



**SPECIAL MEETING  
CEDAR SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, March 27, 2018**

**6:00 p.m. Meeting**

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

1. **Hall** called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Pamela Conley, Mayor Pro Tem	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Jerry Gross Sr.	<u>Present</u>
Ms. Rose Powell	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Gerald Hall, Mayor	<u>Present</u>

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

*The Council welcomes and encourages the public to speak during the public comment and public hearing portions of the agenda. However, Council policy is to hear the public comment, not to act on the public comment at this time. Concerns brought before the Council during the Public Comment portion of the agenda will be referred to the City Manager for action. If, after communicating with the City Manager, no resolution is reached, the concern will be elevated to the Mayor and then eventually to the Council for action.*

*Those citizens wishing to speak on agenda and non-agenda items will be allowed a maximum of four minutes each to address their concerns. This is the only time during the Council meeting that citizens are allowed to address the Council. Please state your name and address for the record.*

**None.**

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. 2018-2019 Proposed Budget.

**Falcon** reviewed each fund.

City Assessor-increase of \$926 due to contract increase.

City Clerk/Deputy-increase because of expected increase in insurance coverage.

It Department- Increase because computers are slowly being updated to keep technology up to date.

City Building-due to capital expenses.

Police Department- negotiations are still in progress, but the maximum that it can be raised is 2.5%.

Fire Department-increase in wages of \$1 per run. **Gross** stated that he would like to have the council consider to dedicate the amount of the Nelson Township Fire agreement to the purchase of a new truck each year.

Parks & Recreation- increase to begin working on replacing aging park equipment.

**Conley** requested a list of the GO bonds and when they will be expiring.

Sewer Fund- Rate study will be being completed in June because the REU table is antiquated. There has not been a rate change in the last two years. The city charter does not restrict when a rate change can occur. It was noted that the sewer system depreciated \$140,000 and only \$98,000 is estimated for capital improvements.

Motion by **Conley** supported by **Powell** to cancel the April 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Meeting.

**Roll Call Vote.**

**4-0**

**Motion Carried.**

12. ADJOURNMENT.

**Hall** adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

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Rebecca Newland, City Clerk

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Gerald Hall, Mayor