



CITY OF MERRILL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
AGENDA • WEDNESDAY JULY 21, 2021

Regular Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

5:00 PM

To attend remotely, call 609-795-0060 and PIN 838 183 453 #.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Agenda Items:
 - 1. Continue consideration of recently received applications for American Rescue Fund (City of Merrill) grant program.
 - 2. Update on trucks and future of garbage/recycling program
- IV. Public Comment Period
- V. Adjournment

**City of Merrill - 2021 Events Grants
From American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)**

Organization	Scheduled	Request Amount	Awarded Amount	Difference	Additional Info
Lincoln County Fair Association	8/11-15/2021	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$0	5/11/2021 Council
Wisconsin River Pro Rodeo	6/11-13/2021	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$0	5/11/2021 Council
		\$22,500.00	\$22,500.00	\$0.00	

Merrill Common Council action 6/8/2021 - ARPA Events budget of \$70,000:

		Request Amount	Awarded Amount	Difference	Additional Info
Merrill Fastpitch Tournament	7/24-26, 2021	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$0	6/08/2021 Council
The Haunted Sawmill	Oct. 2021	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	(\$15,000)	Denied COW 8 to 1
Merrill Community Theater (Portable Stage)	8/7-8, 2021	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$0	7/13/2021 Council
St. John Luthern Church (Men's Club)	LC Fair	\$11,000.00	\$0.00	(\$11,000)	Denied COW 9 to 0
			Recommended Amount		
Merrill Bluejay Baseball Tournament	6/11-13/2021	\$13,151.00	\$13,151.00	\$0	COW 7/13th 6 to 3
Eagles Aerie #584 (Music with VFW)	LC Fair	\$800.00	\$0.00	(\$800)	New Event
Eagles Aerie #584 (Food Stand)	LC Fair	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	(\$7,000)	Denied COW 7/13th
Eagles Aerie #584 (Prime Rib Challenge)	Oct. 2021	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0	COW 7/13th 5 to 4
Eagles Aerie #584 (Pancake Breakfasts)	6 per year	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$0	COW 7/13th 5 to 4
Sawmill Brewing - Race to Taps	9/11/2021	\$8,500.00			
Merrill Lion's Club (Food Stand)	Multiple Events	\$15,000.00			
VFW Post 1638 (Food Stand)	LC Fair	\$9,823.00			
VFW Post 1638 (Music with Eagles)	LC Fair	\$800.00	\$0.00	(\$800)	New Event
Merrill Wrestling Club	5 Tournaments	\$17,762.00			
Merrill Football Booster Club (Football Uniforms)	5 Games	\$15,450.00			Not eligible*
		\$147,286.00	\$46,151.00		
Available per the \$70,000 budget			\$23,849.00		

*Not eligible expense under ARPA - Finance Director Kathy Unertl note

Attachment: Merrill ARPA Events & Tourism Grants-2021-07-15 (7118 : Consideration of ARF grant program applications)

**City of Merrill - Tourism Commission
2021 Grants (from Room Tax)**

From November 5, 2020 Tourism Commission Meeting

Organization	Scheduled	Requested Amount	Awarded Amount	Difference
Merrill Winterfest Sled Dog Race	1/23-24/2021	\$400	\$400	\$0
Merrill Area Lion's Labor Day Car Show	9/6/2021	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Lincoln County Fair	8/11-15/2021	\$4,000	\$2,000	(\$2,000)
Gleason Heritage Days	June 2021	\$400	\$400	\$0
Wisconsin River Pro Rodeo	6/11-13/2021	\$6,500	\$4,000	(\$2,500)
Central WI Concertina Festival	4/23-24/2021	\$300	\$300	\$0
Merrill Ice Drags	Cancelled 2021 Events			\$0
Lincoln County Barleyfest	10/3/2021	\$2,500	\$1,500	(\$1,000)
Pork in the Park	9/18/2021	\$2,000	\$1,500	(\$500)
Lobsterfest	7/24/2021	\$2,250	\$1,500	(\$750)
Black Squirrel Scurry	7/24/2021	\$1,000	\$500	(\$500)
HAVEN 2nd Annual Golf Tournament	6/19/2021	\$500	\$250	(\$250)
Art Attack (New - replace Crazy Daze)	8/7/2021	\$2,000	\$1,000	(\$1,000)
Merrill Area Lion's Bowling Tournament	Feb-April 2021	\$5,853	\$2,000	(\$3,853)
Oktoberfest (Church Fundraiser)	9/25/2021	\$4,000	\$1,000	(\$3,000)
Totals		\$32,703	\$17,350	(\$15,353)

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