

# City of Mertzon

City Council Meeting Minutes

May 6, 2024

## Regular City Council Meeting

### Those Present:

Mayor: Aubrey Stewart

### Mayor Pro-Tem:

Jayton Lindley

### Council Members:

Danny Crutchfield

Charlene Holland

Randy Councilman

Micah Elliott

### Employees:

Michele Rabenaldt, City Administrator

Steve Thompson, Operations Supervisor

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Aubrey Stewart, with quorum present.

Opening prayer was given by Councilman Crutchfield.

Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Texas Flag were recited by all in attendance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Two county residents Ryan Akers and Paxton Rosh voiced their concerns about little information being put out by law enforcement.

**IRION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE:** Mayor Stewart updated the council about his conversations with Judge Criner and Sheriff Estes. He also asked for the council to allow him to reach out and set up a meeting between the City, County, Sheriff's office and the ICISD to try and facilitate better communication during emergency events. The council verbally agreed more communication between all parties needs to take place.

**STOP SIGNS AND SPEED LIMIT SIGNS IN THE CITY LIMITS:** Councilman Elliott made a motion to remove all speed signs in the city limits and move forward with pro forma. Councilman Crutchfield seconded. Vote as follows: For – Elliott, Lindley and Crutchfield Against - Holland. Motion passed. Council asked that the Stop signs be put on the agenda for 5/20/24 and that the City Attorney Jeff Betty be present to answer questions from the council.

**FLEMING STREET REPAIRS:** Councilman Elliott made a motion to keep Fleming Street closed until flooding issues with the school had been resolved. No second. Motion failed.

**TXDOT CONTRACT FOR RADAR SIGN:** Councilman Holland made a motion to not sign the contract with TXDOT and keep the radar sign off the highways. Councilman Crutchfield seconded. Vote as follows: For – Holland, Lindley and Crutchfield Against – Elliott. Motion passed.

**THIRD AND FAYETTE SHOULDER BARRIER:** Councilman Holland made a motion to table item till 5/20/24 meeting when City Attorney will be present. Councilman Elliott seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

**PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:** No prior minutes.

**FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS:** Councilman Lindley made a motion to approve all financial documents. Councilman Elliott seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

**DAILY OPERATIONS UPDATE:** Information presented by Operations Supervisor Steve Thompson

1. Replaced water meter and shut off on 516 W. James.
2. Dug up water line at 810 N. 5<sup>th</sup>.
3. Installed new regulator at 107 E. James.
4. Fixed water leak on SE Railroad.
5. Dumped, hauled and incorporated sludge to application field.
6. Lifted 7 manholes and cleaned off 3 manholes.
7. Patched roads from repairing water shut offs.
8. Filled potholes in town.
9. Installed new pulley and belt on the Ferris, worked on the concrete mixer and made repairs to Scag.
10. Hauled trash from the creek 4 times.
11. Mowed and weedeated baseball fields and sprinkler fields.
12. Sprayed for mesquite trees at the Holfackets for maintenance of Craven Well water lines.
13. Took sludge samples to the lab.

**ITEMS FROM COUNCIL:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilman Lindley made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Crutchfield seconded. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:53p.m.

Signed:  
Mayor



Signed:

City Administrator

