



CITY OF MERRILL
WATER & SEWAGE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE
MINUTES • WEDNESDAY MARCH 27, 2019

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: Mayor Derek Woellner, Utility Operations Manager Gabe Steinagel, Public Works Director/City Engineer Rod Akey, Street & Weed Commissioner Ron Liberty, Street Superintendent Dustin Bonack (arr. 5:18), Tyler Torkelson (arr. 5:10) and City Clerk Bill Heideman. A representative from Merrill Productions was present to videotape the meeting.

II. Preliminary Items

1. February Vouchers

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel answered questions related to the vouchers.

Motion (Hass/Osness to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED

III. Agenda Items for Consideration

1. Review of the Wastewater Treatment Plants approved WPDES Permit

The permit was in the meeting packet.

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel reported on the permit. Phosphorus levels are acceptable, which will allow for five years of additional planning. This was the only major change in the permit.

No action was taken.

2. Discussion on the need for Water Tower Mixers

No information was in the meeting packet. Public Works Director/City Engineer Akey reported that installing mixers would help prevent freeze-ups.

Motion (Hass/Osness) to refer to the Common Council with no recommendation.

RESULT: REFERRED TO COUNCIL **Next: 4/9/2019 7:00 PM**

IV. Monthly Report

1. Operations Report

The report was distributed at the meeting.

Utility Operations Manager Steinagel reviewed the report.

Alderman Hass reported that he has been contacted by a constituent who was asked to run water continuously recently to prevent a freeze-up. This also resulted in her using considerably more water softener than she would usually use. Consideration of compensation for the water softener and/or water bill adjustment will be an item on the April meeting agenda.

V. Public Comment Period

None.

VI. Establish date, time & location of next meeting

Wednesday, April 24th, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Hall Common Council Chambers.

VII. Adjournment

Motion (Norton/Hass) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 5:21 P.M.