

# *City of Iron Mountain*

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Regular Meeting of the Common Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, August 6, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Rosen

Present: Council Members Jacobetti, Moraska, Alessandrini, Corombos & Farragh

Absent: Member Villa

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Pirkola

## **Approval of Agenda**

Stanchina requested that "Approval to Purchase Re: Server" be added as item number five under New Business. It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to approve the agenda, as amended.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

## **Approval of Minutes**

*Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 16, 2012*

It was moved by Jacobetti and supported by Moraska to approve the Minutes of July 16, 2012, as prepared.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

*Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 30, 2012*

Stanchina noted that Tom Jayne's last name was spelled incorrectly.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the Minutes of July 30, 2012, as amended.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

## **Public Comment**

*Brenda Burkett - 931 East H Street*

She relayed her concerns for the quality of the City's drinking water. Stanchina explained what coliform is and how it is treated. It was concluded that the Water Department would investigate Burkett's concerns.

*Dennis Larson - 609 Kennedy Road*

He requested the closure of Kramer Drive between the intersection of Hillcrest and Kramer Drive and the veteran's memorial on August 25, 2012, between noon and midnight for an Upper Peninsula Veteran's Memorial and Park fundraiser.

*Chuck Lance - Director of Veteran's Affairs representing Dickinson County*

He voiced the opinion that veteran based organizations should not be regulated under the guidelines created for community service organizations as they were at a recent farmer's market, but have unrestricted access to public venues. Alessandrini, DDA Liaison, stated that the situation has been corrected. The City Council conveyed their support of veterans.

*Brenda Burkett - 931 East H Street*

She detailed the recent misunderstanding at the farmer's market.

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

### **Council Consideration to Sell City Owned Property Re: Former Khoury Property**

Stanchina noted that the City of Iron Mountain now retains ownership of the Khoury Property due to the dissolution of the Tax Incremental Finance Authority. He recommended that proposals be solicited for the sale of the Khoury Property, as it is currently generating no tax revenue. Stanchina stated that he would review the lease for the bill board located on the property.

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It was moved by Rosen and supported by Alessandrini to authorize the City Manager to prepare a proposal regarding the disposal of the Khoury Property.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Authorization to Solicit Proposals Re: Water System Study**

Stanchina noted that a water system study must be performed in 2012, as one must occur every ten years. He detailed the areas that a water study includes.

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Moraska to authorize the solicitation of proposals for a water system study.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval of Resolution and Guidelines Re: Deer Management Program**

Stanchina presented the proposed Deer Management Program materials. He asked that the resolution be amended to require that harvested deer be presented at the Police Department and that the Mud Lake area be added as a deer culling site.

Stanchina expressed the opinion that the requirement to present the harvested deer at the Police Station would not hamper the effectiveness of the program.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to approve the Resolution and Guidelines for the 2012 Deer Management Program, including the requirement to present the harvested deer at the Police Station and waive the \$15 land use fee.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Farragh to authorize the City Manger to apply for crop damage permits.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Authorization to Solicit Bids Re: Used Backhoe**

Stanchina recommended that the City solicit bids for a used back hoe. He expressed the opinion that the current bidding environment is more favorable than it was in the past.

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Alessandrini to authorize the City Manger to solicit bids for a used backhoe.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval to Purchase Re: Server**

Stanchina informed the City Council that the City needs to purchase a new server, as the current server is experiencing technical difficulties and is not under warranty. He stressed the importance of operating a reliable server. Stanchina projected that the total cost of the project would be \$6,250.00.

It was moved by Jacobetti and supported by Rosen to approve the purchase of a server for City Hall in the amount of \$6,250.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

## **Reports**

### **Financial Reports**

None

### **City Manager Reports**

Stanchina updated the City Council on the status of the reflectivity requirements for street signs. He expressed the opinion that it would be optimal to choose white signs with black letters for the highway and gold signs with black letter for the remaining signs.

Stanchina informed the City Council that credit cards will be accepted at Italian Fest. He conveyed that accepting credit cards will increase revenue.

Alessandrini suggested that the pick up truck used by the staff at the cemetery be replaced.

### **City Attorney Reports**

Pirkola outlined the process for developing condominium sites on Millie Hill. He relayed that the property owners, within the development, would be responsible for the continued maintenance of the pubic areas.

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**Committee Reports**

Stanchina communicated that Bacco Construction is donating their services for the improvement of the soccer fields at City Park. Rosen reported that the annual Saturday in the Park event raised approximately \$9,500.

**Public Comment**

None

**Council Member Privilege**

Moraska asked that he receive a copy of the Downtown Development Authority's minutes relating to the change in the policy of allowing community service organizations at the Farmer's Market.

**Executive Session Re: Collective Bargaining**

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to move into executive session at 7:45 p.m.

Corombos           Aye

Moraska            Aye

Jacobetti           Aye

Rosen                Aye

Alessandrini       Aye

Farragh             Aye

**Motion Prevailed (Aye - 6, Nay - 0, Abstain - 0)**

Executive Session ended at 8:16 p.m.

**Adjournment**

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Farragh to adjourn.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.



Isaac Micheau  
Clerk-Treasurer