

City of Niagara
Re-Organizational Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Deputy City Clerk Coppens at 5:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was read by those in attendance.

The Deputy City Clerk then sworn in the newly elected members of the Board, Aldermen West, Moreau and Darne and Mayor Bousley was sworn in as Mayor. The oath of office was signed and all members were seated.

Roll Call was then taken with the following members present: Mayor Bousley, Aldermen Moreau, West, Decker, Darne, and Kallenbach. Also present: Public Works Coordinator Ron Rugg, Assistant Police Chief Angie Moreau, Deputy City Clerk Tracy Coppens, Ellen Venstra and Scott Sternhagen.

A motion was made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Moreau to elect Larry Kuchinski as the City Council President. Motion carried.

Alderman Kuchinski arrived at 5:04 p.m.

A motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman Decker to approve the Committee List for 2017-2018. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Moreau to approve the designated newspapers The Iron Mountain Daily News and the Borderland Journal. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve the dates and times for the City Council Meetings through April 2018: 4th Wednesday of the month at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman West to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracy L. Coppens
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bousley at 5:06 p.m. Present: Mayor Bousley, Aldermen Moreau, West, Decker, Darne, Kallenbach and Kuchinski. Also present: Public Works Coordinator Ron Rugg, Assistant Police Chief Angie Moreau, Deputy City Clerk Tracy Coppens, Ellen Venstra and Scott Sternhagen.

A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Moreau to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

There were no public appearances.

A motion was made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Kuchinski to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on March 22, 2017. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Kuchinski to pre-approve the bills. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Decker to approve the reports as submitted. Motion carried.

Scott Sternhagen spoke regarding the City's annual audit report. Discussion included talk of a sewer rate study, a water utility rate increase and new reporting requirements for TID. He indicated the City had a fairly good year despite that the City is owed a substantial amount of delinquent personal property taxes. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Decker to approve the City's audit. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman West to approve the request from the Niagara Lions Club to extend the park hours for the Community Picnic on June 23-24, 2017. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve the request from the Niagara Lions Club for a Temporary Picnic Beer License for June 23-24, 2017. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve the request from the Niagara Lions Club for Fireworks on June 24, 2017. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to approve the CDBG Project/Rural Development Update from Ron Rugg. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Moreau to approve the request from Dale Blagec to use part of the Ice Rink Warming Shack building as a storage shed. Per Ron Rugg, they plan to finance the cost of any expenses needed to alter the warming shack for storage usage. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve the request from the Niagara Senior Center for funding for Budget Year 2018. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman West to approve the upgrading of park equipment at Memorial Park as long as it meets the rules and regulations for park equipment and that there will be no financial obligation to the City. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman West to approve hiring four people for City Crew Summer Help – with the allowance to hire 2 people before May 12th as the Public Works Coordinator requested. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman West to approve the Water Utility Update as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Kuchinski to approve the Sewer Utility Update as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman West to set the next Regular Council Meeting date on May 24, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman West to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracy L. Coppens
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer