

**CUT BANK CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 2, 2018
6:30 P.M. – CITY HALL**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Raemaeker called the meeting of the Cut Bank City Council to order at 6:30 PM, Tuesday, January 2, 2018. The following Council members answered roll call: Councilpersons Tim Curtiss, Donovan Grubb, Tim Kipp and Erik Nelson. Also present were City Clerk-Treasurer Linda Burley, City Attorney Robert Smith, and City Superintendent Jim Suta. All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ABSENT: None**VISITORS:** Brenda Schilling, Glacier County Port Authority**OATHS OF OFFICE:** City Attorney Smith swore in Mayor Elect Dan Raemaeker, and Council Elect Timothy Curtiss, Timothy Kipp and Erik Nelson.**CLAIMS:** Councilperson Grubb moved to approve the claims through December 31, 2017 for \$525,931.03. Councilperson Nelson seconded the motion and the motion carried with a 4-0 vote.**ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:** None**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilperson Kipp moved to approve the City Council Minutes from December 4, 2017 and the December 14, 2017 payroll in the amount of \$81,684.55, and the December 28, 2017 payroll for \$75,596.45, as well as the November financials for \$5,566,163.47. Councilperson Curtis seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

City Superintendent reported that there was a water leak on 8th Ave SE in December that was quickly repaired. The crew has been sanding and plowing streets this month. Our backup garbage truck is being used by Sunburst, and Shelby has requested it as well. **Councilperson Curtiss moved to accept the city superintendent's report. Councilperson Grubb seconded the motion that passed unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS: None**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilperson Grubb moved to approve the Co-Bank Draw of \$382,113.18. Councilperson Curtiss seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

WORK SESSION: City Attorney Smith explained that Holly Franz is still representing the City in the continuing efforts to keep our water rights. District court ruled in our favor, but it is very likely that the Tribe will appeal the ruling. The contract with the Seville district has now expired so we are continuing to go by the old contract, but this is the time to draw up a new contract. City Attorney Smith asked the Council to consider if they wanted any changes. Suggestions were to ask for the approval of bringing water to the airport as well as changing the rate structure so when they use over 50,000 gallons a day, the rate is increased. City Superintendent Suta requested that the new contract not be a long term contract.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Mayor Raemaeker adjourned the meeting at 7:04 PM.**

Attest:**Approve:**

 Linda Burley, Clerk-Treasurer

 Dan Raemaeker, Mayor

