

**PINCONNING CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 21, 2023**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

*Mayor Boettcher called the Regular meeting of the Pinconning City Council to order at 5:00pm.*

**2. ROLL CALL:**

***Present: Kuehne, Johnson, Mayor Boettcher, Wiess, Chant***

***Lesniak presented at 5:15pm***

***Also Present:***

*Rebecca Lakin, City Manager*

*Jessica View, City Clerk*

*Amy Bromberg, City Treasurer*

*Craig Barnt, Pinconning Journal*

*Terry Spencer, Chief of Police*

**3. OPENING CEREMONY:**

*Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Boettcher*

**4. MAYOR'S COMMENT:**

*Mayor Boettcher announced the passing again of Council Member LaPorte and asked for continued prayer for her family as they try to move forward.*

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

*A motion was made by Chant, seconded by Kuehne to accept the agenda as presented. All yeas, motion carried.*

**6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

*A motion was made by Chant, seconded by Johnson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call taken, all yeas motion carried.*

need to have the city's amount budgeted. A motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Wiess to approve the additional monies for the firetruck to be budgeted in the 2023-2024 budget. Roll call: All yeas, motion carried.

#### **D. Special Meeting /Budget Workshop March 13**

City Manager Lakin indicated City Council not only has an obligation but a responsibility of the city's finances. A workshop has been set up for March 13 at 5:00pm as a special meeting. A motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Johnson to approve the Special Meeting for March 13, 2023, at 5:00pm. All yeas, motion carried.

#### **E. Council Member Vacancy**

Unfortunately, due to the passing of Ann LaPorte, City Council has a vacant seat. The city received 2 letters of intent for this position. The first letter is from Lorcie Ford; she was recently a council member for the past 4 years. The other candidate is Kristin Boetefuer who recently moved to the city 3 years ago. Kristin was present at the meeting to introduce herself and council did ask her questions as well. Per charter, after the vacancy is announced, an appointment must be made in 30 days. The decision and appointment will be made at the regular City Council meeting March 20, 2023.

#### **F. Approval of City Treasurer raise**

It has been over a year since Amy has had a raise. City Manager Lakin recommended an 8% raise with a stipend of \$3500.00 for not taking the city's insurance. A motion was made by Chant, seconded by Johnson to approve the raise and stipend as presented. Roll call taken: all yeas, motion carried.

#### **G. City Manager Evaluation**

Per charter, the City Manager must be evaluated on a yearly basis. City Manager Lakin's contract is up at the end of March. She enclosed evaluation sheets for council to be completed before the March meeting. Lakin also submitted a proposal for her raise with an additional 1-week vacation added.

#### **11. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Carole Maida indicated she was pleasantly surprised with the wonderful suggestions council made regarding goals for 2023. She also indicated it might be time to think about re-instating a Planning and Zoning Board for future development.

Tom Verellen commented on a foreclosure notice he received from Bay County.

Craig Barndt noted street signs and names follow the Uniform Traffic Control laws and also stated he thought the Mayor had to declare a vacant seat per our charter. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Chant to acknowledge the vacancy. All yeas, motion carried.

#### **12. ADJOURNMENT:**

## **7. TREASURERS REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

*The city treasurer included financial information to the council for their review. Amy also asked new council when they are participating on other city boards they keep in mind when it comes to financial obligations to please refrain from committing until City Council can review the costs as they pertain to the current budget. City Manager Lakin updated council on the activities of the NBA which is a mess right now with the current director leaving the finances in shambles. Mayor Boettcher stated she attended the DDA meeting and the discussion was held regarding the amount of the payment due to the city for their services. They also talked about the spring projects for beautification. City Manager Lakin indicated a Fire board meeting is not scheduled until March.*

## **8. PRESENTATIONS:**

*None*

## **9. OLD BUSINESS:**

### **A. Council goals for 2023**

*This item was tabled from last month so council could think about what projects they would like to see concentrated on in the city for 2023. All council members had great ideas which stemmed from beautification, esthetics regarding street signs, and street markings to affordable housing options. I hope to see a lot of these come to fruition in the coming months.*

## **10. NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A. Permission for Tuesdays in the Park 2023**

*The City Council per charter, must approve any appointments on the DDA/Brownfield Boards. Dacy is interested and would like to become an official member. Pinconning Arts Council asked for permission to use the bandshell between 6:00pm-9:00pm every Tuesday from June 6 until August 29, 2023. This is an annual request. A motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Chant to grant permission for Tuesdays in the Park. All yeas, motion carried.*

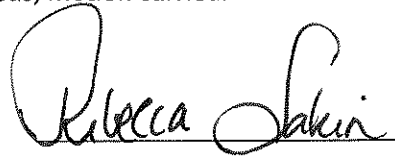
### **B. Approval of Dacy Willard to the DDA Board and Brownfield Redevelopment Board**

*City Manager Lakin had asked for a discussion regarding what the council would like to see happen for the city in 2023. She had voiced her plans and with 3 new members to council she is interested in their ideas. Mayor Boettcher asked to table this discussion to next month so council can bring ideas to the meeting. A motion by Lesniak, seconded by Johnson to approve the appointment of Dacy Willard. All yeas, motion carried.*

### **C. Approval of additional monies for new Firetruck**

*Fire Chief Ramsey handed out an invoice for \$38, 287.00 to be presented to the entities regarding additional equipment to be added to the new firetruck. This amount will be divided by 3 entities but we*

*With nothing further to address, a motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Johnson to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:00 pm. All yeas, motion carried.*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Lakin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R' and a long, sweeping tail on the 'L'.

*Rebecca Lakin, Acting City Clerk*