

# *City of Iron Mountain*

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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, June 17, 2013 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 & Chief Financial Officer Bartolameolli

## **Approval of Agenda**

Rosen requested that "Approval of July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade Route and Liability Insurance Contribution" be added as item number eight 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 June 3, 2013*

It was moved by Villa and supported by Moraska to approve the Minutes of May 6, 2013, as presented.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

## **Public Comment**

None

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

### **Introduce and Establish a Public Hearing Date Re: Sign Ordinance**

Stanchina presented the proposed sign ordinance.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to establish a public hearing regarding the amendment of the Sign Ordinance on July 15, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Consideration of Property Request Re: Eagle Tool**

Stanchina detailed the property request by Eagle Tool and recommended that the City of Iron Mountain's portion of the property formally reserved for the future development of Woodward Avenue be sold through the amended real estate policy. Pirkola supported the opinion that a survey would not be necessary for this property sale.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Rosen to establish a public hearing regarding the property sale request by Eagle Tool on July 15, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval to Purchase Squad Car Re: MIDeal State Bid**

Stanchina explained that the USDA Rural Development grant for the purchase of a squad car was delayed due to federal sequestration. He requested that the City Council approve the purchase of a 2013 Dodge Charger with a V8, as a V6 model is not available. Stanchina clarified that the cost of a squad car through the MIDeal program is significantly less than locally available.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the purchase of a 2013 V8 Dodge Charger squad car from Sneathkamp Dodge in the amount of \$23,297.43.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

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### **Approval of 2013/14 Fee Schedule**

Stanchina outlined the proposed cemetery fee schedule.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Farragh to approve the 2013/14 Fee Schedule for the Cemetery, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Jacobetti to approve the 2013/14 Fee Schedule, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval of Year End Budget Amendment**

Bartolameolli detailed the Year End Budget Amendment. She stated that the General Fund is projected to incur a deficit of \$119,987 as of June 30, 2013. Bartolameolli conveyed that the unreserved balance in the General Fund is \$1,368,000.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to approve the Year End Budget Amendment, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Closure of City Park Re: July 27<sup>th</sup> Saturday in the Park**

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Corombos to close City Park for the Saturday in the Park event on July 27, 2013, between 12:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval of Kingsford High School Cross Country Meet Re: City Park Trails**

Stanchina recommended that the Kingsford High School be permitted to hold a cross country race at City Park and utilize an all-terrain vehicle for race management purposes on September 10, 2013, between 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. He relayed that there would be no conflict between the cross country meet and potential park renovations.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Farragh to authorize the use of City Park for the Kingsford High School cross country meet on September 10, 2013, as requested.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval of July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade Route and Liability Insurance Contribution**

Stanchina presented a request for contribution toward liability insurance by the American's for Constitutional Enforcement (A.C.E.) for the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade. He recommended that a donation of \$250 be made to A.C.E as reimbursement for their insurance costs, if the City Council chooses to donate.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Farragh to approve the requested street closures for the July 4, 2013, parade between 9:15 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Rosen, Villa & Alessandrini voiced their concern toward donating to an event that makes a profit. Pirkola imparted his objection to the City donating to a for profit event and to the assertion that liability insurance is necessary in this case.

## **Reports**

### **Financial Reports**

#### **May Claims and Payroll**

It was moved by Corombos and supported by Jacobetti to approve Payroll in the amount of \$329,360.66 and Claims in the amount of \$563,198.41, with net claims being \$296,810.85.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **City Manager Reports**

Stanchina informed the City Council that the Wild Rivers Invasive Species Coalition has expressed an interest in removing Garlic Mustard weeds from City Park.

Stanchina reported that the street sweeper is operational and that the street sweeping backlog is being addressed.

Stanchina updated the Council on the status of the tree program.

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Stanchina communicated that the installation of a septic system at City Park for the proposed bathroom installation is estimated to cost about \$10,000. Farragh and Alessandrini suggested that Stanchina look into the idea of adding to the current drain field behind the bocce courts.

Stanchina relayed that a request to hook up to the City's sewer system has been received on behalf of Millie Hill Estates and that it is under administrative review.

Stanchina clarified that the annual rubbish drop off cost the City approximately \$6,000 compared to \$60,000 for a rubbish pickup.

Stanchina stated that a new vector truck is slated to be purchased.

Alessandrini communicated that long grass and blight concerns should be more aggressively addressed. He imparted a citizens plan to address the rabbit population and habitat at City Park.

Villa reported on the status of the Mountain View Ice Arena.

**City Attorney Reports**

None

**Committee Reports**

None

**Public Comment**

None

**Council Member Privilege**

Moraska, Villa, Farragh & Rosen expressed his gratitude for the contributions Brad Maki made to the City of Iron Mountain.

Moraska highlighted the efforts Dean Lefebvre has made toward the youth of the community.

Stanchina explained the process and implications of the City requiring a property be razed.

**Adjournment**

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.



Isaac Micheau  
Clerk-Treasurer