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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Rosen

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

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Pirkola

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Moraska to approve the agenda, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 20, 2012

It was moved by Jacobetti and supported by Moraska to approve the Minutes of August 20, 2012, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

None

Old Business

Approval of Used Equipment Purchase Re: 2001 CAT Backhoe

Stanchina recommended that the City purchase a used 2001 CAT backhoe from Fabco Equipment, at a cost of \$26,625, pursuant to the bids received at the August 20, 2012, City Council meeting.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to purchase the 2001 CAT backhoe from Fabco Equipment for \$26,625, after trading in the 1969 John Deere backhoe.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

New Business

Discussion of Emergency Services Authority

Stanchina detailed an example of Articles of Incorporation to establish an Iron Mountain-Kingsford Public Service Authority. Rosen voiced his support of consolidating services with Kingsford. He requested that the City Attorney review the example. The City Council discussed several areas that will require clarification prior to consolidation

No Action Taken

Approval of Sewer Creek Lease Agreement Re: Maranatha Assembly of God Church

Stanchina conveyed that a portion of the Maranatha Assembly of God Church's parking lot is on Sewer Creek right-of-way and that a lease is required for the occupied portion. He confirmed that the City is not permitted, by the charter, to enter into a lease for a period of more than ten years, unless it is with another governmental entity.

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Moraska to approve a sewer creek lease agreement with the Maranatha Assembly of God Church for a period of ten years.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Ratification of Collective Bargaining Contract Re: IAFF

Stanchina outlined the changes to the 2011 – 2014 Contract Work Agreement between the City of Iron Mountain and the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF). He clarified the amount of sick leave an IAFF member is to receive annually and the amount they will receive if they exercise their option to sell sick time back to the City. Corombos noted that the language concerning the hiring of part-time employees should be clarified. Rosen stated his appreciation for the concessions that the IAFF agreed to in order to improvement the City's finances.

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It was moved by Rosen and supported by Alessandrini to approve the 2011 – 2014 Contract Work Agreement between the City of Iron Mountain and the International Association of Fire Fighters pending clarification of the language in Section 21, Items 2 and 7.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of WE Energies Easement Re: City Park

Stanchina relayed the request by WE Energies to obtain an easement for electrical lines within City Park.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Farragh to approve the WE Energies easement for City Park, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval to Purchase New Heat Exchanger Re: DPW Boiler

Stanchina requested that the City Council approve \$11,425.00 for the replacement of a heat exchanger at the DPW building. He stated that the replacement of this component is necessary and only available through a sole source provider. Stanchina explained the current maintenance plan for the boiler system at the DPW building.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Rosen to approve the purchase and installation of a new heat exchanger for the DPW boiler at a cost, not to exceed, \$11,425.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

None

City Manager Reports

Stanchina reported that the dedicated phone line to well #4 has been replaced by utilizing a repeating tower. He estimated the payback period to be just over one year.

Stanchina noted that Bacco Construction has begun crushing the roads that are to be paved this season.

Stanchina reported on the Planning Commission's desire to have an amendment to the Sign Ordinance and the creation of a Recreational Vehicle Ordinance approved by the City Council. Rosen suggested that abandoned yard sale signs be addressed in the Sign Ordinance amendment.

Stanchina conveyed that five fire hydrants will be replaced this season and that stump grinding may be delayed as a result.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Stanchina and Alessandrini detailed the progress that has taken place on the City Park renovation project. Moraska announced that the Friends of City Park has been approved for 501 C(3) status by the Internal Revenue Service.

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

None

Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer