

**MINUTES OF MENNO CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**February 6, 2017**

Mayor Darrell Mehlhaf called the city council to order at 7:30 p.m. on February 6, 2017 in the finance office at city hall. Council answering roll call: George Cokens, Ron Diede, Jerry Fischer and Scott Simonsen. Finance Assistant Janelle Bender, Police Chief Michael Hofeldt, Superintendent Anthony Cokens, Editor Erik Kaufman, Patty Hurst and Heather Sluzevich were also present.

**Agenda:** Diede moved to approve the agenda. Cokens seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**REGULAR MEETING ITEMS: Minutes:** Cokens moved to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2017 regular meeting. Fischer seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Finance Report:** Fischer moved to approve the January finance report. Cokens seconded the motion. All votes aye.

	General	Restricted GO Bond	Water	Restricted Water Meter Surchg	Sewer	Restricted GO Bond Ph 1 Sewer Surchg	Restricted Rural Dev Ph 2 Sewer Surchg	Restricted Perpetual Care	Totals
Checking Balance 12/30/16	334,692.90	35,818.81	16,756.04	6,408.03	83,403.94	50,276.10	51,977.73	2,052.86	581,386.41
Warrants:	(36,859.53)		(7,170.69)	(3,295.57)	(6,902.17)		(3,077.00)		(57,304.96)
JE Adjustment –January 2017	72.32		(300.29)	48.05	77.94	64.24	37.74		0.00
Receipts:	46,503.86	14.88	9,845.59	746.44	8,380.12	2,462.76	2,128.26	200.00	70,281.91
Interest:	14.92	1.54	.99		8.13				25.58
Checking Balance 1/31/17	344,424.47	35,835.23	19,131.64	3,906.95	84,967.96	52,803.10	51,066.73	2,252.86	594,388.94
Profit or (Loss) for the month	9,731.57	16.42	2,375.60	(2,501.08)	1,564.02	2,527.00	(911.00)	200.00	13,002.53

**Warrants:** Simonsen moved to approve the following warrants. Diede seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

**WARRANTS APPROVED:** Council 768.05; Mayor 253.96; Finance 1585.31; Building 43.60; Police 2711.40; Street 2060.83; Garbage 202.06; Cemetery 122.71; Ambulance 1126.16; Library 275.36; Development 211.19; Water 1103.31; Sewer 1105.70; Aflac, insurance 258.62; Wellmark BCBS, group insurance 5042.56; Fidelity Life, vision insurance 46.44; SDRS, retirement 1555.97; SDSRP, supplemental retirement 140.00; EFTPS, payroll taxes 3405.52. **Utilities:** NorthWestern Energy, electricity & gas 3684.37; Golden West, phone 398.29; Verizon Wireless 35.28. SD State Treasurer, sales tax December 268.65; SD State Treasurer, 2016 excise tax 13.81; USDA, Phase 2 sewer loan pmt 3077.00; Amazing Space, fire hall mtg room floor 4525.00; Barnes & Noble, library books 116.08; Bender’s Sewer Cleaning, inspect sewer line 428.00; B-Y Water, water 4297.70; DSG, water supplies 312.02; Dept. of Revenue, samples 15.00; Emergency Medical Products, amb supplies 215.82; Jensen Ins., 1995 IHC truck 313.00; Klaudt Service, fuel-supplies 724.16; Matheson Tri-Gas, amb supplies 18.60; Maxwell Signs, golf cart stickers 60.00; Menno Lumber, supplies 132.14; Myer’s Sanitation, 284 residential 3550.00; Overdrive, library digital media 300.00; District III, annual dues 1258.00; Principal Life, group ins. 839.69; Riteway Business Forms, checks 127.11; Terah Schoenfish, amb laundry 10.00; SEAFOG, annual dues 40.00; SCPI, publishing 211.65; South Dakota One Call, locates 3.36; Walter Welding, repair 72.50.

**Police Report:** Cokens moved to approve the police report. Simonsen seconded the motion. All votes aye. Alarm call at Schnitz, arrest for Pennsylvania warrant, 2 warnings for illegal turn, 1 warning for unsafe backing, 2 motorist assists and 2 warnings for speeding.

**SCHEDULED BUSINESS: Bid Opening:** Bids were opened for the cemetery mowing. Tim & Sherry Freier \$625.00 per mowing; Mark Tschetter \$700.00 per mowing. Cokens moved to award the low bid for the cemetery mowing to Tim & Sherry Freier in the amount of \$625.00 per mowing using their own equipment on an as needed basis as instructed by the City workers pending proof of insurance. Fischer seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

**Hearing:** Simonsen moved to approve the temporary alcoholic beverage permits for American Legion Post 152 in 2017 for the following dates or dates for which the requested dates had to be rescheduled: February 25, May 13, July 4, October 7 and November 11. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**Drainage:** Patty Hurst requested that the City look at the height of the culvert at the intersection of South Street & High Street. The City employees will check into the culvert height and correct if needed. Hurst also stated that the water flows back to the yards along High Street. Mayor Mehlhaf suggested that this would be looked at and could be corrected with grading.

Mayor Mehlhaf presented a map and information on a proposed ditch along the East and South side of town. The system will stop water from coming into town and will instead run the water around the east side of town and continue along the south side of town to the existing culvert under 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The County has agreed to add another culvert when they work on the road South of Menno during the summer of 2017. The culvert will then be removed between Salem Reformed Church and the parsonage and a bridge will be installed along that walkway. The development corporation has agreed to pay for part of the dirt work for the project. Fischer moved to proceed with the South drainage ditch project. Diede seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

**Street Projects:** Mayor Mehlhaf informed the Council that the County is going to grind from the city limits to 5 miles South of town, so the City would have the opportunity to do some work on the 2 blocks by the school. This is something that needs to be considered at another meeting later this spring.

**NEW BUSINESS: Sweeping Contract:** Simonsen moved to approve a contract between the City and the SD DOT for sweeping curb and gutter on US Hwy 18 at MRM 394.5 to 395.0 in Menno and US Hwy 18 at MRM 389.5 to 390.0 in Olivet. The total amount of the contract is 25 hours for a total amount of \$2000.00. Cokens seconded the motion. Roll call: all votes aye.

Fischer moved to adjourn at 7:59 p.m. Diede seconded the motion. All votes aye.

**ATTEST:**

**CITY OF MENNO, SOUTH DAKOTA**

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Janelle Bender, Finance Assistant

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Darrell J Mehlhaf, Mayor

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