

**Minutes for a Special Meeting
Of the Winthrop City Council
Tuesday, October 23rd, 2018**

A special meeting of the Winthrop City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23rd, 2018, in the City Council Chambers of City Hall for the purposes of conducting the business of the city.

- I. CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kelly Pierson at 7:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL: Council members: Kelly Pierson, Dale Malheim, Pete Machaiek and Julie Trebelhorn were present. Councilors Bob Rickheim and Lyle Muth were absent. **City Staff present:** City Administrator Jenny Hazelton, City Clerk Melissa Lorenz, Public Works Director Gordy Grack, Park Maintenance Director Oscar Olson, Utility Billing Clerk Matthew Schuth, Police Chief Karen Johnson. **Audience:** Dave Trebelhorn.

II. Automated Metering System

The Council reviewed the information presented regarding the automated metering system. The water system has a 4-5 year pay back and the electric system has about a year pay back. The installation of both systems will be bid out. MMPA is looking at starting time of day metering so it would be best to start with the water system and wait a few months to do the electric system. Council agreed to put the item on the November 5th agenda for consideration.

III. Budget Review

Council reviewed the proposed 2019 budget and recommend the following adjustments:

Cut Legal \$4,631

Cut PD Part Time \$5,000

Cut PD Telephone \$600

Cut Streets Structural Repairs \$19,000

Cut Snow Temp Employee \$500

Cut Library Telephone \$400

Cut Fire Prof Svc \$1,500

Cut Library Capital Reserves Carpet \$500

Cut Library Capital Reserves Computer \$500

Cut Municipal Bldg Capital Reserves Windows \$5,000

Total Cuts: \$37,631

Move money from Reserves to General Fund for expenses:

From Small Cities Assistance fund \$15,000

From RS Fiber Reserve Fund \$15,000

From Fines and Forfeitures \$4,854

Total from reserves: \$34,854

Total Recommended Reduction of Levy \$72,485

Final action on these adjustments will be taken at the December 3rd
Truth in Taxation meeting.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Councilor Trebelhorn, second Councilor Malheim to adjourn.

Passed voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator