

City of Niagara
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
May 24, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Bousley. Present: Mayor Bousley, Aldermen Moreau, West, Decker, Kallenbach and Kuchinski, City Clerk Wierschke and Police Chief Lamoreaux and Public Works Coordinator Ron Rugg. Excused: Alderman Darne. Also present: Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp. and Joe Johnston representing the Niagara Lion's Club.

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

There were no public appearances.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to approve the minutes of the 04-18-2017 Re-Organizational Council Meeting and the 4-18-2017 Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Moreau to approve the May bills as presented. Motion carried.

With the June, 2017 meeting being on June 28, permission was requested by the Treasurer's office to pay the June bills prior to the meeting. A list will be provided to all Council members at the June 28, 2017 meeting. A motion was made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Decker to approve payment of the June bills prior to the meeting on June 28, 2017. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed the monthly reports as submitted. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to approve the reports as presented. Motion carried.

Under reports of department heads, Police Chief Lamoreaux talked about advertising for a third part-time police officer. He stated that the department does have two part-time officers now, but one works full-time for the Marinette County Sheriff's Department and the other works for the Florence County Sheriff's Department, which sometimes makes their availability difficult. A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Decker to authorize Chief Lamoreaux to advertise for a third part-time police officer. Motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding the three Public Works Summer employees hired. A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Moreau to approve the hiring of Hunter Kaldor, Michael Kallenbach and Cole Moreau. Motion carried.

A request was received from the Knights of Columbus for a Temporary Picnic License for their Duck Races on July 15, 2017 which will be held at the Riverside Park. A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Moreau to grant permission for the City Clerk to issue the license. Motion carried.

Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp. was present to discuss the CDBG Project/Rural Development Project. He reviewed Change Order 6, Contract "B-16" with the Council. A motion was then made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Moreau to approve Change Order 6, Contract "B-16". Motion carried.

Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp. then discussed Pay Request #5, Contract "B-16" in the amount of \$218,122.30 (To Jake's Excavating) with the Council. Mr. Majkowski noted that the check cannot be mailed to Jake's until all lien waivers are received and reviewed by Cedar Corp. and they are satisfied. City Clerk-Treasurer

Wierschke will be notified when the check can be released. A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman West to approve Pay Request #5 in the amount of \$218,122.30 to Jake's Excavating pending approval by Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp. Motion carried.

Joe Johnston of the Niagara Lion's Club spoke with the City Council regarding the possibility of having Mud Runs in the City of Niagara on property near the Industrial Park. During the discussion, Mayor Bousley explained that Mud Runs do not fit into the City of Niagara's Comprehensive Plan and he also explained that the City's insurance would not allow an event such as that either. There was no action taken.

The council discussed the Water Utility. Public Works Coordinator Rugg noted that everything is on schedule and all valves have been exercised. It was also noted that there are still complaints being received regarding the constant smell and taste of chlorine in the water. A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to approve the Water Utility report. Motion carried.

The council then discussed the Sewer Utility. It was discussed that one of the new pumps installed in the new lift station failed. The company sent a replacement pump and sent the failed pump to the manufacturer for repair. Thad Majkowski stated that he has been in contact with the contractor hired. A motion was made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Decker to approve the Sewer Utility report. Motion carried.

Under Personnel and Administration Committee, City Clerk Wierschke updated the council on the status of the software upgrade. The upgrade is in progress, the RAM has been upgraded on the server and the new programs have been installed on the server as well. The data conversion in process.

A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Kuchinski to set the next Council Meeting date on June 28, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.