

1 **Mayor Vini Samuel presiding.**

2 **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Samuel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

3 **FLAG CEREMONY:** Pledge of Allegiance

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5 **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councilman Wood, Councilman Hatley, Councilwoman Cristobal,
6 Councilman Trimble, Councilman Cope, Councilman Skaramuca

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8 Motion to excuse Councilman Bryson was made by Councilman Trimble and seconded by Councilman
9 Wood. Motion Carried/6-0 Vote

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11 **STAFF PRESENT:** CFO/City Clerk Doug Streeter, Fire Chief Corey Rux, Police Chief Brett Vance, Forester
12 Loren Hiner, Public Works Director Olden, City Attorney Chris Coker, Deputy City Clerk Debbie Wisdom.

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14 **APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Councilman Trimble presented the 12-25-18 bills in the amount of \$169,701.05 for
15 checks 53512 to 53539 and 1-8-19 bills in the amount of \$212,478.47 for checks 53540-53567. Motion
16 to approve the bills as audited was made by Councilman Trimble and seconded by Councilman Hatley.
17 Motion Carried/6-0 Vote

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19 **PAYROLL:** 12-25-19 Checks 40752-40754 - \$127,155.34 and 1-8-19 Checks 40755-40785 - \$191,875.05

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21 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Discussion held. Motion to approve the December 11, 2018 minutes as
22 corrected was made by Councilman Wood and seconded by Councilman Cope. Motion Carried/6-0 Vote

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24 **PUBLIC COMMENT –**

25 John McCann – Thank you to the Mayor and Department Heads for following thru on abatements of
26 nuisance properties; he appreciates it.

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28 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

29 No committee's met. Mayor advised that Council of Governments is in need of alternate and hopes
30 Councilman Wood wishes to continue as the alternate; Councilman Wood agreed to continue.

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32 Mayor stated will review committee assignments at the next council meeting.

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34 Mayor asked to meet with the Public Works and Finance Committees in interim as she has a project she
35 would like them to look through and assess as to whether logistically viable or not.

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37 Councilman Cope announced the Forestry Committee will meet on January 22, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the
38 City Hall small meeting room.

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40 **OLD BUSINESS**

41 **Festival of Lights Update – Chief Vance**

42 Chief announced the festival went smoothly and record crowd size. He stated the police department
43 receives lots of praise for their efforts but wished to acknowledge that neighboring law enforcement
44 agencies provide a lot of assistance during the festival and deserve recognition as well. He wants to sure
45 credit is given to all who helped.

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47 Chief Vance announced that as of 4:00 p.m. tonight they have someone in custody for the theft and
48 vandalism of the Jingle Lights Display in Fleet Park and have the stolen components back. He is very
49 proud of Lieutenant Wilson and the entire MPD for their hard work to solve this crime; other crimes
50 were solved during this process as well.

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52 **Council Retreat Scheduling –**

53 Mayor apologized for error causing cancellation of the retreat. Discussion of possible rescheduling. CFO
54 Streeter will send out a survey to Mayor and Council for available dates.

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56 **NEW BUSINESS:**

57 **Agreement with Connections – Authorize the Mayor to Sign.**

58 Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Municipal Services Agreement with Connections was made
59 by Councilman Trimble and seconded by Councilman Cope. Discussion ensued.

60 Motion Carried/6-0 Vote

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62 **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

63 **Ordinance Vacating Alley Right-of-Way – Action**

64 Motion to approve Ordinance #1619 vacating a certain right-of-way; granting the request upon
65 conditions; providing for time limits for compliance; and declaring an effective date was made by
66 Councilman Wood and seconded by Councilman Hatley. Discussion ensued. Oral roll call vote taken by
67 Deputy City Clerk Wisdom. Councilman Wood – Yes, Councilman Hatley – Yes, Councilwoman Cristobal
68 – Yes, Councilman Trimble – Yes, Councilman Cope – Yes, Councilman Skaramuca – Yes

69 Motion Carried/6-0 Vote

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71 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

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73 **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

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75 **Councilman Skaramuca** – Stay dry & safe.

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77 **Councilman Cope** – Congratulated Chief Vance on a job well done. It was eye opening & horrifying to
78 hear the display enjoyed by so many was immediately targeted by thieves but well done on bringing
79 them in.

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81 **Councilwoman Trimble** - None

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83 **Councilwoman Cristobal** – Wishes everyone a Happy New Year.

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85 **Councilman Hatley** - None

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87 **Councilman Wood** – Thank you to city crew for their work after the storm; nice to see things coming
88 back into orderly fashion.

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90 **MAYORS COMMENTS:** Just came from the Chamber's first after hours meeting at Gepetto's. It was lots
91 of fun, good mingling with businesses and encourage others to attend. They will meet every other
92 month and always have food. Kudos to Fossils for hosting another successful 1st Hike at the Lake.

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94 **ADJOURNMENT:**

95 Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Cope and seconded by Councilman Hatley.

96 Motion Carried/6-0 Vote

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98 Meeting Adjourned – 7:22 p.m.

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100 Debbie Wisdom, Deputy City Clerk

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102 Recording Available.

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