

City of Niagara
City Council Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Bousley. Present: Mayor Bousley, Aldermen Moreau, West, Decker, Darne, Kallenbach and Kuchinski, Public Works Coordinator Rugg, City Clerk Wierschke, Assistant Chief Moreau of the Niagara Police Department, Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp. and City Assessor Jerry Pillath. Excused: Police Chief Lamoreaux.

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

A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve that all notices of the Public Hearing were properly posted and published. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Darne to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried.

There were no written or oral comments.

A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

A motion was then made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Darne to adopt the 2018 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Darne and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

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The meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m. by Mayor Bousley. Present: Mayor Bousley, Aldermen Moreau, West, Decker, Darne, Kallenbach and Kuchinski, Public Works Coordinator Rugg, City Clerk Wierschke and Assistant Police Chief Moreau. Also present: Attorney Elizabeth Reeths of Klinner Kramer Shull LLP via conference call, Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp. via conference call and City Assessor Jerry Pillath.

A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Decker to approve the agenda removing item #13 and adding the addendum as presented. Motion carried.

At 5:20 p.m., a motion was then made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Darne to adjourn to Closed Session ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION ACCORDING TO WISCONSIN STATUTE 19.85 (1) (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved: Ron Sonntag Public Relations, Inc. v. City of Niagara, Marinette County Case Number 17-CV-40. Motion carried.

At 5:29 p.m., a motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION PURSUANT TO STATE STATUTE 19.85(2) TO TAKE ANY ACTION(S) OR ADOPT RESOLUTION ON ISSUES DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION. Motion carried.

A motion was the made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman West to follow the recommendation of legal counsel and pay the judgment amount of \$2,079.66 to Ron Sonntag Public Relations, Inc. A roll call vote was taken with all voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no public appearances.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to approve the minutes of the 10-25-17 Regular Council Meeting and the 10-31-17 Special Meeting. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed the monthly bills. A motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman West to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Due to the date of the December meeting, a request was made by the Treasurer's office for the Council to pre-approve the December bills. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to pre-approve the December bills as requested. Motion carried.

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

The Council then adopted and approved the 2018 Budget. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to approve 2018 Budget as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was then made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman West to set the 2018 Tax Rate at \$12.4316. Motion carried.

City Assessor Jerry Pillath reviewed the Department of Revenue 2016 Major Class Comparisons and the 2017 changes in Equalized Values with the Council. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to accept City Assessor Pillath's report. Motion carried.

The City Council then reviewed a contract extension for the City Assessor, Jerry Pillath. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to renew Mr. Pillath's contract for 2018-2020. Motion carried.

Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp. was present via conference call. He reviewed the status of the CDBG/Rural Development project with the Council. He also reviewed the State of Wisconsin 2020 USH 141 project. A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Kuchinski to accept Mr. Majkowski's report. Motion carried.

The Water Utility was then reviewed. It was noted that meters are on track and everything is doing good. A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Darne to accept the Water Utility Report. Motion carried.

The Sewer Utility was then reviewed. It was noted that everything is doing good. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Decker to accept the Sewer Utility Report. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Moreau to set the next Council Meeting date on December 20, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Moreau to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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December 20, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Bousley. Present: Mayor Bousley, Aldermen Moreau, West, Decker, Darne, Kallenbach and Kuchinski, Public Works Coordinator Rugg, City Clerk Wierschke and Police Chief Lamoreaux. Also present: Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp.

A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Decker to approve the agenda removing item #15. Motion carried.

A motion was then made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on 11-15-17 and the minutes of the 11-15-17 Budget Hearing. Motion carried.

A motion was then made by Alderman Kallenbach and seconded by Alderman Decker to approve the December bills. Motion carried.

A request was received for pre-approval of the January bills due to the meeting being later in the month. A motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman West to pre-approve the January bills. Motion carried.

The list of election inspectors for 2018-2019 was then presented for approval. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve the list as presented. Motion carried.

A request was received from the Clerk's Office to attend a class on Front Desk Safety & Security in Green Bay on January 22, 2018. A motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman Darne to approve attendance at this class. Motion carried. It was also noted, that in the event of poor weather conditions, nobody will be going.

The council then approved a once a year clothing allowance payment to be made to the Public Works and Treatment Plant employees at the beginning of each new year. In the past years, the employees had to save work clothes receipts and turn them in once the total reached \$250. Now it will not be necessary to save the receipts, the employees will be paid at the same time every year. A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Kallenbach to approve the request. Motion carried.

Thad Majkowski of Cedar Corp. gave the Council a report on the USH 141 Storm Sewer Design/Allocation. A motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Kuchinski to accept Mr. Majkowski's report. Motion carried.

Thad Majkowski then reported to the Council on the CDBG/Rural Development project – Contract B-16 closeout. He is still working with the contractor, Jake's, on closing everything