, Art Lersch, Gary Schwartz, Duane Pfister and City Clerk Bill Heideman.

II. Public Comment Period

None.

III. Presentation: Drug Concerns in Lincoln County

Before the presentations began, Alderman Lokemoen stated his opposition to giving consideration to non-budgeted items outside of the budget preparation timeframe. Mayor Bialecki responded that this a problem that needs addressing.

Chad Collinsworth (Lincoln County Sheriff's Department) gave two presentations related to drug concerns in this area.

Police Chief Neff then gave a presentation on a potential new full-time Drug Investigator position in the Merrill Police Department.

IV. Presentation: Open Meetings, Open Records, Conflict of Interest

Kevin Terry (Ruder-Ware) distributed information and gave a presentation.

V. Presentation: Community Area Network Feasibility Study

Information Technology Manager Turner and Frank Livermore (Livermore Technology) gave a presentation.

VI. Lunch

Lunch break began at noon. Alderman Meehean departed at this time.

At 12:40 P.M., Mayor Bialecki called the meeting back to order.

VII. Presentation: Update on Airport Improvement Plans

Airport Commission Chairperson Gary Schwartz gave a presentation.

VIII. Presentation: Overview & Discussion of Utility Needs

Utility Superintendent Kriewald distributed information and gave a presentation.

Alderwoman Ball departed at 1:07 P.M.

IX. Presentation: Tax Incremental Districts Overview

Finance Director Unertl distributed information and gave a presentation.

X. Discussion of where City is going

No discussion on this was held at this time.

XI. Adjournment

Motion (Schwartzman/Norton) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 1:40 P.M.