

**CUT BANK CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 2, 2019
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, Monday, December 2, 2019. The following persons answered roll call: Councilpersons Timothy Curtiss, Donovan Grubb, Tim Kipp and Erik Nelson. Also present were City Superintendent James Suta, and City Attorney Robert Smith, Police Chief Schultz and Clerk-Treasurer Burley. All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ABSENT: *None*

VISITORS: *Carolyn Berkram, Natasha Silizier and Garth Stewart*

PUBLIC COMMENT: *None*

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

CLAIMS:

Councilperson Grubb moved to approve the payment of claims through November 27, 2019 for \$37,195.13; Warrants 58005-58009, 58011-58022. Councilperson Nelson seconded. Motion carried with all in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilperson Curtiss made the motion to approve the payroll for November 27, 2019 for \$85,556.80, and the minutes from November 18, 2019. Councilperson Nelson seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

City Superintendent Suta presented his report to the Council. The water department has been busy changing out meters. There have been many losing power on the radio read meters and they need replacing. These are covered under their warranty so that is good news. There were 66 meters needing changed out at one point. They are not difficult to change out so they are done. The wastewater plant is running well. We are having trouble being in compliance with our pH but our parameters are much stricter than most other cities. Superintendent Suta has requested that our parameters be changed on our sewer permit. City crews have been sanding, plowing and removing snow as fast as they can. We do not have the equipment to handle this type of snowfall. Councilperson Kipp motioned to accept the City Superintendent's Report and Councilperson Grubb seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS: *None*

NEW BUSINESS: *None*

WORK SESSION: *Two letters of interest were received by the City for the position of Councilperson that will be vacant on January 1, 2020. Natasha Silizier and Garth Stewart both addressed the Council. Each candidate introduced him/herself and gave a little background as to why they are interested in the seat and what they could contribute. Council will decide on an appointee at their next regular meeting.*

Councilperson Curtiss asked for an update on the letter that Police Chief Schultz volunteered to write to Don Burlingame in regards to his unsafe property. Police Chief Schultz explained that he had spoken to the man who has been overseeing the property and that the property had been boarded up but the boards had been ripped off. He went on to say that he has asked him to work on it again. When asked

when he would check on the status of the property and get back to the Council, Chief Schultz replied that he will check on it this week and report back to the Council at the next regular meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: *None*

COMMITTEE REPORTS: *Councilperson Grubb reported that the Cut Bank Chamber Up will be held on December 10, 2019 at the Rose Petal. The Beef & Bid will be December 7, 2019 at the Pioneer Bar.*

City Superintendent reported that the old vac truck was put up for auction by Tri-City Interlocal. We will be hosting the annual meeting in January at the Elk's Club.

Carolyn Berkram asked the Council about what she should do if her dumpster is full. She was told that she could use any other dumpster in town that is not commercial.

ADJOURNMENT: *There being no further business to come before the Council, **Mayor Raemaeker adjourned the meeting at 7:07 PM.** The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 16, 2019 at 6:30 PM.*

Attest:

Approve:

Linda Burley, Clerk-Treasurer

Dan Raemaeker, Mayor

November 4, 2019