

MINUTES  
Special City Council Meeting  
City of Niagara  
September 18, 2018 at 5:00 P.M.  
Niagara City Hall  
1029 Roosevelt Road  
Niagara, WI 54151

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Bousley. Present: Mayor Bousley, Aldermen Darne, Kuchinski, Lantagne, Moreau and West. Also present: Clerk/Treasurer Audrey Fredrick. Excused: Alderman Decker

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman Lantagne to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

City Clerk/Treasurer Fredrick provided information to the Council regarding an opportunity to apply for a \$100,000.00 loan from the State Trust Fund for the purpose of financing an upgrade to the water meter reading system.

A preamble and resolution, was presented, as prepared by the State of Wisconsin Board of Commissioners of Public Lands. A written copy of this resolution, to be filed as Resolution 9-02-18, was presented to the Council for review. Alderman Lantagne moved to accept the preamble and resolution. Alderman West seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, with Aldermen Darne, Kuchinski, Lantagne, Moreau and West unanimously voting aye.

City Clerk/Treasurer Fredrick made the following recitation:

At the September 18, 2018 meeting of the City of Niagara common council, a resolution was passed by a majority vote of the members of the common council approving and authorizing an application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, State of Wisconsin, for a loan of one hundred thousand dollars from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin to the City of Niagara for the purpose of financing an upgrade to the water meter reading system. That at the same time and place, the common council of the City of Niagara by a majority vote of the members, adopted a resolution levying upon all taxable property in the city, a direct annual tax sufficient in amount to pay the annual installments of principal and interest, as they fall due, all in accordance with Article XI, Sec 4 of the Constitution and Sec 24.66(5), Wisconsin Statutes.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Lantagne and seconded by Alderman Moreau to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

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City of Niagara  
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes  
September 26, 2018 at 5:00 P.M.  
Niagara City Hall  
1029 Roosevelt Road  
Niagara, WI 54151

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Bousley. Present: Mayor Bousley, Aldermen Darne, Decker, Kuchinski, Lantagne, Moreau and West. Also present: Public Works Coordinator Ron Rugg, Assistant Police Chief Angie Moreau, Treatment Plant Operator David Dunlap and Clerk/Treasurer Audrey Fredrick. Public appearance by Carrie Brazeau and Scott Schwedersky.

A motion was made by Alderman West and seconded by Alderman Kuchinski to approve the agenda and addendum. Motion carried.

A public appearance was made by Carrie Brazeau, who is running as a write-in candidate for Marinette County Clerk of Courts.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuchinski and seconded by Alderman West to approve the minutes from August 22, 2018, August 27, 2018 and September 18, 2018. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Moreau and seconded by Alderman Darne to pre-approve the bills for October 2018. Motion carried.

The reports were reviewed. A motion was made by Alderman Lantagne to approve the reports as presented. Alderman Kuchinski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Alderman Darne moved to create an ad hoc committee to review the Great American Disposal contract. Alderman Decker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A report prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources regarding the disposal of tires from Gunville Trucking onto city property was reviewed. Alderman Kuchinski made a motion to pursue legal action on the issue. Alderman Decker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Alderman Decker moved to have the department heads prepare a preliminary budget. The auditor will review the information on October 12, 2018. Alderman Kuchinski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Final invoices were received from Cedar Corporation for as part of the Rural Development project. Alderman Moreau made a motion to approve the invoices. Alderman Darne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Alderman West moved to approve a total payment of \$580.00 for Wisconsin Deferred Compensation to be paid directly to the employees affected. This amount was due from August 2016. Alderman Darne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Alderman Kuchinski made a motion to adopt Transportation Aids Resolution 9-03-18. Alderman Moreau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Morin Excavating performed a sewer line repair at 302 McKinley Avenue. Extra time was needed to locate the line. Alderman Decker moved to reimburse the resident fifty percent of the line location costs for a total of \$385.00. Alderman West seconded the motion. The motion was carried, with Alderman Lantagne abstaining from the vote.

A resident at 302 Jefferson Avenue reported that the outside water was turned on without the homeowner's consent or knowledge. The water ran throughout the night. The time of usage and gallons used were confirmed with the meter reading system. Alderman Kuchinski moved to adjust the water and sewer bill for the usage. Alderman Darne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Assistant Police Chief Moreau proposed a change to existing Ordinance 8-05-3 "Amending Restrictions on Keeping of Certain Dogs and Pit Bulls". The City carries the burden of proof to provide DNA testing to determine the breed. Many states have repealed breed-specific bans. Alderman Lantagne moved to amend the current ordinance to read "restrictions on keeping vicious dogs". Alderman Decker seconded the motion. The motion was carried, with Alderman Moreau abstaining from the vote.

The Council discussed providing a cell phone stipend for employees using their personal cell phone to conduct City business. Mayor Bousley recommended investigating how other municipalities administer this. Alderman Moreau moved to reconsider this at the October meeting, and Alderman Decker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Alderman Darne moved to approve an agent change for Melissa Pontbriand and Scott Schwedersky at Uptown Lanes. Alderman Kuchinski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Alderman Darne moved to approve a carryout/retail sales permit for Redbrick Inn. Alderman Lantagne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treatment Plant Operator Dunlap reported that the wireless meter reading equipment has arrived for installation. He also stated that two pressure reducing valves need to be rebuilt. Alderman Decker moved to accept the report, and Alderman Kuchinski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treatment Plant Operator Dunlap stated that the treatment plant has been running well, with no issues. Alderman Decker moved to accept the report, and Alderman Kuchinski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### Committee Reports:

##### Finance:

Third quarter utility billings should be generated during the first week in October.

##### Public Works:

Public Works Coordinator Ron Rugg reported that he will be seeking quotes on two replacement pickups. Funding for the pickups will be generated from the Rural Development Grant.

The next meeting date will be October 24, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Decker and seconded by Alderman Lantagne to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.