

# City of Mertzon

City Council Meeting Minutes  
July 19, 2021

## Regular Called City Council Meeting

### Those Present:

**Mayor:** Bill Taylor

### Mayor Pro-Tem:

Melissa Matthews

### Council Members:

Jayton Lindley  
Aubrey Stewart  
Danny Crutchfield  
Charlene Holland

### Employees:

Michele Wardlaw, City Administrator  
Steve Thompson, Supervisor

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Bill Taylor, 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** George Noelke addressed the council with concerns about the proposed budget for 2021-2022.

**2021-2022 WATER/SEWER AND GENERAL FUND BUDGETS:** City Council, Mayor Taylor and Administrator Wardlaw reviewed the proposed budget. Administrator advised council the only changes made to both Water/Sewer and General budgets was \$1000.00 was moved into the Fuel Cost account from the Contingency line per discussion from last meeting. Discussion was then had on Water/ Sewer Department employees receiving a cost of living raise at 3%, City Administrative Assistant, Natalio Padilla did not receive said cost of living raise due to a larger pay increase in 2020. Administrators pay rate raised to a salary of \$45,000.00 annually. Councilman Lindley made a motion to accept raises. Councilman Crutchfield seconded. Motion was passed by a vote of 3-2. 3 Yeas from Councilmen Lindley, Crutchfield and Stewart. 2 Nays from Councilmen Matthews and Holland.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Council adjourned into executive session at 6:49 p.m. to deliberate regarding Subject to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code; deliberation regarding personnel matters.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION.** Council reconvened from executive session at 7:09p.m

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

**PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:** Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve June 21, 2021, minutes with 1 correction. June 28, 2021, and July 5, 2021, minutes as written. Councilman Crutchfield seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

**ITEMS FROM COUNCIL:** Weeds in front of City Hall need to be sprayed. Check on water usage from RayDon.

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

1. Fixed leak at 110 N. Third Street
2. Unplug sewer at swimming pool, ran jetter and camera to main
3. Worked on sewer line @ 909 N. Fifth, had to replace 4' of line and cut out trees
4. Mowed at Island, Baseball Park, Park, Water plant, Duncan, Spring Creek, Sprinkler field
5. Lead, Copper and Water Samples to the lab
6. Ran maintainer on creek road
7. Worked on water system/SCADA damaged during thunderstorm
8. Hauled trash from creek
9. Worked on WWTP
10. Built portable sprinkler

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilman Crutchfield made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Lindley seconded. All in favor; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Signed:  
Mayor



Signed:  
City Administrator

