

City of Menahga
Special Meeting City Council Minutes
Thursday, January 9, 2020

- **Call to Order**

The Menahga City Council held a Special Meeting Thursday, January 9, 2020. Mayor Liimatta called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

- **Roll Call**

Comprising a quorum of the council, the following members were present:

Tim Ellingson	Robyn Keranen	Art Huebner
Karol Andreasen – Via Skype		Mayor Joan Liimatta

- **Pledge of Allegiance**

1. Work Session

- Liquor Store – Renata Parks, Manager
 1. Tying out end of year 2019
 2. Ice Machine
 3. Air Duct Cleaning
 4. Dip in the roof
- Public Works – Ron Yliniemi, Director
 1. Snow Removal Enforcement
 2. Bent sign at Orton’s – not ours, it belongs to MNDot and is in their right of way
 3. Ron informed Councilmember Ellingson if he needs something he comes directly to him or Curt not go to the guys
- Administration – Curt Kreklau Jr, City Administrator
 1. Time clocks
 2. Camera
 3. Example of notes for committee meetings

2. City Policy Regarding the Complaint Process

- Mayor Liimatta – stated she had a resident call her with a complaint regarding their neighbor’s cat
- Administrator Kreklau explained the complaint policy
- Councilmember Andreasen – asked about timeframes
- Kreklau – said it is situational and is a case by case basis
- Kreklau – stated we have Complaint Forms in the office and in a fillable PDF on our website

3. Discussion & Approval of City Attorney Invoice

- Councilmember Huebner asked if this was just for December
- Administrator Kreklau – yes
- Kreklau – He asked for a new quote from Ramstad, Skoyles, & Winters PA as well as from Pemberton Law Firm
- Mayor Liimatta – stated she feels the city has been disrespected by our attorney’s lack of attention

Main Motion: To approve paying City Attorney's Invoice – to include a letter regarding the lack of his response and unhappy with his time frames

Moved by:	Keranen
Seconded by:	Ellingson
Action:	Motion carried by a 4-1 voice vote
In favor:	Ellingson, Liimatta, Huebner, Keranen
Opposed:	Andreasen

- ❖ Councilmember Ellingson – stated meeting notices must be posted on the windows so they can be seen from the outside

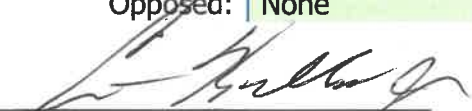
- ❖ Councilmember Huebner – stated there wasn't anything that was covered tonight that could not have been covered in a regular meeting.
- ❖ Mayor Liimatta – stated she does not care if she gets paid or not.
- ❖ Councilmember Ellingson – asked Councilmember Huebner if he wanted committees instead of work sessions
- ❖ Huebner – stated he is in favor of committee meetings because they will save the taxpayers money
- ❖ Ellingson – we still have to do all of this work

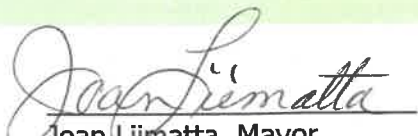
Main Motion: To approve not getting paid for tonight (Special Meeting, Thursday, January 9, 2020)

Moved by:	Huebner
Seconded by:	Keranen
Action:	Motion failed with a 2-3 voice vote
In favor:	Huebner, Keranen
Opposed:	Ellingson, Andreasen, Liimatta

Main Motion: To adjourn at 5:35 pm

Moved by:	Ellingson
Seconded by:	Liimatta
Action:	Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote
In favor:	Ellingson, Andreasen, Liimatta, Huebner, Keranen
Opposed:	None


Curtis Kreklau Jr, City Administrator


Joan Liimatta, Mayor