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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 23, 2025

Council Present: Councilors: Diane Hyde, Amy Thrasher, Eric Gjonnes, & Mayor Mike Wagner

Council Absent: Jessica Ritchie-excused

Employees Present: Lib. Dir. Michele Ray, PW Jerry Faber, CM Micki Valentine

Public Present: none

Opened w/pledge: @ 6:30 pm by Mayor Mike Wagner

Roll Call: Taken

Announcements (Additions to Agenda/Conflict of Interest/Ex-Parte/Bias):

- Gjonnes declared potential conflict of interest if there is discussion on the 7th Street subdivision. *(not on agenda)*

Presentations: Mayor Wagner has selected the winner of the Deck the House holiday lighting contest, which is the Pantovich family at 1020 7th Street. It was an extremely difficult decision because there were several impressive displays!

Public Comment: no comments made

Sheriff's Report: Reviewed report. It was noted that there was an unusually high number of incidents.

Consent Agenda: Council Meeting Minutes November 25, 2025; Bills Paid November 26, 2025 – December 23, 2025. *Councilor Hyde motioned to approve – Councilor Thrasher second – Wagner, Gjonnes, Hyde, & Thrasher in favor – none opposed – Ritchie absent - approved.*

Public Hearings: none

Unfinished Business:

- **Safe Routes to School Update** – The update report was reviewed. Safety curbs at the grates still need to be placed. Once completed ODOT will need to do a final inspection. Light poles are on Pacific Power's work list. Missing vendor checks have been delivered and cleared the bank.
- **Library Window Replacement** – Reviewed the Request for Quote. Project is to replace all windows. The project will be paid out of the Building Reserve Fund. *Thrasher motioned to direct Micki Valentine to obtain quotes for the library window replacement project – Hyde second – all in favor – none opposed – Ritchie absent – approved.*

New Business:

- **Resolution 622-2025 Surplus Property** – The list of surplus items are reviewed. *Councilor Hyde motions to approve – Thrasher second – Wagner, Gjonnes, Hyde, & Thrasher in favor – none opposed – Ritchie absent – approved.*
- **Resolution 623-2025 Library Courtesy Policy** – Library Director Michele Ray provides a review of the policy. *Councilor Gjonnes motions to approve – Thrasher second – all in favor – none opposed – Ritchie absent – approved.*
- **Street & Storm Drain Design Standards – Sidewalks** – Page 3 of the Transportation section of the Lyons Street & Storm Design Standards is provided to show that sidewalks are not required in residential neighborhoods. Table 1 – Street Classification Standards, B – Local Residential streets, in the Sidewalk column, sidewalks are listed as N/A – Not Applicable. Streets within subdivisions are Local Residential streets. That explains why new subdivisions have not been putting in sidewalks.

Correspondence:

- none

Library Director Report: Library Director, Michele Ray, provides the library report. She noted that they are preparing for the Summer Reading Program, setup the activity table, and StoryTime begins in January.

City Manager Report: CM Valentine provides report. PW Lead is out on family leave. With the windstorm, Jerry has had a lot of storm debris to cleanup. The Lyons Memorial Park is closed due to fallen branches and debris. We expect it to reopen on Friday. Vault toilet was pumped. The library furnace was replaced and the two mini-split units were repaired. The audit is complete. *(Report handed out for review & will be on the January agenda.)* Looking for a company to install exterior lighting for the City Hall parking lot. Safety meeting topic is First Aid which is an online training. The annual TMDL meeting is scheduled for January 14th in Detroit. Complaints were reviewed.

Planning Commission Report: Planning Commission met December 17th. The meeting was continued to January 21st.

Financial Reports: Reports were available for review. Wagner commented on tax collections. No further questions or comments were made.

Mayor/Council – Questions, Comments, Commissioner Reports:

- Mayor Mike Wagner, Building Impr., Utility, Police/Safety – Nothing more to add.
- Councilor Jessica Ritchie, Library – absent
- Councilor Diane Hyde, Transportation – Nothing more to add.
- Councilor Amy Thrasher, Cemetery – Nothing more to add.
- Councilor Eric Gjonnes, Parks & Recreation – Appreciates work to get a walking trail around the pond.

Executive Session: none

Requests – Councilor Requests/Future Agenda Items/Announcements: none

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 27, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 6:30 pm.

Adjourned @ 7:11 pm

Summarized by CM Valentine