

PINCONNING CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 18, 2025

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:

A motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Boetefuer to excuse Council Member Wiess due to illness. All yeas, motion carried.

Present: Boetefuer, Bleshenski, Lesniak, Chant, Mayor Boettcher

Absent: Patrick Johnson

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 reported she was happy that everyone involved in the accident with Engine 16 was safe and encouraged drivers to slow down in treacherous road conditions.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Boettcher noted some changes with the agenda. She stated the presentation from Kyle Bond from Michigan Rural Water would not be happening tonight due to an illness. She also added "Water Agreement Termination with Standish Township" as agenda item #G and item #H will become "Consider material subject to attorney-client privilege". A motion was made by

Chant, seconded by Bleshenski to approve the new agenda. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Boetefuer, seconded by Bleshenski to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting January 21, 2025, as presented. Roll call: Bleshenski, Chant, Boetefuer, Mayor Boettcher YES Lesniak NO. The Clerk asked Lesniak if she had any changes or corrections, and she stated no. Motion carried.

7. APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A motion was made by Chant, seconded by Lesniak to approve the monthly bills of \$67,503.38. Roll call: All yeas, motion carried.

8. TREASURER'S REPORT/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

City Treasurer Bromberg discussed budget adjustments this month and asked for approval. Roll call taken: Chant, Boetefuer, Bleshenski, Mayor Boettcher YES Lesniak No. Motion carried.

Mayor Boettcher commented that business as usual was conducted at the monthly DDA meeting.

Council Member Chant stated there was no Fireboard meeting this month.

9. PRESENTATIONS:

None.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chris Kuehne reminded residents of the scheduled power outage on February 26 and hoped if needed a warming house could be made available.

Corey Sydok, Standish Township Supervisor stated his appreciation for the council and the City Manager for all of their help with the water and sewer project in White's Beach and would be appreciative of the city terminating the existing water contract.

11. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Approval of Resolution #2025-02- Resolution to approve Water and Sewer Rate Schedule for 2025

This resolution is a requirement of the Water and Sewer Ordinance and should be completed on an annual basis. A motion was made by Council Member Chant, seconded by Boetefuer to approve the resolution as presented. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

B. Approval for Tuesdays in the Park summer concert series beginning June 10-August 26, 2025

This is an annual request from the Pinconning Arts Council requesting permission to use the park and bandshell for their summer concert series. A motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Chant to approve the request. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

C. Approval of Board of Review Members

The terms for BOR members are up and need renewal. Carole Maida will have a 3-year term, Barb Cadwell a 2-year term and Carole Phinney a 1-year term. A motion was made by Chant, seconded by Bleshenski to approve the appointments as presented. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

D. Approval to proceed with resolution to change city election dates to even years

The City Manager did some research to see if there was a way to get the city back on track with city elections on even years which would correspond with the state and federal elections. In doing this, it would save the city a tremendous amount of money on expenses and supplies. After speaking with the attorney, they both agreed that state election law would allow for this with a resolution. The attorney suggested to approach council first before proceeding with a resolution. A motion was made by Chant, seconded by Boetefuer to proceed with a resolution. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

E. Approval of IDRAHAJE Car Show at Doc Leitchfield Park September 13 from 12-4pm

This has been an annual request for the camp to host this car show. A motion was made by Boetefuer, seconded by Lesniak to approve this request. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

F. Budget Workshop March 3 at 5:30pm

As in previous years, administration involves the council in the budgeting process. The date for the budget workshop will be Monday, March 3 at 5:30pm. City Manager Lakin also indicated she spoke with Council Member Lesniak and since she will be gone the entire month of March,

she offered to go over the proposed budget figures before she leaves so she can have input as well. A motion was made by Chant, seconded by Boetefuer, to approve the date as recommended. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

G. Water Agreement termination with Standish Township

This agenda item was added for immediate discussion and approval for the termination of the water contract between the City of Pinconning and Standish Township. Standish Township has been accepted as a wholesale water supplier for the residents of White's Beach, which enables them to bypass the City of Pinconning to sell water. By doing this the township is able to save thousands of dollars and can pass these savings on to the residents of White's Beach. A motion was made by Chant, seconded by Lesniak to approve the termination. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

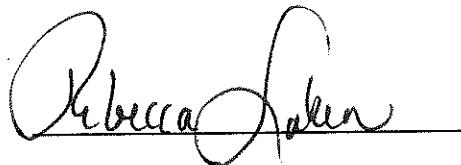
H. Consider material subject to attorney-client privilege

A motion was made at 5:45pm by Chant, seconded by Lesniak, to go into a closed session for the discussion of attorney-client privilege information. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

A motion was made by Boetefuer, seconded by Chant to go into an open session at 6:18pm. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried. A motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Chant to authorize the city attorney to arrange for the acceptance of the sue papers. Roll call taken: All yeas, motion carried.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further to address, a motion was made by Lesniak, seconded by Boetefuer to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:20 pm. All yeas, motion carried.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rebecca Lakin". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Rebecca Lakin, City Manager