

**City of Rock Creek
City Council Minutes
January 6, 2026 - 6PM**

The Rock Creek City Council meeting was called to order at 6:02PM by Mayor Dick Johnson with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Dick Johnson, Council Members Dan Saumer, Nancy Rys, Sam Christenson and Don Ramberg.

Others present: Public Works Curt Kubesh, Deputy Clerk Ashley Rauschnot, City Sewer Inspector Amy Thompson and interested citizens.

Dan Saumer motioned seconded by Don Ramberg approval of the December 4, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes. Motion carried all ayes.

Don Ramberg motioned seconded by Sam Christenson approval of the December 9, 2025 Truth in Taxation Meeting Minutes. Motion carried all ayes.

Dan Saumer motioned seconded by Don Ramberg approval of the December Disbursements. Motion carried all ayes.

Don Ramberg motioned seconded by Dan Saumer approval of the variance application VA-25-001 for Oliver Rauschnot. Motion carried all ayes and Sam Christenson abstaining.

Sam Christenson motioned seconded by Don Ramberg to designate Frandsen Bank & Trust, 560 Third Avenue SE, Pine City, MN for Checking and Savings. Motion carried all ayes.

Sam Christenson motioned seconded by Don Ramberg to approve the Resolution for Safe Deposit Box rental in the vaults of Frandsen Bank & Trust. Motion carried all ayes.

Nancy Rys motioned seconded by Dan Saumer to designate the Pine City Pioneer Paper for Publishing. Motion carried all ayes.

Don Ramberg motioned seconded by Dan Saumer to enter into a Retainer Agreement with Eckberg & Lammers, P.C. in Stillwater, MN. Motion carried all ayes.

Sam Christenson motioned seconded by Nancy Rys to make the following City Council appointments:

Acting Mayor (in the Mayor's Absence) – Dan Saumer

Road Supervisor – Don Ramberg

Zoning Enforcement Officer – Sam Christenson

Cemetery Supervisor – Dick Johnson

Representative for Planning Commission – Nancy Rys

Motion passed all ayes.

Don Ramberg motioned seconded by Dan Saumer approval of the job description for a Public Works Part-time position and to advertise the position in the Pine City Pioneer, the City website and Facebook. Motion carried all ayes.

Don Ramberg motioned seconded by Sam Christenson approval of a Septic Reinspection Fee of \$100.00 to be added to the City Fee Schedule. Motion carried all ayes.

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Dan Saumer motioned seconded by Don Ramberg approval of terminating Interim Use Permit IUP-17-001 / Auto Approve after receiving written confirmation that the interim use permit is no longer needed. Motion carried all ayes.

Don Ramberg moved seconded by Sam Christenson that the City does not waive the Monetary Limits on Municipal Tort Liability established by Minnesota Statutes 466.04. Motion carried all ayes.

Don Ramberg motioned seconded by Sam Christenson to adjourn the City Council meeting at 7:48PM. Motion carried all ayes.

Sandra Pangerl
City Administrator