

**CITY OF REED CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
November 18, 2024**

Mayor Meinert called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 227 E. Lincoln Avenue, Reed City, Michigan.

Present Mayor, Roger Meinert. Council Members: Nicole Woodside, Dan Burchett, Brad Nixon Trevor Guiles, Charles Lupo were present. Nate Bailey was absent. The City Attorney, David Porteous, was also in attendance. Department Heads attending were Kadee Kidd, Rich Rehkopf, Jeffery Stein, Chris Lockhart, Amanda Grant and Curt Brackenrich. The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag. There were citizens in the audience.

Election Mayor

Motion made by Dan Burchett, seconded by Woodside to nominate Roger Meinert for Mayor, no other nominations, total vote was 6-0 cast on ballot.

Election Pro-Tem

Motion made by Roger Meinert, seconded by Charles Lupo to nominate Dan Burchett for Mayor Pro-Tem, no other nominations, total vote was 6-0 cast on ballot.

Agenda Motion by Meinert, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to approve the agenda as amended with bills to approve, additional bills. Remove Item #1 under new business for Sludge Transfer pump for WWTP. Affirmed by voice vote.

Minutes Motion by Woodside, seconded by Nixon, **CARRIED**, to accept the minutes of October 14, 2024, regular meeting as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

Bills Motion by Woodside, seconded by Nixon, **CARRIED**, to approve paying total amount of \$2,693.306.09 as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Woodside, Burchett, Meinert, Guiles, Lupo and Nixon.

Reports Fire Chief Jeffrey Stein, Police Chief Christopher Lockhart, Rich Rehkopf, DPW, and Curt Brackenrich, WWTP, filed written reports. Kadee Kidd provided by email Financial Reports including a Revenue/Expenditure Report as of July 30, 2024. Motion by Lupo, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to approve the Department Head reports as submitted. Affirmed by voice vote.

Fire Dept. Chief Stein sought approval for New Fire Truck to be used as a display at a conference prior to receiving. Motion by Nixon, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to support the New Fire Truck to be used by Alexis at FDIC conference. Affirmed by voice vote.

Unfinished Business

Change Order No. 7 Items 1-7

Motion made by Nixon, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, to accept the Overhead Door Electrical modifications for \$31,049.00, change order item #1. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Meinert, Woodside, Lupo, Nixon, Guiles and Burchett.

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to accept the credit for SBR Tank Aeration Diffuser installation for \$111,273.00, change order item #2. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Meinert, Woodside, Lupo, Nixon, Guiles and Burchett.

Motion made by Nixon, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to accept Digester Supernatant Pump Station Location Modification for \$160,038.00, change order #3. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Meinert, Woodside, Lupo, Nixon, Guiles and Burchett.

Motion made by Guiles, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to accept the Settlement Monitoring for \$8,397.32, change item #4. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Meinert, Woodside, Lupo, Nixon, Guiles and Burchett.

Motion made by Woodside, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to accept the site lighting for \$3,028.00, change order #5. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Burchett, Woodside, Lupo, Nixon, Guiles, and Meinert.

Motion made by Guiles, seconded by Meinert, **CARRIED**, to accept the Headworks over excavation, for \$25,178.00, change order #6. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Nixon, Woodside, Lupo, Meinert, Guiles and Burchett.

Motion made by Meinert, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to accept the Water main reroute, for \$45,493.00, change order #7. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Woodside, Meinert, Lupo, Nixon, Guiles and Burchett.

Change order DWSRF FY23 #3

Motion made by Nixon, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to approve the change order #3 for the DWSRF FY23 contract 855450-3 for Gerber Construction in the amount of \$277,400.00 adding 38 more services. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Guiles, Nixon, Meinert, Burchett, Lupo, and Woodside.

Presentation

Cindy Wotila presented an overview of PA 233 and 234 of 2023, governing renewable energy siting policies, scheduled to take effect November 29, 2024. The permitting process outlined in PA 233 applies to wind, solar and energy storage projects with the following capacities:

- Solar facilities with a nameplate capacity of 50 MW or more.
- Wind facilities with a nameplate capacity of 100 MW or more.
- Energy storage facilities with a nameplate capacity of 50 MW or more with a discharge capability of 200 MWh or more

City Manager will get with Richmond Township to discuss and report back to Council.

Agenda

Motion by Meinert, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, to add an agenda item for approving the new City logo, that was submitted during the council meeting. Affirmed by voice vote.

New Business

NYE Depot Rental

Crossroads Recreation Connection proposed to continue the New Year's Eve Ball Drop at the Depot, making it a family event with activities inside as well as outside. They propose providing a volunteer by the firepit with a fire extinguisher and a volunteer inside maintaining order.

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to approve CRC to rent the Depot at no charge on December 31, 2024 and to allow the noise ordinance variance until January 25, 2025 at 1 am. Affirmed by voice vote.

Foam Unit on Engine #1

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Nixon, **CARRIED**, to approve B&B to repair foam unit for \$6,238.94. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Nixon, Meinert, Burchett, Lupo, Guiles and Woodside.

Mers 457 Plan

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to approve and adopt the MERS 457 plan participation retirement plan agreement. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Nixon, Guiles, Meinert, Burchett, Lupo, and Woodside.

Revising Resolution for Addendum for MERS HCSP

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to approve amending plan participation agreement for MERS HCSP health care savings plan. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Nixon, Meinert, Guiles, Burchett, Lupo, and Woodside.

Revising Resolution 2024-07 on (D) sick leave

No action was taken at this time.

Amendment to MEDC Grant 374130

Motion by Nixon, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to approve the amendment to Grant 374130 and allow the City Manager to sign. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Nixon, Guiles, Meinert, Burchett, Lupo, and Woodside.

Resolution 2024-18 intent of DDA

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to approve intent of DDA, resolution 2024-18 to be conducted January 13, 2025. Affirmed by voice vote.

Resolution 2024-18

CITY OF REED CITY

OSCEOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ESTABLISH A DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (DDA) IN THE CITY OF REED CITY PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT 57, PUBLIC ACTS OF 2018, AS AMENDED

The City of Reed City, Osceola County, Michigan

RESOLVES

At a regular meeting of the City Council of Reed City, Osceola County, Michigan, held in the City Hall on the 18th day of November 2024, at 7 p.m., local time.

PRESENT: Roger Meinert, Trevor Guiles, Brad Nixon, Dan Burchett, Nicole Woodside, Charles Lupo

ABSENT: Nate Bailey

The following resolution was offered by Guiles and seconded by Burchett.

WHEREAS, the City of Reed City has proposed the establishment of a DDA and designated a downtown district pursuant to Act 57 of 2018; and

WHEREAS the city will consider a proposed boundary of the Downtown District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

The City Council will hold a public hearing on **JANUARY 13, 2025, AT 6 PM** at the Reed City Hall located at 227 Lincoln, Reed City, Michigan, within the City, to provide an opportunity for residents and interested parties to provide comment on the proposed Plan amendment.

ADOPTED: Ayes: MEINERT, BURCHETT, NIXON, WOODSIDE, LUPO AND GUILLES.

Nays: NONE

New Reed City Logo

Motion by Meinert, seconded by Nixon, **CARRIED**, to approve logo with white circle and railroad tracks on the bottom of the logo, and the darkened roof on the top as presented. Council complimented the hard work that went into design of the logo and are very happy with the result. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Nixon, Guiles, Meinert, Burchett, Lupo, and Woodside.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Nixon, **CARRIED**, to approve consent agenda. Affirmed by voice vote.

City Manager's Report

City Manager, Rich Saladin provided an update on positive improvements happening in our community.

Mayor's Report

Planning Commission Board member appointment

Discussion on which, if any, board members would like to sit on the Planning Commission, both Lupo and Guiles expressed interest.

Motion made by Burchett nominating Guiles, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to have Guiles sit on Planning Commission. Affirmed by voice vote.

Planning Commission public vacancy appointments

Motion made by Meinert to appoint Timothy Locker and Linda Obermeier to the two public vacancies on the Planning Commission Board, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to appoint Timothy Locker and Linda Obermeier to the Planning Commission Board, term to expire 1/3/2028. Affirmed by voice vote.

Appointment of Council member to Election Committee

Motion made by Meinert, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, for Dan Burchett to be on the election committee. Affirmed by voice vote.

Nate Bailey is selected to review bills in December.

Mayor Meinert welcomed Nate Bailey and Charles Lupo to City Council.

Council No comments.

Audience No comments.

Adjourned Mayor Meinert adjourned the meeting at 9:30pm.

Amye Hensel, City Clerk