



CITY OF MERRILL

WATER & SEWAGE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES • WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2018

Regular Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

5:00 PM

I. Call to Order

Alderman Norton called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Rob Norton	Aldersperson - Seventh District	Present	
Steve Osness	Aldersperson - Fourth District	Present	
Steve Hass	Aldersperson - Second District	Present	

Also in attendance: City Administrator Dave Johnson, Mayor Derek Woellner, Utility Operations Manager Gave Steinagel, Public Works Director/City Engineer Rod Akey, Street Superintendent Dustin Bonack, Street Commissioner Ron Liberty (arr. 5:10), Alderman John Van Lieshout (arr. 5:18), Police Chief Corey Bennett (arr. 5:25) and City Clerk Bill Heideman. A student was in attendance to tape the meeting for Merrill Productions.

II. Preliminary Items

1. September & October Vouchers

Motion (Osness/Hass) to approve the vouchers.

RESULT: APPROVED

III. Agenda Items for Consideration

1. Discussion & recommendation on request from Oh Jay Services LLC to be allowed to dispose of septic/holding tank wastes at the Merrill Wastewater Treatment Plant.

A copy of the application was in the meeting packet.

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel reported that the proper background checks have been done and he has no concerns with the application.

Motion (Osness/Hass) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED

2. Consider 3% adjustment to Water & Sewage Service Fees for 2019

A copy of the proposed adjustments was in the meeting packet.

It was noted that this increase is only for specialized services that may be requested or necessary. It is not an increase in general water and sewer rates and would not result in an increase to a standard water/sewer bill.

Motion (Norton/Osness) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL	Next: 12/11/2018 7:00 PM
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3. Consider potential additional Sewage Replacement Fund Allocation

Information was in the meeting packet.

Motion (Hass/Norton) to approve a transfer of \$100,000 from the Sewer Utility Fund to the Sewer Replacement Fund.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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4. Discussion on mixer for East Street Tower

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel had requested that this item be revisited. He reported that the estimated cost is now \$23,400, down from \$40,000.

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel distributed water quality information.

No action was taken at this time.

IV. Monthly Report

1. Operations Report

The report was in the meeting packet.

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel verbally reviewed the report.

V. Public Comment Period

Fluoridation in the water was discussed.

VI. Establish date, time and location of next meeting

Wednesday, December 19th, 2018 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Hall Common Council Chambers.

VII. Adjournment

Motion (Osness/Hass) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 5:27 P.M.