

**CITY OF RANIER  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
RANIER COMMUNITY BUILDING  
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2017 @ 6:30 PM**

Mayor Dennis Wagner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

**Council Present:** Mayor Dennis Wagner, Councilmembers Todd Coulombe, JoAnn Kellner, Bob Dunbar, Ron Wilcox

**Absent:** None

**Others present:** City Administrator Sherril Gautreaux, Deputy Clerk Tara Mai, Bud Lessard, John Bruggeman, Mark Lessard

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

- To approve tonight's meeting agenda.

**A motion to approve tonight's agenda with the above addition was made by Councilmember Dunbar; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously.**

**BUDGET/ADMINISTRATION**

- To approve the minutes of the previous Council Meeting (10/17/2017).

**A motion was made by Councilmember Coulombe; seconded by Councilmember Kellner and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the previous Regular Council Meeting of 10/17/2017.**

- To approve payment of the Claims for the month of October, 2017.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously to approve the October, 2017 claims in the amounts of:**

**\$7,361.72     for General Fund  
\$21095.56     for Liquor Fund  
\$22,024.99     for Water/Sewer Fund**

- To approve date for Special Meeting to Review 2018 Draft Budget on 11/28/2017.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Coulombe; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously to set a Special Meeting to review 2018 Proposed Budget on 11/28/2017 @ 6:30.**

- To recommend approving the extension of the Clifton Larson Allen agreement for annual auditing services.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously to approve the extension of the three year Clifton Larson Allen agreement for annual auditing services.**

### **LIQUOR STORE**

- To approve the October, 2017 Liquor Store operating statement.

The Council reviewed the Operating Statement for the month of October, 2017 with a net loss of \$626.35 or -2.33% compared to October 2016 with a net profit of \$2,398.50 or 7.84%. The year to date net profit is \$29,363.26 compared to 2016 of \$26,165.22.

The Muni Christmas party is scheduled for 12/15/17.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Kellner and carried unanimously to approve the October 2017 Liquor Store Operating Statement.**

### **BUILDING, STREETS AND GROUNDS**

- To approve Resolution 2017-07 Calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposal to Adopt a Street Reconstruction Plan and the Intent to Issue General Obligation Street Reconstruction Bonds.

Resolution 2017-07 calls for a public hearing on December 19 on the proposal to adopt a street reconstruction plan and the intent to issue General Obligation street reconstruction bonds through USDA Rural Development. The public hearing would describe the proposed projects and the financing method for the projects. During the hearing, the council would adopt the "street reconstruction plan".

**A motion was made by Councilmember Coulombe; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously to approve Resolution 2017-07.**

- To approve Resolution 2017-08 in regards to MNDOT Agreement No. 1029526.

Resolution 2017-08 authorizes an agreement between MNDOT and the city of Ranier for relocation of a water main valve near 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in conjunction with the TH 11 overpass reconstruction project and acceleration lane removal.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Dunbar; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously to approve Resolution 2017-08.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

North Koochiching Sanitary Sewer District infiltration and inflow meeting will be held on December 7 here at the Ranier Community Building. John Bruggeman, Ranier’s NKSSD representative was on hand to discuss the meeting.

Tom Dougherty is creating interest in a proposed Safe Harbor/Transient Pier at Spruce Street Landing for tie-up facilities for transient recreational vessels twenty six feet or more in length. Dougherty identified a grant program through US Fish and Wildlife Service that funds 75% of the costs. Funding for the remaining 25% would have to be identified. The first step is to create a steering committee to decide what this pier should look like and determine the specific needs. Several folks have come forward to serve on the committee to explore the options of the proposal. Dougherty will ask the engineering firm could come up in January to discuss a preliminary design. The second step would be to come up with the initial fees to hire an engineering firm to do the preliminary design.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Coulombe; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously to authorize a steering committee to be formed to explore the proposal.**

**OPEN FORUM**

John Bruggeman discussed the outdoor lighting at the Ranier Depot which causes light pollution. He would like the city to ask CN to come up with a comprehensive plan on light pollution at the depot. Mayor Wagner asked that we invite CN governmental affairs representative to come visit with us.

**A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:15 pm.**

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**Mayor Dennis Wagner**

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**Date**

**ATTEST:**

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**City Administrator Sherril Gautreaux**

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**Date**