

CITY OF TIOGA

City Commission Meeting Minutes
01/20/26
Unofficial

A meeting of the City Commission of the City of Tioga was called to order at 7:00 pm on January 20, 2026, at the Tioga City Hall, by President of the City Commission Brett Rieniets.

PRESENT: Brett Rieniets, Kyle Ralston, Jaden Iverson, Steven Dye, Liz Pendlay (remote), Wendy Lenzen

Guest: Chief Hallin, Patrick Carabello, Chuck Stewart, Josh Reiner (Moore Engineering), Josh Vachal, Bob Fuson, Joy Sparks, Joel Shaffett, Nickolas Oster, Henry Rieniets

Pledge of Allegiance:

Minutes: Exhibits of Commission Meeting Minutes for January 5, 2026, Commission Meeting were presented.

Ralston made a motion to approve as presented with no errors or omissions, second by Iverson. Roll Call: Ayes; Ralston, Iverson, Dye, Rieniets

Commissioners Reports:

Street: Commissioner Ralston advised that snow removal from city streets has been challenging with vehicles not being moved. Ralston noticed that vehicles that were not moved within the next two weeks, February 3, 2026 could be subject to towing at the owner's expense. He asked that any questions or concerns be brought to him directly.

Finance: None

President: Rieniets shared that 2025 was not an easy year for the City of Tioga, but he is really happy with how smooth things are running currently and the improvement in the financial position continues. Rieniets thanked the city employees for their work as well as his fellow commissioners.

Water: There has been a delay due to the weather on the repairs to the lagoon. Ralston advised that the project has been pushed to the end of March 2026

Modifications/Approval of Agenda: Rieniets advised that he would like to add two invoices for payment and remove items 4 and 5 under new business. **Ralston made a motion to remove new business agenda items number 4 and 5 and replacing item 4 with Agri Industries quote and item 5 with RPM Sound Design quote, second by Iverson. Roll Call: Ayes; Ralston, Iverson, Dye, Rieniets**

Old Business:

- 1. Legal Report:** Liz advised that all legal matters are moving along as expected and communications with Tera Flex are tracking as they need to be.
- 2. Engineer Report:** Josh Reiner discussed preliminary drawings/designs and a draft construction contract for the baseball field project and requested that a meeting be set up to discuss further. Rieniets requested that anything regarding an early completion bonus be removed from the contract. Reiner advised that the S Main St project has had additional deterioration since the initial onsite visit in July of 2023 and would like to schedule another onsite visit. Ralston questioned if it was possible to complete an accurate assessment on the street condition in the winter months.

New Business:

3. **Letters of Interest – City Commission:** Commissioner Rieniets advised that the commission has used the last two weeks to complete their due diligence and would like to address the letter of interest submitted by Bob Fuson to serve as a City Commissioner for the remainder of the open term expiring June 2026. Discussion held. **Motion by Ralston to accept the letter of interest from Bob Fuson to the open Commission Seat. Second by Iverson. Roll Call: Ayes; Ralston, Iverson, Dye, Rieniets.** Rieniets advised that the Oath of Office and portfolio assignment would be scheduled for 6:30 on February 2, 2026.
 4. **Agri Industries quote:** Ralston presented a quote for repair of a water pump used at the landfill and if there is a watermain break. Repairing the pump would cost \$3,427.14 and includes parts and labor. **Motion by Ralston to approve the quote from Agri Industries for repair of the 6 inch water pump in the amount of \$3,427.14. Second by Ralston. Roll Call: Ayes; Ralston, Iverson, Dye, Rieniets**
 5. **RPM Sound Design quote:** Rieniets advised that the speaker system at the community center is not working in the original part of the building and the quote presented is for a replacement part, labor and travel in the amount of \$1,969.00. **Motion by Ralston to approve the quote from RPM Sound Design in the amount of \$1,969.00. Second by Iverson. Roll Call: Ayes; Ralston, Iverson, Dye, Rieniets**
 6. **Johnson Controls:** Rieniets advised of the invoice for contract renewal with Johnson Controls for inspecting and testing sprinklers and fire alarms in City Hall in the amount of \$6,190.58 for a term of three years. **Motion by Iverson to approve the invoice from Johnson Controls in the amount of \$6,190.58 and to renew the three-year contract. Second by Ralston. Roll Call: Ayes; Ralston, Iverson, Dye, Rieniets**
 7. **Bank Depositories:** Iverson discussed the requirement for the City of Tioga to designate a City Depository. **Motion by Iverson to designate The Bank of Tioga as the depository for the City of Tioga. Second by Ralston. Roll Call: Ayes; Ralston, Iverson, Dye, Rieniets**
- Consent Agenda:**
8. **Bills Jan (2)**
 9. **Payroll 2**
 10. **Raffle Permit – Tioga Historical Society**

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Ralston. Second by Iverson. Roll Call: Ayes; Ralston, Iverson, Dye, Rieniets.

Public Comment:

With no further business the meeting of the Tioga City Commission was adjourned by unanimous vote moved by Ralston second by Iverson at 7:33 p.m.

The next meeting of the City of Tioga is scheduled for Monday, February 2, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., to be held at the Tioga City Hall.

Brett Rieniets, President of the City Commission

ATTEST:

Wendy Lenzen, City Auditor