

**CITY OF RANIER CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
RANIER COMMUNITY BUILDING
TUESDAY DECEMBER 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, Bob Dunbar, Ron Wilcox

Absent: Councilmember JoAnn Kellner

Others present: City Administrator Sherril Gautreaux, Bud Lessard, Doug Grindall, Public Works Supervisor Nick Sears, Gary and Deb Abrams, Nick Taylor, Jeff Klow

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- To approve Resolution #2017-10 Adopting 2018 Tax Levy.

Resolution #2017-10 adopts the 2018 tax levy in the amount of \$222,000.

A motion to approve Resolution #2017-10 was made by Councilmember Coulombe; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously.

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- To approve Resolution #2017-09 adopting a street reconstruction plan and the issuance of 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 describes the proposed projects and the financing method for the projects.

A motion to approve Resolution #2017-09 was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously.

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- To approve tonight's meeting agenda.

A motion to approve tonight's agenda was made by Councilmember Coulombe; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously.

BUDGET/ADMINISTRATION

- To approve the minutes of the previous Council Meeting (11/21/2017).

A motion was made by Councilmember Coulombe; seconded by Councilmember Dunbar and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the previous Regular Council Meeting of 11/21/2017.

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

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

**\$12,676.21 for General Fund
\$13,261.76 for Liquor Fund
\$14,994.21 for Water/Sewer Fund**

- To approve Resolution #2017-11 adopting 2018 General Fund Budget.

A budget with \$376,951.22 in revenues and expenses was adopted.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried to approve the 2018 General Fund Budget.

- To approve 2018 Liquor License renewals for Loony's Brew and Rainy Lake Grill.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dunbar; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously to approve the liquor license renewals for Loony's Brew and Rainy Lake Grill.

- To approve 2018 Tobacco License renewals for Loony's Brew and Loon's Nest.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously to approve the tobacco license renewals for Loony's Brew and Loon's Nest.

LIQUOR STORE

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

The liquor store operating statement for the month of November, 2017 shows a net loss of \$737.80 or -3.11% compared to November 2016 with a net loss of \$261.75 or -0.92%. The year to date net profit is \$29,363.26 compared to 2016 of \$26,165.22.

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

BUILDING, STREETS AND GROUNDS

- To approve further exploration of Safe Harbor/Transient Dock Proposal

The steering committee on the Safe Harbor/Transient Dock proposal met on 12/6/2017 to begin discussions on the proposed project. Following the steering committee meeting, preliminary review of the grant process was begun and some initial contacts have been made with USFWS. Under this grant program, a state agency has to be the grant applicant. We will need to make contact with the appropriate state agency, MNDNR. At this time, more work needs to be done in discussions with MNDNR and the federal agency prior to performing a preliminary engineering study. The committee will invite AMI Engineering to visit the council in the new year.

A recommendation was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously to proceed with further exploration of the Safe Harbor/Transient Dock proposal.

OPEN FORUM

Resident Gary Abrams inquired whether First Street would be paved. Mayor Wagner stated that improvements are the goals of the city and the council will have to prioritize each project.

Councilmember Dunbar stated that he wanted a light at the corner of CSAH 23 and TH 11. We can work with MNDOT and the county on the request.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:20 pm.

Mayor Dennis Wagner

Date

ATTEST:

City Administrator Sherril Gautreaux

Date