

**PINCONNING CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**OCTOBER 21, 2024**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

*Mayor Boettcher called the regular meeting of the Pinconning City Council to order at 5:30 pm.*

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Boettcher.*

**3. ROLL CALL:**

*Present: Boetefuer, Kuehne, Johnson, Wiess, Lesniak, Mayor Boettcher*

*A motion was made by Kuehne, seconded by Boetefuer to excuse the absence of Council Member Chant for a family emergency. All yeas, motion carried.*

***Also present:***

*Rebecca Lakin, City Manager*

*Amy Bromberg, City Treasurer*

*Jessica View, City Clerk*

*Craig Barnt, Editor of Pinconning Journal*

**4. MAYOR'S COMMENT:**

*Mayor Boettcher thanked the administrative staff, council and all community helpers for a successful Trunk or Treat / Spooky Trail event held October 5. The turnout was tremendous, and a good time was held by all.*

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

*A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Boetefuer to approve the agenda. All yeas, motion carried.*

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*A motion was made by Boetefuer, seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council meeting dated September 16, 2024, as presented. All yeas, motion carried.*

**7. APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

*A motion was made by Kuehne, seconded by Wiess to approve the monthly bills in the total of \$92,135.56 Roll call: All yeas, motion carried.*

**8. TREASURER'S REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

*City Treasurer Bromberg presented council with revenue and expenditure reports.*

*Mayor Boettcher reported on the DDA meeting and indicated she brought up once again, the issues with the DDA not taking care of the trees in the cages and painting. She did not get a response and mentioned she will be bringing the issue up again at the November meeting.*

*Council Member Wiess indicated there was no Fireboard Meeting in September.*

**9. PRESENTATIONS:**

*None.*

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*Frank Madecki addressed city council regarding his ongoing civil issues he has with his neighbors, and he also indicated his complaints regarding the City Manager and the police department.*

*Craig Barnt spoke on behalf of the Pinconning Linwood Chamber regarding the Great Pumpkin Festival and the first annual Beer Run. He stated it was a huge success and he also spoke with a lady from the Humane Society who wants to work with the Chamber next year on a possible Octoberfest event.*

*Rebecca Lakin addressed city council regarding the issues with Mr. Madecki and her encounters with him and his civil concerns.*

**11. OLD BUSINESS:**

*None.*

**12. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Amendment to Ordinance #402A-Animal Law Ordinance**

*This is an ordinance that has not been updated since the 1970's and the changes being made were changing the number of domesticated animals from 3 to 4 which coincides with the ordinance #402B stating 4 domesticated animals.*

*Discussion was held and no motion or support was made. Amendment to Ordinance #402A failed.*

**B. Amendment to Ordinance #96-A1- Emergency Response Cost Recovery for Fire Protection**

*This amendment updates the fees for the fire equipment used during fire situations. This amendment also includes the use and cost of the EV blankets. Discussion was held and a motion was made by Boetefuer, seconded by Kuehne to approve the amendment as stated. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.*

**C. Review and decision regarding the proposed Cell Phone Tower Lease**

*This has been an ongoing project for the past year regarding leasing property at the DPW for a cell tower base. The city attorney has been involved with the discussions and he also has made several recommendations regarding terminology for the lease. The final conclusion is this last presented lease was acceptable to our attorney and is ready for discussion and decision. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Boetefuer to approve the lease as presented. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.*

**D. Appointment of donation committee for Santa in the City December 4, 2024**

*Council Member Wiess volunteered to be the chairman of the donation committee with the help of council members Boetefuer and Lesniak. This committee will be in charge of getting cash donations for the event.*

**13. ADJOURNMENT:**

*With nothing further to address, a motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Johnson to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:03 pm. All yeas, motion carried.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca Lakin", written over a horizontal line.

Rebecca Lakin, City Manager

**PINCONNING CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 16, 2024**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

*Mayor Pro-Tem Chant called the regular meeting of the Pinconning City Council to order at 5:30 pm.*

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Chant.*

**3. ROLL CALL:**

***Present: Boetefuer, Kuehne, Johnson, Chant, Wiess, Lesniak***

***A motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Kuehne to excuse the absence of Mayor Boettcher due to illness. All yeas, motion carried.***

***Also present:***

*Rebecca Lakin, City Manager*

*Amy Bromberg, City Treasurer*

*Craig Barnt, Editor of Pinconning Journal*

**4. MAYOR'S COMMENT:**

*City Manager Lakin thanked the DPW, the Fire and Police Departments and Mori Tree Service for all their help with the storm damage. She also stated the Pinconning High School Homecoming Parade will be on Friday September 20 at 5:30 and the city plans on decorating the golf cart and passing out candy. She invited all of council to come if able. She also reminded them of the Trunk or Treat Spooky Trail event on October 5 from 6-9:00pm.*

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

*A motion was made by Kuehne, seconded by Johnson to approve the agenda. Council Member Wiess asked if the City Manager could explain a couple of issues as well. These items will be discussed in Presentation. All yeas, motion carried.*

## **6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*A motion was made by Boetefuer, seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council meeting dated August 19, 2024. Roll call: All yeas, motion carried.*

## **7. APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

*A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Boetefuer to approve the monthly bills in the total of \$91,829.81 Roll call: All yeas, motion carried.*

## **8. TREASURER'S REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

*City Treasurer Bromberg addressed the council regarding budget amendments for the month. A motion was made by Boetefuer, seconded by Johnson to approve the budget amendments. Roll call: All yeas, motion carried.*

*City Treasurer Bromberg reported on the DDA meeting. She indicated City Manager Lakin had emailed the board regarding the need for additional monies for summer help. The Chairman stated he did not feel that the upkeep of the projects was satisfactory, and the board denied additional monies. The board also stated they were looking at contracting the summer help out next year with a landscaping company. This option makes the DDA responsible for direction and execution of these duties and not the city staff. This could be a great option for both parties and then the city workers can concentrate on much needed city projects. Lakin also requested monies to be earmarked for 2 potential investors and the DDA board did not even discuss the idea.*

*Council Member Wiess spoke regarding the Fireboard meeting and stated Chief Ramsey was back part-time, the 2 new employees were working out well and spending their time between station 15 and 16. She indicated they were going to renew a CD, and their annual gun raffle was tonight.*

## **9. PRESENTATIONS:**

*City Manager Lakin discussed with council her suggestion for the 2% application. She indicated she wanted to apply for \$50,000.00 for vehicles for the Wastewater Plant. She stated the brakes are gone, the van has over 200,000 miles and the floorboards are missing. It really is an unsafe vehicle.*

*Council Member Wiess also inquired if the mayor was going to sign the statement from NBA to release them from the city. Lakin stated no and that she spoke with the State, and it is the responsibility of the NBA to update or change their response zones. She also stated Fraser Township is still in the NBA zone as well. Wiess inquired if the city planned to pay the \$11,000.00 the NBA claims the city owes for the remaining special assessment for 2023-2024. City Manager Lakin stated the city will pay the amount if the NBA returns the approximate \$30,000.00 that was overpaid. This overpayment was determined by the Pinconning Township Manager who clearly stated the city was not to pay the \$120.00 special assessment until April 2025.*

The sludge contract with the tribe was discussed as well. This contract was created in January of 2024 with the city agreeing to contain their sludge in the city's holding tanks. There have been some issues with the contract and the process of removal. The city is waiting for a response from the tribe regarding the next steps.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Craig Barnt spoke regarding the Open Meeting Act violations.

**11. OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

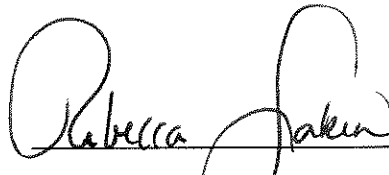
**12. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Request to rent the storage shed at the city's adjoining property (Old NEMSCA Building)**

Christopher Kuehne asked the City Council if he could rent the small storage building on the adjoining property for his lawnmowers. He would like to rent it for the months of October until May for \$25.00 a month. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Johnson to approve the request. Roll call: Chant, Lesniak, Wiess, Johnson, Boetefuer YES Kuehne ABSTAIN. Motion carried.

**13. ADJOURNMENT:**

With nothing further to address, a motion was made by Wiess seconded by Johnson to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:31 pm. All yeas, motion carried.

  
Rebecca Lakin, City Manager