

**AGENDA  
CITY OF RANIER  
CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
RANIER COMMUNITY BUILDING  
THURSDAY JANUARY 16, 2025 @ 6:30 pm**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- To approve agenda for tonight's meeting.

**SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMEMBERS**

- To swear in Mayor Dennis Wagner, Councilmembers Todd Coulombe and Jennifer Lahmayer

**BUDGET/ADMINISTRATION**

- To recommend approving 12/17/24 regular council meeting minutes. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend approving December 2024 claims lists. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend accepting account balances and financial statements as of 12/31/2024. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend designation of City Attorney – Fryberger Law Firm. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend designation of official city newspaper – Rainy Lake Gazette. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend designation of depositories – Bremer Bank, Border State Bank, TruStar Federal Credit Union. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend selecting Todd Coulombe as Mayor Pro-Tem. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend 2025 appointments to various committees. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend approval of Resolution #2025-02 To Approve Electronic Fund Transfers. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend not waiving the statutory tort limits on LMCIT Liability Coverage Waiver. *(Recommendation)*
- To recommend accepting Ranier Recreation Club donation of \$4,000.

**LIQUOR STORE**

- To recommend accepting December, 2024 Liquor Store Operating Statement. *(Recommendation)*
- Liquor Store Manager's report. Jenn Seegert

**BUILDING, STREETS, GROUNDS**

- Public Works Supervisor. Nick Hagen

**WATER AND SEWER**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- To recommend approving Resolution #2025-01 To adopt the Rainy River-Rainy Lake Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan. *(Recommendation)*

**OPEN FORUM**



# CITY OF RANIER

*I, DENNIS WAGNER, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office of Mayor for the City of Ranier in the County of Koochiching, to which I have been elected, to the best of my knowledge and ability, so help me God.*

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*Dennis Wagner*

*Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025.*

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*Sherril Gautreaux  
City Administrator*



# CITY OF RANIER

*I, TODD COULOMBE, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office of Councilmember for the City of Ranier in the County of Koochiching, to which I have been elected, to the best of my knowledge and ability, so help me God.*

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*Todd Coulombe*

*Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025.*

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*Sherril Gautreaux  
City Administrator*



# CITY OF RANIER

*I, JENNIFER LAHMAYER, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office of Councilmember for the City of Ranier in the County of Koochiching, to which I have been elected, to the best of my knowledge and ability, so help me God.*

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*Jennifer Lahmayer*

*Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025.*

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*Sherril Gautreaux  
City Administrator*

**RANIER CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
RANIER COMMUNITY BUILDING  
TUESDAY DECEMBER 17, 2024 @ 6:00 pm**

Mayor Dennis Wagner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Council Present: Mayor Dennis Wagner, Councilmembers Todd Coulombe, Jennifer Lahmayer, JoAnn Kellner, Ron Wilcox

Absent: None

Others present: City Administrator Sherril Gautreaux, Public Works Supervisor Nick Hagen, Liquor Store Manager Jenn Seegert, Darcy Sullivan – KCC-TV

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**TRUTH IN TAXATION MEETING**

- To review 2025 Draft General Fund Budget.

Council reviewed 2025 Draft General Fund Budget with \$613,112 in revenues and expenses. Reviewed Capital Improvement Plan – line items – to refinish wood flooring in Community Building, to replace rink boards, to build heated workshop, to purchase new work truck. Salary increases of 3% were included. 10% increase for public works laborer. \$2500 increase for legal fees. Increase General Government Buildings to include \$11,000 for refinishing Hall floors. Decreased Hall utilities to match actual usage. Line item of \$10,000 for preparing for workshop. Reduced snowplowing line item by \$2,000. Reduced Hockey Rink salaries to match actual usage. Increased Park salaries for raise. New line item to lease new work truck. New line item for miscellaneous engineering fees. Prioritize road improvement.

- To review 2024 Tax Levy Collectible in 2025.

Tax Levy of \$290,000 at 35.18% with a \$824,301 net tax capacity. Last year levy of \$275,400 at 35.35% with a \$779,013 net tax capacity. Reduction of tax rate.

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MEETING MINUTES  
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Absent: None  
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**Ground Rules.** Robert’s Rules of Order will be followed. Questions will be taken ONLY at the end of the presentation. Audience members must be seated at the table and speak into the microphone.

- To approve tonight’s agenda.

**Councilmember Coulombe made a motion to approve tonight’s agenda; seconded by Councilmember Kellner and carried unanimously.**

**BUDGET/ADMINISTRATION**

- To approve the 11/20/2024 regular council meeting minutes.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously to approve the 11/20/2024 regular council meeting minutes**

- To approve the Claims Lists for November 2024.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Wilcox; seconded by Councilmember Lahmayer and carried unanimously to approve the November 2024 claims lists in the amounts of:**

\$9,794.52 for General Fund  
\$21,215.62 for Liquor Fund  
\$19,886.55 for Water/Sewer Fund  
\$195,985.96 for Capital Projects Fund

- To accept account balances, disbursement ledgers and financial statements for various funds as of 11/30/2024.

**Councilmember Wilcox made a motion to accept the various financial statements; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously.**

- To approve Resolution #2024-11 Adopting 2025 General Fund Budget.

**Councilmember Coulombe made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-11 Adopting 2025 General Fund Budget; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously.**

- To approve Resolution #2024-10 Adopting Tax Levy.

**Councilmember Coulombe made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-10 Adopting Tax Levy; seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously.**

- To approve transferring \$20,750 from General Fund to Road Improvement Fund, \$20,000 from Liquor Fund to General Fund and \$20,000 from General Fund to Water/Sewer Fund.

**Councilmember Coulombe made a motion to approve the transfer of \$20,750 from General Fund to Road Improvement Fund, \$20,000 from Liquor Fund to General Fund; and \$20,000 from General Fund to Water/Sewer Fund seconded by Councilmember Wilcox and carried unanimously.**

- To approve 2025 Liquor Licenses for Loony's Brew (Intoxicating Liquor, Sunday Sales, Growler Off-Sale), Cantilever Distillery (Cocktail Room, Sunday Sales and Limited Off-Sale) and 2025 Tobacco License for Loony's Brew.

**Councilmember Wilcox made a motion to approve 2025 Liquor Licenses for Loony's Brew and Cantilever Distillery and 2025 Tobacco License for Loony's Brew; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously.**

- To accept \$4,000 donation from Ranier Rec Club.

**Councilmember Wilcox made a motion to accept the \$4,000 Ranier Rec Club donation; seconded by Councilmember Kellner and carried unanimously.**

- To Move January Committee of Whole Meeting from 1/14/2025 to 1/16/2025

## **LIQUOR STORE**

- Municipal Liquor Store Operating Statement

Liquor Store Manager Jenn Seegert reported that December is off to a good start for Winter. November business was decent. Hoping for good snowmobile weather and lake ice.

The Council reviewed the Operating Statement for the month of November 2024 with a net profit of \$2,733.89 and a year-to-date net profit of \$45,164.35 compared to November 2023 with a net profit \$441.59 and a year-to-date net profit of \$69,815.70.

**Councilmember Wilcox made a motion to accept the 2024 November Liquor Operating Statement; seconded by Councilmember Coulombe and carried unanimously.**

## **BUILDINGS, STREETS AND GROUNDS**

Public Works Supervisor Nick Hagen reported that they are keeping up with snow removal. Rink boards need to be replaced. Get an anticipated completion date of the GPS mapping on the water gate valves. Discussion on CCTV televising of sewer lines next year; try to piggy back with other entities to save on mobilization.

## **WATER AND SEWER**

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **OPEN FORUM**

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

**THE MEETING ADJOURNED @ 6:45 pm.**



**CITY OF RANIER**  
**December 2024 General Fund Claims**

<b>City of Ranier-H20</b>	\$ 153.16	hall/rink
<b>All Season Equipment</b>	\$ 160.95	snowblower work
<b>City of Internatioal Falls</b>	\$ 775.00	firehouses
<b>Forestland Sales</b>	\$ 782.80	snowplow repair
<b>Friend's Garbage</b>	\$ 305.37	
<b>Frontier Communications</b>	\$ 186.19	hall
<b>Fryberger Law Firm</b>	\$ 360.00	cannabis ordinance
<b>Innovative Office Supplies</b>	\$ 74.74	
<b>Kooch Co Auditor Treasurer</b>	\$ 165,945.52	reimb from LCCMR proje
<b>Marco Copiers</b>	\$ 299.02	
<b>Midco Communications</b>	\$ 37.52	rink
<b>Minnesota Energy Resources Corp</b>	\$ 361.34	Corn Bldg & Rink
<b>Minnesota Power</b>	\$ 431.57	
<b>MN PEIP</b>	\$ 1,505.68	health insurance
<b>Menard's</b>	\$ 512.68	
<b>Northern Lumber</b>	\$ 3.68	
<b>Sherril Gautreaux</b>	\$ 40.00	cell phone reimb
<b>Edith Jenkinson</b>	\$ 20.00	auto reimbs
<b>Nick Hagen</b>	\$ 40.00	cell phone reimb
<b>Rainy Lake Gazette</b>		
<b>Rainy Lake One Stop</b>	\$ 844.88	
<b>Rainy Lake Heating and Cooling</b>	\$ 593.07	furnace blower motor
<b>The Costin Group</b>	\$ 1,250.00	consultant services
<b>USable Life Insurance</b>	\$ 11.10	life insurance
<b>US Bank</b>	\$ 125.00	tech support
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 174,819.27</b>	

**City Of Ranier**  
**December 2024 Liquor Store Claim Breakdown**

<b>MERCHANDISE &amp; FREIGHT IN</b>			
Arnies	\$	355.00	
Fraboni's Pizza	\$	395.59	
Breakthru Beverage	\$	460.68	
C&L Distributing	\$	607.90	
Coca-Cola Bottling Co	\$	5,563.50	
Dahlheimer Beverages	\$	1,436.20	
Sandstrom's Distributing	\$	1,375.88	
Johnson Brothers Liquor Co	\$	1,441.60	
Southern Glazer's of Minn.	\$	1,309.34	
Starkovich Distributing Co Inc	\$	882.45	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,828.14</b>	
<b>UTILITIES</b>			
City of Ranier H2O	\$	89.47	
Friends Garbage	\$	305.37	
MidContinent Communications	\$	484.13	
Minnesota Power	\$	550.82	
Minnesota Energy	\$	116.76	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,546.55</b>	
<b>CREDIT CARD/BANK FEES</b>			
Bremer Bank	\$	32.07	
RM Payments	\$	1,770.54	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,802.61</b>	
<b>STORE SUPPLIES</b>			
Miner's Inc.	\$	356.21	
Sandstrom's Distributing	\$	38.52	
Sound North	\$	56.99	office supplies
Range Paper	\$	1,239.75	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,691.47</b>	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>			
Amazon Prime	\$	16.10	
King of the Road	\$	500.00	New Years Eve
King of the Road	\$	500.00	T&J Party
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,016.10</b>	
<b>DUES &amp; SUBSCRIPTIONS</b>			
MN Dept of Health	\$	315.00	2025 license
KGHS/KSDM	\$	568.00	advertising
MLBA	\$	360.00	dues
BNG/Kaseya	\$	200.00	monthly fee
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,443.00</b>	
<b>REPAIRS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>			
Menard's	\$	50.77	
EcoLab	\$	212.04	
Matt Maxa	\$	505.16	reimbursement for glass washer
ServiceMaster	\$	2,098.64	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,866.61</b>	
<b>UNION DUES</b>			
Chicago 7 Midwest Regional	\$	115.32	deducted from ee's pay

**City of Ranier**  
**December 2024 Water-Sewer Fund Claims**

<b>City of Intl Falls-H2O</b>	<b>\$ 12,588.42</b>
<b>Bremer Bank Fees</b>	<b>\$ 73.58</b>
<b>Gopher State</b>	<b>\$ 4.05</b>
<b>Muni Billing</b>	<b>\$ 2,750.00</b>
<b>Minnesota Power</b>	<b>\$ 51.61</b>
<b>North Kooch Sanitary Sewer District</b>	<b>\$ 1,671.50</b>
<b>US Bank</b>	<b>\$ 112.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 17,251.16</b>

billing software

lift station

postage

**CITY OF RANIER  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND  
DECEMBER 2024**

<b>S.E.H. Engineering</b>	<b>\$ 44,855.05</b>	pier project - reimbursement #31 LCCMR
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 44,855.05</b>	

Reimbursement from LCCMR

## 2024 Account Register Balances

	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Liquor Fund</b>						
Drawer Cash	\$ 148,499.78	\$ 182,543.71	\$ 185,521.85	\$ 183,873.07	\$ 179,512.59	\$ 171,580.40
	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
<b>Liquor</b>	<b>\$ 150,999.78</b>	<b>\$ 185,043.71</b>	<b>\$ 188,021.85</b>	<b>\$ 186,373.07</b>	<b>\$ 182,012.59</b>	<b>\$ 174,080.40</b>
<b>Sub total:</b>	<b>\$ 150,999.78</b>	<b>\$ 185,043.71</b>	<b>\$ 188,021.85</b>	<b>\$ 186,373.07</b>	<b>\$ 182,012.59</b>	<b>\$ 174,080.40</b>
<b>Capital Projects Reimbursement Fund-Pier Project</b>	\$ (3.05)	\$ (3.05)	\$ (3.05)	\$ (3.05)	\$ (33,226.59)	\$ (78,081.64)
<b>General Road Improvement Fund</b>	\$ 68,272.90	\$ 68,272.90	\$ 68,272.90	\$ 68,272.90	\$ 69,944.95	\$ 153,524.52
<b>Street Recon. Fund from 2018ABond</b>	\$ 8,074.94	\$ 8,074.94	\$ 8,074.94	\$ 8,074.94	\$ 8,074.94	\$ 8,074.94
<b>Sub total:</b>	<b>\$ 76,344.79</b>	<b>\$ 76,344.79</b>	<b>\$ 76,344.79</b>	<b>\$ 76,344.79</b>	<b>\$ 44,793.30</b>	<b>\$ 8,074.94</b>
<b>General Fund</b>						
dedicated funds	\$ 393,453.15	\$ 402,133.32	\$ 388,780.43	\$ 362,892.81	\$ 314,071.44	\$ 379,146.72
dedicated funds	\$ (7,558.06)	\$ (7,558.06)	\$ (7,558.06)	\$ (7,558.06)	\$ (7,558.06)	\$ (7,558.06)
dedicated funds	\$ (44,938.50)	\$ (44,938.50)	\$ (44,938.50)	\$ (44,938.50)	\$ (44,938.50)	\$ (44,938.50)
dedicated funds	\$ (9,500.00)	\$ (9,500.00)	\$ (9,500.00)	\$ (9,500.00)	\$ (9,500.00)	\$ (9,500.00)
dedicated funds	\$ (68,445.35)	\$ (68,445.35)	\$ (68,445.35)	\$ (68,445.35)	\$ (68,445.35)	\$ (68,445.35)
Petty Cash	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
<b>General</b>	<b>\$ 263,111.24</b>	<b>\$ 271,791.41</b>	<b>\$ 258,438.52</b>	<b>\$ 232,550.90</b>	<b>\$ 183,729.53</b>	<b>\$ 248,804.81</b>
<b>Sub total:</b>	<b>\$ 263,111.24</b>	<b>\$ 271,791.41</b>	<b>\$ 258,438.52</b>	<b>\$ 232,550.90</b>	<b>\$ 183,729.53</b>	<b>\$ 248,804.81</b>
<b>Water &amp; Sewer Fund - Pooled Cash</b>						
Water Main CD	\$ (11,088.09)	\$ (7,817.82)	\$ (1,486.77)	\$ 2,842.46	\$ 16,897.98	\$ 60,863.22
Sunset Cove CD	\$ 36,410.53	\$ 36,410.53	\$ 36,410.53	\$ 36,410.53	\$ 38,236.04	\$ 38,236.04
Water	\$ 86,968.55	\$ 86,968.55	\$ 86,968.55	\$ 86,968.55	\$ 88,681.12	\$ 88,681.12
<b>Sub total:</b>	<b>\$ 112,290.99</b>	<b>\$ 115,561.26</b>	<b>\$ 121,892.31</b>	<b>\$ 126,221.54</b>	<b>\$ 143,815.14</b>	<b>\$ 187,780.38</b>
<b>Sewer Restricted CD</b>						
Sewer	\$ 25,592.11	\$ 25,592.11	\$ 25,592.11	\$ 25,592.11	\$ 26,607.46	\$ 26,607.46
<b>Sub total:</b>	<b>\$ 85,179.85</b>	<b>\$ 85,179.85</b>	<b>\$ 25,592.11</b>	<b>\$ 25,592.11</b>	<b>\$ 26,607.46</b>	<b>\$ 26,607.46</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 687,926.65</b>	<b>\$ 733,921.02</b>	<b>\$ 670,289.58</b>	<b>\$ 647,082.41</b>	<b>\$ 580,958.02</b>	<b>\$ 645,347.99</b>

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>Receipts:</b>			
Current Ad Valorem Taxes	275,400.00	265,709.89	(9,690.11)
Delinquent Ad Valorem Taxes	5,000.00	14,692.02	9,692.02
<b>Total Acct 310</b>	<b>280,400.00</b>	<b>280,401.91</b>	<b>1.91</b>
Hotel-Motel Tax	25,000.00	32,841.72	7,841.72
<b>Total Acct 314</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>	<b>32,841.72</b>	<b>7,841.72</b>
Franchise Taxes	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Acct 318</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Penalties and Interest on Ad valorem Taxes	0.00	126.46	126.46
Forfeited Tax Sale Apportionments	6,500.00	7,060.62	560.62
<b>Total Acct 319</b>	<b>6,500.00</b>	<b>7,187.08</b>	<b>687.08</b>
Alcoholic Beverages	2,238.00	2,238.00	0.00
<b>Total Acct 321</b>	<b>2,238.00</b>	<b>2,238.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Building and other Permits	1,300.00	1,850.00	550.00
<b>Total Acct 322</b>	<b>1,300.00</b>	<b>1,850.00</b>	<b>550.00</b>
Local Government Aid	68,443.00	68,443.00	0.00
Shade Tree Disease Control Grants	10,000.00	6,500.00	(3,500.00)
State Public Safety Aid - REC'D IN 2023	24,855.00	0.00	(24,855.00)
Small Cities Assistance Account for Roads	24,656.00	16,717.00	(7,939.00)
<b>Total Acct 334</b>	<b>127,954.00</b>	<b>91,660.00</b>	<b>(36,294.00)</b>
Co. Small Cities Aid- GNTL	75,000.00	71,799.38	(3,200.62)
KEDP Aid	11,330.00	11,333.00	3.00
<b>Total Acct 336</b>	<b>86,330.00</b>	<b>83,132.38</b>	<b>(3,197.62)</b>
City/Town Hall Rent	10,000.00	9,600.00	(400.00)
Misc Administrative Charges	0.00	8.00	8.00
<b>Total Acct 341</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>9,608.00</b>	<b>(392.00)</b>
Interest Earning	0.00	285.91	285.91
Contributions and Donations from Private Sources	0.00	250.00	250.00
Refunds and Reimbursements	2,000.00	2,039.27	39.27
Ranier Rec Club Donations	45,000.00	54,500.00	9,500.00
<b>Total Acct 362</b>	<b>47,000.00</b>	<b>57,075.18</b>	<b>10,075.18</b>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>587,722.00</b>	<b>566,994.27</b>	<b>(20,727.73)</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources:</b>			
Transfer From Enterprise Fund	45,000.00	20,000.00	(25,000.00)
Transfer From Governmental Fund	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Acct 392</b>	<b>65,000.00</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>(25,000.00)</b>
<b>Total Other Financing Sources</b>	<b>65,000.00</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>(25,000.00)</b>

**Disbursements:**

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Council/Town Board	15,075.00	13,617.59	1,457.41
<b>Total Acct 411</b>	<b>15,075.00</b>	<b>13,617.59</b>	<b>1,457.41</b>
Elections	800.00	1,188.75	(388.75)
Clerk	75,300.00	76,857.50	(1,557.50)
City Clerk-other	12,930.00	16,623.47	(3,693.47)
Clerk-Employee Benefits	19,515.00	18,830.23	684.77
<b>Total Acct 414</b>	<b>108,545.00</b>	<b>113,499.95</b>	<b>(4,954.95)</b>
Accounting	13,000.00	13,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Acct 415</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>	<b>13,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
City/Town Attorney	2,500.00	6,057.00	(3,557.00)
<b>Total Acct 416</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>6,057.00</b>	<b>(3,557.00)</b>
Insurance	11,900.00	11,900.00	0.00
General Government Buildings and Plant	48,400.00	39,015.05	9,384.95
General Government Buildings and Plant - Wages	49,500.00	55,003.90	(5,503.90)
General Government Buildings and Plant - Employee Benefits	14,843.00	15,784.56	(941.56)
General Government Buildings - CIP	35,000.00	0.00	35,000.00
<b>Total Acct 419</b>	<b>159,643.00</b>	<b>121,703.51</b>	<b>37,939.49</b>
Fire Administration	35,770.00	35,770.00	0.00
<b>Total Acct 422</b>	<b>35,770.00</b>	<b>35,770.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Other Public Safety	24,855.00	16,130.44	8,724.56
<b>Total Acct 428</b>	<b>24,855.00</b>	<b>16,130.44</b>	<b>8,724.56</b>
Paved Streets	15,000.00	3,887.55	11,112.45
Ice and Snow Removal	30,000.00	10,677.00	19,323.00
Street Lighting	15,500.00	15,559.03	(59.03)
<b>Total Acct 431</b>	<b>60,500.00</b>	<b>30,123.58</b>	<b>30,376.42</b>
Hockey Rink	24,520.00	13,633.00	10,887.00
<b>Total Acct 451</b>	<b>24,520.00</b>	<b>13,633.00</b>	<b>10,887.00</b>
Park Areas	42,645.00	45,481.65	(2,836.65)
<b>Total Acct 452</b>	<b>42,645.00</b>	<b>45,481.65</b>	<b>(2,836.65)</b>
Shade Tree Disease Control - EAB Grant	10,000.00	18,000.00	(8,000.00)
<b>Total Acct 461</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>18,000.00</b>	<b>(8,000.00)</b>
Tourism	23,750.00	31,299.58	(7,549.58)
Economic Development and Assistance	11,334.00	8,952.92	2,381.08
<b>Total Acct 465</b>	<b>35,084.00</b>	<b>40,252.50</b>	<b>(5,168.50)</b>
2021A GO Street Reconstruction Refunding Note Fund - Principal	32,550.00	31,000.00	1,550.00
2021A GO Street Reconstruction Refunding Note - Interest	6,160.00	5,865.75	294.25
Principal - Short-Term Debt	15,851.00	15,850.67	0.33
<b>Total Acct 471</b>	<b>54,561.00</b>	<b>52,716.42</b>	<b>1,844.58</b>
Interest - Short-Term Debt	2,358.00	2,356.37	1.63
<b>Total Acct 472</b>	<b>2,358.00</b>	<b>2,356.37</b>	<b>1.63</b>
Fiscal Agent's Fees	0.00	457.61	(457.61)
<b>Total Acct 475</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>457.61</b>	<b>(457.61)</b>
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>589,056.00</b>	<b>522,799.62</b>	<b>66,256.38</b>

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>Other Financing Uses:</b>			
Tax Abatement- <i>includes 2nd 1/2 2023</i>	14,045.00	17,139.46	(3,094.46)
Transfer To Governmental Fund <i>to road fund and water fund</i>	24,656.00	55,942.00	(31,286.00)
Special Items	24,965.00	15,793.12	9,171.88
<b>Total Acct 493</b>	<u>63,666.00</u>	<u>88,874.58</u>	<u>(25,208.58)</u>
<b>Total Other Financing Uses</b>	<u>63,666.00</u>	<u>88,874.58</u>	<u>(25,208.58)</u>
<b>Beginning Cash Balance</b>		<b>383,826.65</b>	
<b>Total Receipts and Other Financing Sources</b>		<b>606,994.27</b>	
<b>Total Disbursements and Other Financing Uses</b>		<u>611,674.20</u>	
<b>Cash Balance as of 12/31/2024</b>		<b>379,146.72</b>	



**City of Ranier**  
**Water/Sewer Fund**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

**SCHEDULE 4**

**Operating Revenues**

Water Receipts	290,145.20
Repair/Replacement Escrow	64,055.53
Water Sales & Use Tax	1,992.66
Connection/Reconnection Fees	1,262.50
Water Miscellaneous	9.72
Delinquent Water	1,288.56
Sewer Receipts	32,256.86
Connection/Reconnection Fees	50.00
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>391,061.03</b>

**Operating Expenses**

Accounting	11,165.00
Water Utilities - Source of Supply	210,523.73
Water Utilities - Maintenance	5,832.68
Water Utilities - Administration and General	13,987.66
Water Utilities - Wages	40,419.16
Water Utilities - Employee Benefits	6,924.43
Sewer Utilities - Sanitary Sewer Maintenance	1,769.00
Sewer - North Kooch Sewer District	24,530.12
Sewer Utilities - Sewer Lift Stations	897.68
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>316,049.46</b>

Operating Income (Loss)	75,011.57
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Nonoperating Revenue (Expenses)

Interest Earning	6,053.44
Refunds and Reimbursements	850.34
Insurance	(3,025.00)
Fiscal Agent's Fees	(2,658.12)
Transfer To Governmental Fund	(30,630.00)
<b>Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>	<b>(29,409.34)</b>

Net Income (Loss) Before Operating Transfers	45,602.23
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Transfers To Other Funds	0.00
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<b>Net Income</b>	<b>65,602.23</b>
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**Schedule 8 - Investment Activity**

**City of Ranier**

For the period : 1/1/2024 To 12/31/2024

Investment Type	Description	Beginning Balance	Date	Fund #	Deposits	Withdrawals	Ending Balance
CD	SUNSET COVE CD-BORDER STATE BANK	86,062.24	01/01/2024		906.31		86,968.55
			03/13/2024		1,712.57		88,681.12
			09/23/2024				
<b>Total</b>					<b>2,618.88</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>88,681.12</b>
CD	SEWER CD-BORDER STATE BANK	25,592.11	01/01/2024		1,015.35		26,607.46
			09/23/2024				
<b>Total</b>					<b>1,015.35</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>26,607.46</b>
CD	WATER MAINTENANCE CD-BREMER BANK	36,410.53	01/01/2024		1,825.51		38,236.04
			11/01/2024				
<b>Total</b>					<b>1,825.51</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>38,236.04</b>
<b>Total All Investments</b>					<b>5,459.74</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>153,524.62</b>

**City of Ranier**  
**STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS**  
**For The Year Ended December 31, 2024**

Bonded Indebtedness	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Final Maturity Date	Outstanding Jan 1, 2024	Issued in 2024	Paid in 2024	Outstanding Dec 31, 2024
<b>General Obligation*</b>							
2021A GO STREET RECONSTRUCTION REFUNDING NOTE	1.65	07/15/2021	02/01/2034	\$371,000.00	\$0.00	\$31,000.00	340,000.00
Total General Obligation*				\$371,000.00	\$0.00	\$31,000.00	340,000.00
<b>Special Assessment Bonds</b>							
2012A GO IMPROVEMENT BONDS	1.40	07/01/2012	02/01/2025	\$90,000.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	45,000.00
Total Special Assessment Bonds				\$90,000.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	45,000.00
<b>General Obligation Revenue Bonds</b>							
2011 GO H20 REVENUE BOND	3.00	12/01/2011	01/01/2051	\$1,021,000.00	\$0.00	\$24,000.00	997,000.00
Total General Obligation Revenue Bonds				\$1,021,000.00	\$0.00	\$24,000.00	997,000.00
<b>Total Bonded Indebtedness</b>				<b>\$1,482,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$100,000.00</b>	<b>1,382,000.00</b>
<b>Short Term Debt</b>							
2020 CHEVY SILVERADO 2500 HD	3.30	06/15/2022	06/15/2028	\$41,886.44	\$0.00	\$7,194.53	34,691.91
BobCat T650	3.40	08/15/2018	08/15/2024	\$8,655.74	\$0.00	\$8,656.14	(0.40)
Total Short Term Debt				\$50,542.18	\$0.00	\$15,850.67	34,691.51
<b>Total City Indebtedness</b>				<b>\$1,532,542.18</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$115,850.67</b>	<b>1,416,691.51</b>

**Note:**

[\*] Special Assessment Bonds and Revenue Bonds with General Obligation backing should not be classified as General Obligation Bonds.

[a] The Jan, 1 balance should agree with the Dec. 31 balance of the prior year.

[b] Amounts paid should agree with the amounts shown as principal paid on Schedule 2 and 4.

[c] Bonds Maturing January 1, which are paid on or before December 31, should not be included in the balance outstanding at December 31



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## **2025 Committee Appointments**

- 1.) **Committee of the Whole** – All Council Members
- 2.) **North Koochiching Sanitary Sewer District** – John Bruggeman, *Alternate - Dennis Wagner*
- 3.) **Koochiching Community Development Association (KCDA)**  
– Dennis Wagner
- 4.) **Ranier Land Use Planning Commission** – JoAnn Kellner
- 5.) **Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB)** – JoAnn Kellner
- 6.) **Safe Harbor/Transient Dock** – Todd Coulombe, Jenn Lahmayer, Sherril Gautreaux
- 7.) **Koochiching Hazard Mitigation Committee** – Ron Wilcox, Sherril Gautreaux
- 8.) **Capital Planning Committee** – Jenn Lahmayer, Ron Wilcox, Sherril Gautreaux, Nick Hagen, Jenn Seegert
- 9.) **Koochiching Childcare Initiative** – JoAnn Kellner
- 10.) **Ranier Park Planning Committee** – Jenn Lahmayer, Ron Wilcox, Sherril Gautreaux

**RESOLUTION 2025-02  
CITY OF RANIER  
KOOCHICHING COUNTY, MINNESOTA  
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS**

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statute §471.381 allows a city to make payments of claims and obligations by all forms of electronic fund transfer (EFT); and

**WHEREAS**, the electronic fund transfer (EFT) is the deposit to or disbursement from a financial account by means of wire or other electronic communication;

**WHEREAS**, certain regular payments and deposits are required to be made by EFT; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Ranier City Council that the following payments of claims or deposit of funds through electronic fund transfer are authorized:

EFTPS –Electronic fund payment system for federal payroll taxes.

Minnesota Department of Revenue – Electronic fund payment system for state payroll taxes semi-monthly, for monthly liquor sales taxes and quarterly water sales taxes. EFT for deposit of Local Government Aid, LCCMR reimbursement grants, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reimbursement grant and water payments.

Public Employee Retirement Association – State electronic fund payment system for Public Employee Retirement System made semi-monthly.

Shift Payments/Restaurant Manager – daily liquor store credit card deposits and monthly credit card fees.

USDA-Rural Development – annual bond payment for 2011 GO Revenue Bond.

Kaseya/BNG Point of Sale – Point of sales system monthly maintenance fees.

Southern Glazer Distributing – Liquor purchases for retail sale

Worldpay – deposits of credit card payments for water/sewer bills

ADOPTED: January 20, 2025

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Dennis Wagner, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly passed, adopted and approved by the City Council of said City on January 20, 2025.

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City Administrator  
City of Ranier

### LIABILITY COVERAGE WAIVER FORM

**Members who obtain liability coverage through the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust (LMCIT) must complete and return this form to LMCIT before their effective date of coverage. Email completed form to your city's underwriter, to [pstech@lmc.org](mailto:pstech@lmc.org), or fax to 651.281.1298.**

Members who obtain liability coverage from LMCIT must decide whether to waive the statutory tort liability limits to the extent of the coverage purchased. *The decision to waive or not waive the statutory tort limits must be made annually by the member's governing body, in consultation with its attorney if necessary.* The decision has the following effects:

- *If the member does not waive the statutory tort limits*, an individual claimant could recover no more than \$500,000 on any claim to which the statutory tort limits apply. The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would be limited to \$1,500,000. These statutory tort limits would apply regardless of whether the member purchases the optional LMCIT excess liability coverage.
- *If the member waives the statutory tort limits and does not purchase excess liability coverage*, a single claimant could recover up to \$2,000,000 for a single occurrence (under the waive option, the tort cap liability limits are only waived to the extent of the member's liability coverage limits, and the LMCIT per occurrence limit is \$2,000,000). The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would also be limited to \$2,000,000, regardless of the number of claimants.
- *If the member waives the statutory tort limits and purchases excess liability coverage*, a single claimant could potentially recover an amount up to the limit of the coverage purchased. The total all claimants could recover for a single occurrence to which the statutory tort limits apply would also be limited to the amount of coverage purchased, regardless of the number of claimants.

Claims to which the statutory municipal tort limits do not apply are not affected by this decision.

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LMCIT Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Check one:*

The member **DOES NOT WAIVE** the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minn. Stat. § 466.04.

The member **WAIVES** the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minn. Stat. § 466.04, to the extent of the limits of the liability coverage obtained from LMCIT.

Date of member's governing body meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ranier Municipal Liquor Store - Operating Statement**  
**12/31/2024**

Sales.....	Bar	\$	40,404.23	
	Store	\$	2,890.00	
	Misc. Taxable	\$	1,772.00	
	Misc. Non-Tax	\$	1,305.80	
	Rec Club Rent	\$	1,909.73	
	Clothing	\$	425.00	
	Gift Card	\$	814.00	
	Cash +/-	\$	11.25	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>49,532.01</b>	
	Sales Tax (subtract)	\$	(4,012.00)	
	<b>Net Sales</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>45,520.01</b>	
Beginning Inventory	\$		37,707.88	
Merch & Freight In	\$		13,828.14	
Sub Total	\$		51,536.02	
Ending Inventory (subtract)	\$		(35,036.84)	reduced inventory
Cost of Goods Sold	\$		16,499.18	
Gross Profit	\$		29,020.83	63.75%
* Operating Expense (subtract)	\$		(23,918.79)	
	<b>Net Profit:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,102.04</b>	<b>11.21%</b>
Previous Months' Net Profit:	\$		45,164.35	
	<b>Year-To-Date Net Profit:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>50,266.39</b>	
<b>*Includes:</b>				
Wages	\$		10,477.23	vacation
Medicare - City Share	\$		151.92	
Social Sec.- City Share	\$		653.87	
PERA - City Share	\$		776.59	
Utilities	\$		1,546.55	
Credit Card/Bank Fees	\$		1,802.61	
Store Supplies	\$		1,691.47	
Dues & Subscriptions	\$		1,443.00	
Miscellaneous	\$		1,016.10	
Pro-rated Accounting	\$		559.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$		2,866.61	
Pre-paid Insurance	\$		933.84	
<b>Operating Expense</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>23,918.79</b>	

## Ranier Municipal Liquor Store - Operating Statement

12/31/2023

Sales.....	Bar	\$	37,471.63	
	Store	\$	2,066.93	
	Misc. Taxable	\$	1,314.50	
	Misc. Non-Tax	\$	787.50	
	Rec Club Rent	\$	1,029.37	
	Clothing	\$	102.50	
	Gift Card	\$	255.00	
	Cash +/-	\$	5.28	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>43,032.71</b>	
	Sales Tax (subtract)	\$	(3,644.00)	
	<b>Net Sales</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>39,388.71</b>	
Beginning Inventory	\$		42,895.08	
Merch & Freight In	\$		11,159.38	
Sub Total	\$		54,054.46	
Ending Inventory (subtract)	\$		(37,493.59)	reduced inventory
Cost of Goods Sold	\$		16,560.87	
Gross Profit	\$		22,827.84	57.96%
* Operating Expense (subtract)	\$		(20,992.62)	
	<b>Net Profit:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,835.22</b>	<b>4.66%</b>
Previous Months' Net Profit:	\$		69,815.70	
	<b>Year-To-Date Net Profit:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>71,650.92</b>	
*Includes:				
Wages	\$		10,200.08	vacation
Medicare - City Share	\$		147.91	
Social Sec.- City Share	\$		632.41	
PERA - City Share	\$		765.01	
Utilities	\$		914.52	
Credit Card/Bank Fees	\$		1,295.04	
Store Supplies	\$		1,106.89	
Dues & Subscriptions	\$		1,315.00	
Miscellaneous	\$		714.84	
Pro-rated Accounting	\$		559.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$		2,388.92	
Pre-paid Insurance	\$		953.00	
<b>Operating Expense</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>20,992.62</b>	



**RESOLUTION 2025-01  
CITY OF RANIER  
TO ADOPT THE RAINY RIVER-RAINY LAKE COMPREHENSIVE WATERSHED  
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Rainy River-Rainy Lake Watershed Planning Partnership has sent the Minnesota Board of Soil and Water Resources for approval according to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103B.101 Subdivision 14.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Ranier hereby adopts and will begin implementation of approved Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan contingent upon approval from Board of Water and Soil Resources. The Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan replaces the Koochiching County Comprehensive Water Management Plan for City of Ranier purposes for the area of the county identified within the plan.

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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NAME

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Date