

**CITY OF KETTLE RIVER
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
January 11, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Kettle River City Council was held in the meeting room of City Hall, Wednesday, January 11, 2017.

Members present: Jason Montgomery, George Klaskin, Tina Tollgaard, Kris Miller and John Wallace.

Absent: None

Staff Attending: Bob Hattenberger, Interim Fire Chief, Rob Tschida, Building Inspector and Bernadine Reed, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer.

Others attending: Tom Simi, Todd Lawrence, Jim Michalski, Harlan Schmeling, Tim Malone and Jon Lund.

Mayor Klaskin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m..

Bid Opening for sale of 1979 Chevrolet Mini-pumper.

Seven bids were opened and read aloud. (Complete list is on file in clerk's office)

Motion by Councilor Miller, seconded by Councilor Wallace and carried unanimously to accept the high bid of \$2,779.00.

Mayor Klaskin read a speech stating his concerns and goals. (Full text is available in the clerk's office).

Motion by Councilor Wallace, seconded by Councilor Miller and carried unanimously to approve consent agenda items:

- Minutes of December 14, 2016, regular council meeting;
- Claims (5060-5073 - \$3,677.67)
- Accounts payable - \$44,262.73;
- Moose Lake Historical Society Membership - \$50.00 payable from lawful gambling fund.

Tom Simi requested the status of Airfiber's request for antennas on the water tower and Mr. Simi's personal request to install equipment on the water tower. Motion by Mayor Klaskin, seconded by Councilor Montgomery to accept a \$300.00 annual payment from Mr. Simi and allow the installation of the equipment on the water tower. Motion did not carry and Mayor Klaskin withdrew the motion. Discussion followed requesting clarification of who is installing the equipment, who will provide the necessary electrical connection and insurance provisions. Mr. Simi will provide additional information at a future date.

Administration Department report submitted by Bernadine Reed, City Clerk/Treasurer:
December/January business:

- Completed the informational requests from the December meeting;
- Started year-end processing and required reports, replying to auditor's requests;
- Normal daily, weekly and monthly work
- Acknowledgement of receipt of Clerk's "Statement of Tax Collections"

Utilities Department report submitted by Dave Isaacson, Utilities Department.

- Daily work of readings at the water plant, lift station and ponds, fluoride sample collections;
- Completed monthly fluoride and wastewater reports;
- Scheduled the removal of the Christmas decorations;
- Delivery of the washer/extractor is scheduled;
- Waiting for the results of water testing by the Dept. of Health;
- Received the mandatory water sampling dates from Dept. of Health;
- Sampling for Lead/Copper, TOC or Alkalinity is not required this year.

Fire Department report submitted by Bob Hattenberger, Interim Fire Chief.

- Jim Michalski, Moose Lake Fire District, submitted an automatic aid agreement for Council review. Mr. Michalski explained the process of the agreement, the opportunity to do joint training and that the agreement may assist in a better ISO rating. Motion by Councilor Montgomery, seconded by Councilor Miller and carried unanimously to approve the automatic aid agreement, as presented, and authorize the Mayor and Fire Chief to sign the agreement.
- 2016 year-end service runs and attendance records were submitted to the Council;
- Motion by Mayor Klaskin, seconded by Councilor Montgomery and carried unanimously to officially end the "Leave of Absence" and terminate from service members Robert VanGuilder and Heidi Frei.

Building and Zoning Department report submitted by Rob Tschida.

- Nothing to report at this time.

Jon Lund attended the meeting to request that the ball field be named "Rick "The Legend" Memorial Ballfield". Mr. Lund provided the City Council with background information supporting the request. Motion by Councilor Miller, seconded by Councilor Tollgaard and carried unanimously to honor the request and re-name the ball field. Mr. Lund will provide the specific request (signage, dedication, etc.) following discussions with the ball teams in late May or early June.

Councilor Miller moved the adoption of Resolution #2017-01 – A resolution adopting 2017 appointments, Councilor Montgomery seconded and the resolution carried unanimously. (The full resolution is available in the City Clerk's office).

Mr. Schmeling attended the meeting to address the request from AirFiber to install antennas on the water tower. He requested that if the Council allows the installation that a provision be made that AirFiber works with Moose-Tec which currently has antennas and electrical on the water tower. He stated that the Department of Labor should be contacted to verify AirFiber's licenses for installation in Minnesota if the City moves forward with the request. Moose-Tec's goal is to provide internet service to the public they serve and they are willing to work with AirFiber. Mr. Simi stated that he will arrange for an AirFiber representative to attend the February City Council meeting. Mr. Schmeling asked to be placed on the February meeting agenda.

Review of the 2017 Fee Schedule was held, Mayor Klaskin had questions about the building permit fee schedule, Mr. Tschida replied to his questions. Motion by Councilor Wallace, seconded by Councilor Tollgaard and carried with majority vote to adopt the 2017 Fee Schedule as presented. (Wallace-aye; Tollgaard-aye; Miller-aye; Montgomery-aye; Klaskin-nay).

The next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m..

Motion by Councilor Miller seconded by Councilor Montgomery and carried unanimously to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadine L. Reed
City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer