

MINUTES
TONKA BAY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Tonka Bay City Council was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mayor Jennings, Council Members Anderson, Broas, Eckland, and Ottum.

Staff present: City Administrator Holl, City Engineer Bradford, and City Attorney Nason.

Others present: Chelsea McAlexander, Jeff McAlexander

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of 8.B and the removal of 9.B, 9.E and 9.F. Council Member Broas seconded the motion. Ayes: Anderson, Broas, Eckland, Ottum, and Jennings. The motion carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes from December 3, 2025 Council Work Session Meeting
2. Minutes from December 3, 2025 Regular City Council Meeting
3. Minutes from December 9, 2025 Regular City Council M
4. December 2025 Claims
5. 2026 City Holiday Calendar
6. Country Club Lanes 2026 Liquor License
7. Hazelwood 2026 Liquor License
8. Joey Nova's Pizzeria 2026 Liquor License
9. Sun Sailor as the Legal Newspaper for Publication
10. City Administrator Resignation Letter
11. Hennepin County Notice – 2026 Temporary Construction Easement Highway 19
12. November 2025 SLMPD Monthly Call Report
13. Senate District 45 Caucus Reminder

Council Member Anderson made a motion to approve the consent agenda with noted changes. Council Member Broas seconded the motion. Ayes: Anderson, Broas, Eckland, Ottum, and Jennings. The motion carried.

5. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

None

6. PUBLIC HEARING

None

7. SPECIAL BUSINESS

None

7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. LMCD Tonka Bay Representative Appointment Update: City Administrator Holl informed the Council that an appointment is needed to fill the City's representative position on the Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD), as Ryan Ellis resigned from the role several months ago. Holl indicated that three individuals have expressed interest—two from Tonka Bay and one from Orono. He asked the Council for direction on how they would like to proceed, including whether to conduct interviews. Council asked Holl to invite them for an interview at the next Work Session Meeting.

- B. LMCD Wakeboard Letter: Holl discussed a letter received from John Bent of the LMCD regarding the impacts of enhanced wakeboard boats. He noted that many surrounding cities are reviewing regulatory policies related to this issue and are forwarding the letter of support for consideration. Holl indicated that the LMCD is requesting the City of Tonka Bay approve a letter of support and forward it to the LMCD.

A motion to adopt the Protecting Lake Minnetonka and Wake Enhance Boating Impacts was made by Council Member Anderson. Council Member Broas seconded the motion. Ayes: Anderson, Broas, Eckland, Ottum, and Jennings. The motion carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approve Resolution 2026-02 Annual Appointments and Designations: A motion to approve Resolution 2026-02 Annual Appointments with three noted changes was made by Council Member Anderson. Council Member Broas seconded the motion.

Roll call: Anderson Aye
 Broas Aye
 Eckland Aye
 Ottum Aye
 Jennings Aye

The motion carried.

- B. Consider Lake Minnetonka Coalition Legislative Lobbyist Participation: Mayor Jennings stated that this matter was discussed at the prior Work Session meeting. He explained that this is a lobbying effort in which Tonka Bay would partner with neighboring South Lake Region cities. The effort would involve retaining a lobbyist to advocate on the City's behalf for protecting local control, promoting a fair property assessment system, and supporting statewide property tax reform. The cost to join the coalition would be \$2,158.

Mayor Jennings noted that the issues most impactful to Tonka Bay are local control initiatives and property tax reform, as a significant portion of the City's population is on a fixed income. He emphasized the importance of maintaining local control over construction and zoning within the City. After much discussion, Council still had questions and agreed to continue the discussion at a future Work Session Meeting.

- C. Approve Resolution 2026-01 Recycling Grant Agreement with Hennepin County: A motion to approve Resolution 2026-01 Recycling Grant Agreement 2026-2028 with Hennepin County was made by Council Member Anderson. Council Member Broas seconded the motion.

Roll call: Anderson Aye
 Broas Aye
 Eckland Aye
 Ottum Aye
 Jennings Aye

The motion carried.

- D. Approve Resolution 2026-03 Metropolitan Council Inflow and Infiltration Grant: A motion to approve Resolution 2026-04 Metropolitan Council Private Inflow and Infiltration Grant was made by Council Member Anderson. Council Member Eckland seconded the motion.

Roll call: Anderson Aye
 Broas Aye
 Eckland Aye
 Ottum Aye
 Jennings Aye

The motion carried.

- E. Approve Resolution 2026-04 Metropolitan Council Private Inflow and Infiltration Grant: A motion to approve Resolution 2026-04 Metropolitan Council Private Inflow and Infiltration Grant was made by Council Member Anderson. Council Member Eckland seconded the motion.

Roll call: Anderson Aye
 Broas Aye
 Eckland Aye
 Ottum Aye
 Jennings Aye

The motion carried.

9. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

None

10. REPORTS

- A. City Administrator Holl provided Council and update on Code Enforcement. Holl noted that there is one open complaint regarding Short Term Rental and one that closed recently regarding an illegal fence installation which has been taken down by the property owner. Holl reported that the City Clerk has been added to the signatory for US Bank and reminded everyone that the Arctic Fever Glow Bowling is happening this Saturday, January 17, from 9 am to noon at Country Club Lanes. Parks and Docks will be providing free pizza. All are welcome to attend.

Council Member Eckland had questions regarding the MSA agreement, Manitou Park amenities, and Parks and Docks priority list. Holl

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council Member Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Council Member Broas seconded the motion. Ayes: Anderson, Broas, Eckland, Ottum, and Jennings. The motion carried.


Jennings, Mayor

Attest:


Gildemeister, City Clerk