

**City of Menahga  
Regular Meeting City Council Minutes  
Tuesday, December 8, 2020**

**1. Call to Order**

The Menahga City Council Held a Regular Meeting Tuesday, December 8, 2020. Mayor Joan Liimatta called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

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

Tim Ellingson	Robyn Keranen - Remotely	Karol Andreasen
Art Huebner – Remotely	Joan Liimatta	

- Pledge of Allegiance

**3. Truth in Taxation Meeting**

**4. Public Forum and Correspondence**

**5. Notices and Communications**

**6. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Regular Meeting October 13, 2020

**Main Motion: To approve October 13, 2020 Minutes with correction**

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

- b. Special Meeting October 27, 2020

- Not Provided

- c. Regular Meeting November 10, 2020

**Main Motion: To approve November 10, 2020 Minutes**

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

- d. Continuance Regular Meeting November 17, 2020

- Not provided

- e. Special Meeting November 24, 2020

**Main Motion: To approve November 24, 2020 Minutes**

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

**7. Consent Agenda**

**8. Public Hearings**

**9. Acknowledgement of receipt of board/commission minutes**

- a. Greenwood Connections Board Minutes

**Main Motion: To acknowledge receipt of Greenwood Connections Minutes**

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

**10. Board/Commission/Committee Reports**

**11. Staff Reports**

- 1. Laura Ahlf, Greenwood Connections Administrator

**Main Motion: To accept Greenwood Connections Administrator's Report**

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

- 2. Renata Parks, Liquor Store Manager

**Main Motion: To accept Liquor Store, Northbound Spirits, Report**

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

- 3. Ron Yliniemi, Public Works Director

**Main Motion: To accept Public Works Report**

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

4. Chief Adam Gunderson, Police Department

**Main Motion: To accept Police Department report**

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

5. Chief Dave Kicker, Fire Department

**Main Motion: To approve Mutual Aid Agreement with Nevis Fire Department (with spelling corrections)**

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

**Main Motion: To accept Fire Department report**

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

6. Curt Kreklau Jr, City Administrator

**Main Motion: To approve redline and correct December 10, 2019 Minutes under Final 2020 Tax Levy**

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

**Main Motion: To accept Administrator report**

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

**12. New Business**

a. Deferred Assessments

**Main Motion: To approve Resolution 2020-24 Deferred Assessments**

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

CITY OF MENAHGA, MINNESOTA  
**Resolution No. 2020-024**

**A Resolution of the Menahga City Council Certifying the 2021 Deferred Assessments**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 435.193 allows the City to defer assessment for seniors, disabled, or military persons; and

WHEREAS, the following persons meet the qualifications for deferment:

- 17-330-0650 – Mary Montoya/Michael R. Ress
- 17-350-0370 – Shirley Dickhausen
- 17-410-0160 – Delores Charmoli
- 17-420-0380 – Marcella Grangruth

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT resolved by the Menahga City Council that the properties are certified to the County of Wadena as deferred for 2021.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Menahga, Minnesota, this 8th day of December, 2020.

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Joan Liimatta, Mayor

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Curtis Kreklau Jr, Administrator

b. Utility Assessments

**Main Motion: To approve 2020 Utility Assessment list**

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

- Utility Write Offs - Tabled

c. Liquor License

**Main Motion: To approve VFW Liquor License**

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

**Main Motion: To approve Orton's Liquor License**

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

d. 2020 City Council Payment

**Main Motion: To approve 2020 Council payment as presented**

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

e. 2020 Planning Commission Payment

**Main Motion: To approve 2020 Planning Commission Payment as presented**

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

f. Economic Development

**Main Motion: To table Economic Development Initiative for New Council**

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

**13. Unfinished Business**

a. Temporary office staff

**Main Motion: To continue the process of a temporary hire with the intent to present recommendation to new council at the first meeting in January**

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

**14. Consideration of Bills**

**Main Motion: To accept check detail register as presented**

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

**• Snow Removal Contract**

**Main Motion: To approve the renewal of snow removal contract with Spirit Lake Lumber**

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

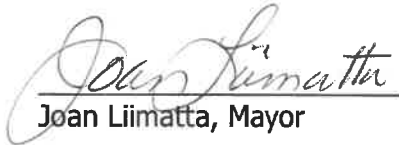
**15. Adjourn**

**Main Motion: To adjourn at 8:03 pm**

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



Curtis Kreklau Jr, City Administrator



Joan Liimatta, Mayor