

**CITY OF REED CITY**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**January 12, 2026**

Mayor Roger Meinert called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. in Council Chambers, 227 E. Lincoln Avenue, Reed City, Michigan.

Present Roger Meinert, Trevor Guiles, Nicole Woodside, Charles Lupo, Nate Bailey, and Brad Nixon. Absent James Anderlohr. Also in attendance: City Attorney Dave Porteous, Fire Chief Jeff Stein, DPW Superintendent Rich Rehkopf, City Manager Rich Saladin, Wastewater Treatment Plant Senior Operator Brian Pontz, Police Chief Chris Lockhart, City Deputy Clerk Chastity Eads and City Treasurer Kadee Kidd. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were citizens in the audience.

Agenda Motion by Bailey, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to approve the agenda as amended. Affirmed by voice vote.

Minutes Motion by Woodside, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to accept the minutes of the December 8, 2025, regular meeting as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.  
Motion by Guiles, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to accept the minutes of the December 18, 2025, special meeting as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

Bills Motion by Mienert, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to approve paying bills in the total amount of \$1,458,903.37 as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Lupo, Guiles, Mienert, Bailey, Nixon and Woodside. Absent Anderlohr.

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 December 31, 2025. Motion by Nixon, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to Department Head written reports as submitted. Affirmed by voice vote.

Presentations AJ from Republic Services expressed an apology for they way the residential waste removal contract ended due to weather conditions, holiday scheduling, and equipment issues.

Rich Saladin presented information on behalf of Sarah Spruit, who requested use of the Depot at a reduced rental rate of \$10 per hour (standard rate \$25 per hour) to host a weekly, seasonal movement class open to the public for a nominal drop-in fee. Following discussion, led by Dave Porteous, regarding the appropriateness of municipal subsidization of rental rates for activities involving a profit component, the Council determined to defer action on the request pending review and clarification of applicable City guidelines for similar requests.

New Business

**Resolution 2026-01 Property Tax Poverty Guidelines for Exemption**

Motion by Lupo, seconded by Nixon, **CARRIED**, to approve Resolution 2026-01 Property Tax Poverty Guidelines for Exemption as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Nixon, Woodside, Bailey, Lupo, Meinert, Guiles. Absent Anderlohr.

**RESOLUTION # 2026-01**

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAX CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2026**

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of guidelines for poverty exemptions is within the purview of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the principal residence of persons who, in the judgement of the Board of Review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or in part from taxation under Public Act 390 1994 (MCL 211.7u); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to PA 390 of 1994, the City of Reed City, Osceola County adopts the following guidelines for the Board of Review to implement. The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year.

To be eligible, a person shall do all of the following on an annual basis:

- 1) Be an owner of and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 2) File a claim with the assessor or Board of Review using Form 5753 Application for MCL 211.7u. Form needs to be accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence or file form 4988 Poverty Exemption Affidavit if you are not required to file a Federal Income Tax Return.
- 3) Produce a valid driver's license or other form of identification if requested.
- 4) Produce, if requested, a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 5) File a claim reporting that the combined assets of all persons do not exceed the current guidelines.

- 6) Meet the current year federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.
- 7) The application for an exemption shall be filed after January 1, but one day prior to the last day of the December Board of Review. The filing of this claim constitutes an appearance before the Board of Review for the purpose of preserving the right of appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

The following are the 2025 federal poverty income guidelines which are updated annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services. **The annual allowable income includes income for all persons residing in the principal residence.**

Size of Family Unit	2025 Poverty Guidelines
1	\$15,650
2	\$21,150
3	\$26,650
4	\$32,150
5	\$37,650
6	\$43,150
7	\$48,650
8	\$54,150
For each additional person	\$5,500

Total Liquid and non-homestead assets along with non-essential personal property shall not exceed \$7,500 per individual or \$15,000 per household. For purposes of this paragraph, the Board of Review shall consider the value of the assets and shall not reduce such value by any indebtedness owed on such assets, or indebtedness otherwise owed by the applicant.

- Liquid assets to be considered include cash, unrestricted deposits and accounts, securities, bonds, promissory notes, stocks, and other similar type of assets.
- A second home, land, vehicles.
- Recreational vehicles such as campers, motor-homes, boats and ATV's.
- Buildings other than residence.
- Jewelry, antiques, artwork.
- Equipment, other personal property of value.
- Bank Accounts over \$10.00, stocks.
- Money received from the sale of property, such as stocks, bonds, a house or car (unless a person is in the specific business of selling such property).
- Withdrawals of bank deposits and borrowed money.
- Gifts, loans, lump-sum inheritances and one-time insurance payments.
- Food or housing received in lieu of wages.
- Federal non-cash benefit programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps and school lunches.

*WHEREAS*, if a person meets all eligibility requirements in statute, the Board of Review must grant a full exemption equal to 100% reduction in taxable value; and

*WHEREAS*, pursuant to PA 253 of 2020, (MCL 211.7u(8)), the City of Reed City can carry a poverty exemption that was granted in 2019 or 2020, forward to 2021, 2022, and 2023 for those persons who receive a fixed income solely from public assistance that is not subject to significant annual increases (Federal Supplemental Security Income, Social Security disability or retirement benefits) by filing Form 5739 Affirmation of Ownership and Occupancy to Remain Exempt by Reason of Poverty.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED*** that the Assessor and Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption. Any denial shall be communicated in writing to the claimant.

The foregoing resolution offered by City Council Member Lupo and supported by City Council Member Nixon.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

“Aye”: Nixon, Woodside, Bailey, Lupo, Meinert, and Guiles.

“Nay”: \_\_\_\_\_ ”Absent”: Anderlohr

ATTESTED BY: *Chastity Cade*

DATE: January 12, 2026

**Resolution 2026-02 Department Head/Admin Benefit Resolution**

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Bailey, **CARRIED**, to approve the Resolution 2026-01 Department Head/Admin Benefit Resolution as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Guiles, Nixon, Woodside, Lupo, Meinert and Bailey. Absent Anderlohr

**CITY OF REED CITY  
DEPARTMENT HEAD/ADMIN  
BENEFIT RESOLUTION  
Resolution 2026-02  
Effective January 1, 2026**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Reed City, Michigan, pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.16 of the City Charter has heretofore established the positions of the Department Heads and Administrative Officers and designated benefits and;

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to enumerate the benefits from time to time;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Reed City, Michigan that the following benefits are provided to Department Heads and Administrative Officers effective July 1, 2024.

**A. Insurance**

1. Life Insurance: Term life insurance for each Department Head in the amount of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) dollars except the Chief of Police which will be in the amount of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) dollars.
2. Medical Insurance: Offer three plans: Priority Health OLFO POS Gold, Priority Health OLFO HMO Gold, and Priority Health OLFO HMO HSA Gold.

Employee Monthly Copay: Co-pay is calculated based on each individual or family unit. Available to all full-time employees.

Employees are now allowed to have more than one medical insurance plan option and Treasury “hard cap” would be used to calculate monthly copay. Employee pays any amount over the treasury “hard cap.” If employee chooses an HSA plan and is below the Treasury “hard cap,” then city would contribute the difference up to the hard cap amount to be deposited into the employee’s HSA plan.

3. Dental Insurance: (80/50/50)
4. Optical Insurance: (24-24-24)
5. Payment in lieu of Medical Insurance coverage is the amount \$500.00 per month.
6. Health Care Savings Plan: The City agrees to adopt Health Care Savings Plans selected by majority vote of the non-union employees that allows employees to authorize a payroll deduction deposit of pre-tax earnings to that plan.
7. Sick and Accident Insurance: The City agrees to pay for all full-time employees to be on a Short-Term Disability (STD) and Long Term Disability (LTD) insurance through the Municipal Employees Retirement System of Michigan – Standard Insurance Company of Portland, Oregon, with plan based on paying 66 2/3 of base pay not to exceed \$1,000/week.

**B. Retirement**

Municipal Employees Retirement System of Michigan Defined Benefit Plan B-3 with F55/15 rider. New Employees after October 19, 2009 will receive B-2 Plan with F55/25.

**C. Vacations**

Employees shall be eligible for vacation according to the following schedule:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Days Paid Vacation</u>
Less than 5	10
At least 5 but less than 10 or step 3 or 4 on Dept Head Pay Scale	15
At least 10 or Step 5 or higher on Dept Head Pay Scale	20

A maximum accumulation equal to twice the employee’s annual benefit may be carried over from fiscal year to fiscal year.

**D. Sick Leave**

All employees shall accumulate paid sick leave on the basis of one (1) day earned for each month of service with a maximum accumulation of one hundred forty five (145) days.

Sick Leave Payout:

- A. 6 months to ten years of service employee receives 50% payout upon separation.
- B. Ten years of service or more the employee receives 100% payout upon separation.

**E. Funeral Leave**

Employees may be granted paid Funeral leave to attend the funeral of a member of the immediate family. Paid leave shall be limited to three (3) regularly scheduled workdays for the Lower Peninsula or five (5) days if outside the Lower Peninsula. The immediate family is defined as spouse, child, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, and sister-in-law, son-in-law and daughter-in-law or corresponding "step" relative.

**F. Holidays**

The following are designated as holidays:

New Year's Eve Day  
New Year's Day  
Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday  
President's Day  
Good Friday  
Memorial Day  
Juneteenth (Emancipation Day)  
Independence Day (July 4)  
Labor Day  
Thanksgiving Day  
Friday after Thanksgiving  
Christmas Eve Day  
Christmas

**G. Personal Days**

Employees shall be entitled to five (5) personal leave days per fiscal year.

**H. Longevity Pay**

Employees shall be paid an annual lump sum longevity payment, based on their hiring anniversary date, on the first pay period in November as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Longevity Pay</u>
At least 3 but less than 6	\$400.00
At least 6 but less than 11	\$600.00
At least 11 but less than 16	\$750.00
At least 16 but less than 21	\$850.00
21 or more	\$950.00

**I. Work Clothing/Uniform Allowance**

The City will provide an allowance for the Department Heads of the Public Works, Wastewater, and Police Departments for obtaining approved work clothing or uniforms in line with corresponding union contracts.

An allocation of \$416.00 will be designated for the Police Department to have their uniforms dry cleaned.

The City will provide an allotment to the Director of Public Works and the Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent for safety shoes.

The City will provide at hire 1 Pair of Approved Safety summer and winter Shoes or Boots (75 lb. test per ANSI Z41.1 – 1967) not to exceed \$275 value each of the employees choice. The employee turns them in when damaged or unusable for replacement by employer with equal or better pair.

**J. Automobile Allowance**

The Director of Public Works, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent and Chief of Police will be provided, depending on availability, either a City owned vehicle for official use or an equivalent monetary allowance for using their private vehicle on official business.

All other Department Heads and Administrative employees shall be reimbursed mileage for using their private vehicle on official business at the prevailing IRS rate.

**K. Phone Allowance**

Any full-time regular employee who is offered by the City Manager to compensate them for the use of their personal cell phone for City business, and accepts, shall be paid \$30/month.

All previous provisions inconsistent with this resolution are hereby declared not applicable.

The foregoing resolution declared approved on this date June 9, 2025.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Reed City, County of Osceola, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on January 12, 2026 the original of which is on file in my office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for said meeting.

Dated: January 12, 2026

*Chastity Eads*

Chastity Eads, City Clerk

**Resolution 2026-03 Performance Resolution for Municipalities**

Motion by Woodside, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to approve Resolution 2026-03 Performance Resolution for Municipalities as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Bailey, Lupo, Woodside, Guiles, Nixon, and Meinert. Absent Anderlohr.

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Resolution 2026-03  
**PERFORMANCE RESOLUTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES**

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*This Performance Resolution (Resolution) is required by the Michigan Department of Transportation for purposes of issuing to a Municipality an "Individual Permit for Use of State Highway Right of Way", and/or an "Annual Application and Permit for Miscellaneous Operations within State Highway Right of Way".*

RESOLVED WHEREAS, the \_\_\_\_\_ City of Reed City  
(County, City, Village, Township, etc.)

hereinafter referred to as the "MUNICIPALITY," periodically applies to the Michigan Department of Transportation, hereinafter referred to as the "DEPARTMENT," for permits, referred to as "PERMIT," to construct, operate, use and/or maintain utilities or other facilities, or to conduct other activities, on, over, and under State Highway Right of Way at various locations within and adjacent to its corporate limits;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the DEPARTMENT granting such PERMIT, the MUNICIPALITY agrees that:

1. Each party to this *Resolution* shall remain responsible for any claims arising out of their own acts and/or omissions during the performance of this *Resolution*, as provided by law. This *Resolution* is not intended to increase either party's liability for, or immunity from, tort claims, nor shall it be interpreted, as giving either party hereto a right of indemnification, either by Agreement or at law, for claims arising out of the performance of this Agreement.
2. If any of the work performed for the MUNICIPALITY is performed by a contractor, the MUNICIPALITY shall require its contractor to hold harmless, indemnify and defend in litigation, the State of Michigan, the DEPARTMENT and their agents and employee's, against any claims for damages to public or private property and for injuries to person arising out of the performance of the work, except for claims that result from the sole negligence or willful acts of the DEPARTMENT, until the contractor achieves final acceptance of the MUNICIPALITY Failure of the MUNICIPALITY to require its contractor to indemnify the DEPARTMENT, as set forth above, shall be considered a breach of its duties to the DEPARTMENT.
3. Any work performed for the MUNICIPALITY by a contractor or subcontractor will be solely as a contractor for the MUNICIPALITY and not as a contractor or agent of the DEPARTMENT. The DEPARTMENT shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities by vendors and contractors of the MUNICIPALITY, or their subcontractors or any other person not a party to the PERMIT without the DEPARTMENT'S specific prior written consent and notwithstanding the issuance of the PERMIT. Any claims by any contractor or subcontractor will be the sole responsibility of the MUNICIPALITY.
4. The MUNICIPALITY shall take no unlawful action or conduct, which arises either directly or indirectly out of its obligations, responsibilities, and duties under the PERMIT which results in claims being asserted against or judgment being imposed against the State of Michigan, the Michigan Transportation Commission, the DEPARTMENT, and all officers, agents and employees thereof and those contracting governmental bodies performing permit activities for the DEPARTMENT and all officers, agents, and employees thereof, pursuant to a maintenance contract. In the event that the same occurs, for the purposes of the PERMIT, it will be considered as a breach of the PERMIT thereby giving the State of Michigan, the DEPARTMENT, and/or the Michigan Transportation Commission a right to seek and obtain any necessary relief or remedy, including, but not by way of limitation, a judgment for money damages.
5. The MUNICIPALITY will, by its own volition and/or request by the DEPARTMENT, promptly restore and/or correct physical or operating damages to any State Highway Right of Way resulting from the installation construction, operation and/or maintenance of the MUNICIPALITY'S facilities according to a PERMIT issued by the DEPARTMENT.

- 6. With respect to any activities authorized by a PERMIT, when the MUNICIPALITY requires insurance on its own or its contractor's behalf it shall also require that such policy include as named insured the State of Michigan, the Transportation Commission, the DEPARTMENT, and all officers, agents, and employees thereof and those governmental bodies performing permit activities for the DEPARTMENT and all officers, agents, and employees thereof, pursuant to a maintenance contract.
- 7. The incorporation by the DEPARTMENT of this *Resolution* as part of a PERMIT does not prevent the DEPARTMENT from requiring additional performance security or insurance before issuance of a PERMIT.
- 8. This *Resolution* shall continue in force from this date until cancelled by the MUNICIPALITY or the DEPARTMENT with no less than thirty (30) days prior written notice provided to the other party. It will not be cancelled or otherwise terminated by the MUNICIPALITY with regard to any PERMIT which has already been issued or activity which has already been undertaken.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following position(s) are authorized to apply to the DEPARTMENT for the necessary permit to work within State Highway Right of Way on behalf of the MUNICIPALITY.

Title and/or Name:

Rich Rehkopf, DPW Superintendent

Rich Saladin, City Manager

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by

the Reed City Council  
(Name of Board, etc.)

of the City of Reed City of Osceola  
(Name of MUNICIPALITY) (County)

at a Regular City Council meeting held on the 12th day  
of January A.D. 2026.

*Chastity Eads*

Signed

City Clerk

Title

Chastity Eads

Print Signed Name

**Resolution 2026-04 DDA Citizens Council**

Motion by Woodside, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to approve Resolution 2026-04 Performance Resolution for Municipalities as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Meinert, Nixon, Woodside, Guiles, Bailey, and Lupo. Absent Anderlohr.

RESOLUTION OF  
CITY OF REED CITY  
Resolution 2026-04

The City Council of the City of Reed City, Osceola County, Michigan, hereby proposes its intention to establish a development area citizens council in accordance with Section 221 of the RECODIFIED TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ACT, Act 57 of 2018, (as amended).

This resolution being presented at a regular meeting of the City Council of Reed City, Osceola County, Michigan, held in the City Hall in said City on January 12, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., local time.

Present: Roger Meinert, Trevor Guiles, Nicole Woodside, Charles Lupo, Nate Bailey, and Brad Nixon  
Absent: James Anderlohr

WHEREAS, the City of Reed City as authorized by the provisions of Act 57, Public Acts of Michigan, 2018, has created a Downtown Development Authority by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized by the provisions of Act 57 of 2018, to establish a development area; and the development area has 100 or more residents residing within it; and

WHEREAS, the City Council determines that it is in the best interest of the City of Reed City to consider an amendment to the Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a development area citizens council, therefore, as required by Act 57.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

A development area citizens council shall be established as follows:

- (1) The development area citizens council shall be established at least 90 days before the public hearing on the development or tax increment financing plan. The development area citizens council shall consist of not less than 9 members. The members of the development area citizens council shall be residents of the development area and shall be appointed by the City Council. Members of a development area citizens council shall be at least 18 years of age.
- (2) A development area citizens council shall be representative of the development area.
- (3) The development area citizens council shall act as an advisory body to the authority and the City in the adoption of the development or tax increment financing plan.
- (4) Periodically, a representative of the authority responsible for preparation of a development or tax increment financing plan within the development area, shall consult with and advise the development area citizens council regarding the aspects of a development plan, including the development of new housing for relocation purposes located either inside or outside of the development area. The consultation shall begin before any final decisions by the authority and the governing body regarding a development or tax increment financing plan. The consultation shall continue throughout the preparation and implementation of the development or tax increment financing plan.
- (5) Meetings of the development area citizens council shall be open to the public. Notice of the time and place of the meetings shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation not less than 5 days before the dates set for meetings of the development area citizens council. A person present at those meetings shall have reasonable opportunity to be heard.
- (6) A record of the meetings of a development area citizens council, including information and data presented, shall be maintained.
- (7) A development area citizens council may request of, and receive from the authority, information, and technical assistance relevant to the preparation of the development plan for the development area.
- (8) Failure of a development area citizens council to organize or to consult with and be advised by the authority, or failure to advise the City Council, as provided in this act, shall not preclude the adoption of a development plan by the city if the city complies with the other provisions of this act.
- (9) Within 20 days after the public hearing on a development or tax increment financing plan, the development area citizens council shall notify the City Council, in writing, of its findings and recommendations concerning a proposed development plan.
- (10) A development area citizens council may not be required and, if formed, may be dissolved in any of the following situations:
  - (a) On petition of not less than 20% of the adult resident population of the development area by the last federal decennial or municipal census, a City Council, after public hearing with notice thereof given in accordance with Section 18 and by a 2/3 vote, may adopt an ordinance for the development area to eliminate the necessity of a development area citizens council.

(b) When there are less than 18 residents, real property owners, or representatives of establishments located in the development area eligible to serve on the development area citizens council.

(c) Upon termination of the authority by ordinance of the City Council.

(11) The development area citizens council shall consist of the following nine appointed members:

Michelle Beilfuss, Joseph Kennedy, Shawna Kennedy, Cinda Locker, Timothy Locker, Charles Lupo, Michelle Pennington-Wirth, Anita Reger, Edward Williams

Motion: Woodside Second: Lupo

AYES: Council Members: Meinert, Nixon, Woodside, Guiles, Bailey, and Lupo

NAYES: Council Members: ABSENT: Council Members: Anderlohr

STATE OF MICHIGAN )  
CITY OF REED CITY ) SS  
COUNTY OF OSCEOLA )

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City of Reed City City Council, County of Osceola, State of Michigan at a regular meeting held on January 12, 2026, the original of which is on file in my office. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act. 267, Public Acts of Michigan 1976, as amended.

*Chastity Eads*

Chastity Eads, City Clerk

### **Reed City Police Department Patrol Vehicle Purchase**

Motion by Guiles, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to approve The Reed City Police Department to purchase a 2026 Ford Explorer, under the MI Deal contract, for the purchase price of \$46,810.00 as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Lupo, Guiles, Meinert, Bailey, Nixon, and Woodside. Absent Anderlohr.

### Consent Agenda

Motion made by Woodside, seconded by Lupo, **CARRIED**, to approve Consent Agendas as submitted. Affirmed by voice vote.

### City Manager Report

In addition to the submitted written report, Rich Saladin reported that the Osceola County Land Bank Authority notified the City that it has approved the demolition of the white concrete block building located behind the Depot using grant funds, at no cost to the City. EGLE has approved the City's Wells #6 and #7 to go live. The City's residential waste removal service has fully transitioned to Sam's. Due to recent weather conditions, the DPW crew has remained especially busy and has continued to do a great job maintaining city streets following snow and ice events.

### Mayor Report

Nothing to share currently. Bill review schedule was not available at the meeting.

### Attorney Report

Dave Porteous reported that the police continue to work on a lengthy FOIA request which has required an unbelievable amount of time reviewing and copying the report records involved in the request.

### Council Comments

Nate Bailey shared that he is going to research the costs and logistics associated with transitioning from using salt vs. using beet juice on the roads.

Trevor Guiles reinforced the appreciation to DPW crew on the work they do in a kind and courteous way around the city.

Audience comments

Russ Nehmer in lieu of a written County Commissioner report shared that Richmond township board discussed having a meeting with the city regarding water/sewer utilities in the near future.

Adjournment Mayor Meinert adjourned the meeting at 6:23 P.M.

*Chastity Eads*

Chastity Eads, City Clerk