



**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the
Cedar Springs City Council**

**Thursday, December 3, 2015
7:00 p.m.**

**Cedar Springs City Hall
66 S. Main St.
Cedar Springs, Michigan**

1. The Meeting was Called to Order by Mayor **Jerry Hall** at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. <u>ROLL CALL:</u>	Mr. Daniel Clark	Present
	Mr. Perry Hopkins	Present
	Mrs. Molly Nixon	Present
	Mrs. Rose Ellen Powell	Present
	Mr. Robert Truesdale	Absent
	Mrs. Pamela Conley, Mayor Pro Tem	Present
	Mr. Gerald Hall, Mayor	Present

Motion by Conley, supported by Hopkins, to excuse Truesdale's absence.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

3. PUBLIC FORUM.

Dave Ringler, 95 N. Main, stated three employee cars had been broken into in one of the city parking lots. He had reported it and the City has been responsive in trying to resolve the situation with the lighting. He was hopeful for what was happening in the City and the former city manager had been instrumental in bringing in new businesses. He hoped the Council would hire the MML to conduct the search and felt a new city manager should be a facilitator and help rebuild the base of the community.

Pat Capek, 100 E. Muskegon, congratulated the Council on bringing in the MML to search for a new city manager.

4. **Motion by Conley, supported by Clark, to approve the agenda.**

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

5. NEW BUSINESS.

- A. There was no discussion regarding community input concerning attributes necessary for a new city manager.
- B. **Kathie Grinzinger**, lead executive recruiter for the MML presented a service summary of what the MML would provide should the Council decide to use their services to search for a new city manager. She quoted a price for the service at not-to-exceed \$10,000.00.

Motion by Hopkins, supported by Conley, to contract with the Michigan Municipal League for the purpose of conducting a search for a new city manager.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

6. There was no other business to come before the Council.

7. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

Powell – was happy with the decision to use the MML for the city manager search.

Conley – was appreciative of the leg work the mayor had put into working to get the MML in place.

Hopkins – echoed Conley’s comments; reminded everyone that Santa was coming to the town that weekend and that some people were not happy with the Council wanting to close off Main St. for the parade; but they were going to do it to provide a safe environment.

Nixon - said she would not be able to attend the January city council meeting as she had a prior engagement; it was overwhelming that the community wanted the council to go with the MML and was excited to begin the process.

Hall – the MML was the only way to go; the holidays were slowing them down; but we are on the way to finding a new city manager.

8. The Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Linda Christensen, City Clerk

Gerald Hall, Mayor