



**CITY OF PONDERAY
REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
November 18th, 2024**

MAYOR GEIGER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Geiger, Councilmember McNearney, Councilmember Mitton, Councilmember Thompson, Councilmember Larkin

ALSO, PRESENT: Chief Cornelius, City Clerk Peterson, Planning Director Miller, Attorney Marshall

ABSENT:

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND/OR DISCLOSURES:

AMEND AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1) Approve Bills \$677,355.68.
- 2) Approve Special Meeting Minutes from November 7th, 2024.
- 3) Acknowledge Police & Treasurer's Report.

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Mitton/McNearney. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:

MAYOR:

- Mayor Geiger gave updates.
 - Disappointed is the Local Option Sales Tax outcome.
 - 530 people voted. (81%)
 - 651 total registered voters.
 - Basically 50% in favor 50% opposed.
 - FAQ Sheet for Animal Shelter/Dog Policy

CLERK:

- **ACTION ITEM** Non-property (Hotel/Motel) Bed Tax Noncompliance – No. 104
Presentation by City Clerk Peterson.

- Friday at 12:00 p.m.

POLICE:

- Chief Cornelius gave updates.
 - Spoke to the Daily Bee.
 - Article on Animal Shelter.
 - Lifesaving Awards
 - Detective Kaufman
 - Corporal Robillard
 - Post on Social Media
 - Keep cars off streets for snowplowing.

- **ACTION ITEM** Employee Phone Acquisition

Presentation by Detective Kaufman.

- T-Mobile
 - Purchase three phones and get service for five years for free.
 - Also purchase screen savers and cases.

Motion to Approve Employee Phone Acquisition.

Councilmember Larkin/Thompson. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

STREET/PUBLIC WORKS:

PLANNING, PARKS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

- City Planning Director Miller gave updates.
 - Bay Trail
 - Will fix ruts in the spring.
 - McGhee Pathway
 - Final walk through.
 - Some patches will be fixed in the spring.
 - McNearney Road
 - Will be leaving this week.
 - Ice Rink
 - Sponsorships spots are sold out.
 - Soft opening this Saturday.
 - November 23rd, 2025.
 - Grand Opening
 - November 29th, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.
 - Daily Bee and in Reader.
 - Field of Dreams
 - Hydrology Class at U of I to study the drainage system of the Field of Dreams.

- **ACTION ITEM** City Engineer Selection and Contract Acceptance

Presentation by Planning Director Miller.

- Contract for service.
 - Not to exceed \$55,000.00.
 - Labor rate multiplier of 3.0.

Motion to Approve the Contract with Century West.

Councilmember Thompson/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CONTRACTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Councilmember Larkin/Thompson

Meeting Adjourned 6:05 p.m.

City Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Peterson

Mayor Steve Geiger