

CUT BANK CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 16, 2019
6:30 P.M. – CITY HALL

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Dan Raemaeker called the meeting of the Cut Bank City Council to order at 6:30 PM, Monday, December 16, 2019. The following persons answered roll call: Mayor Raemaeker, Councilpersons Tim Curtiss, Donovan Grubb, Erik Nelson and Tim Kipp. Also present were City Superintendent James Suta, City Attorney Robert Smith, Building Inspector Jim Yeagley, Police Chief Schultz and Clerk-Treasurer Burley. All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ABSENT:

VISITORS: *Doug Vermulm, Carol McMisty*

PUBLIC COMMENT: *None*

CLAIMS: *Councilperson Grubb moved to approve the claims through December 13, 2019 for \$278,610.10, which includes warrants 58023-58067. Councilperson Curtiss seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.*

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: *None*

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilperson Grubb moved to approve the December 2, 2019 minutes, payroll from December 12, 2019 for \$90,684.79 and November financials for \$6,865,214.74. Councilperson Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police Chief Schultz presented his report. The old apartment building has been boarded up and secured. The department will be keeping an eye on it so that if it is broken into, the owner can be contacted and building once again secured. Councilperson Kipp moved to accept the Police Chief's report and Councilperson Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Building Inspector Yeagley reported on four permits that are open currently in Cut Bank. They all appear to be going well. Councilperson Curtiss moved to approve the Building Inspector's report. Councilperson Grubb seconded motion and motion carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS: *None*

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilperson Grubb moved to approve the water draw of \$93,740.77, which consists of \$15,000 from TSEP and \$78,740.77 from SRF Part B. Councilperson Kipp seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

The Council reviewed the committees and appointments. A new list will be created and distributed to Councilmembers in the next month.

A letter of interest in the Council position was read by Doug Vermulm. Mr. Vermulm is a local businessman who feels he could be a valuable councilperson.

Carol McMisty addressed the Council with her concerns over her water bill. She claims that her sewer is not working so she is not using any water but still gets billed monthly. It was pointed out to her that water is indeed flowing through her meter and that she is being billed a minimum amount whether or not she uses the water. The only way to avoid getting any water bills would be to discontinue service. She requested that her service be turned off and the meter removed. She will have to move into another residence as she is not allowed to live in a residence without water and sewer service.

CORRESPONDENCE: *None*

WORK SESSION: *Councilperson Grubb was thanked for his years of service as this is his last meeting as a City Councilperson. His service has been appreciated.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS: *None*

ADJOURNMENT: *There being no further business to come before the Council, **Mayor Raemaeker adjourned the meeting at 7:19 PM.** The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 6, 2020 at 6:30 PM.*

Attest:

Approve:

Linda Burley, Clerk-Treasurer

Dan Raemaeker, Mayor