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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, October 6, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Moraska, List, Revord, Coe & Zolner

Absent: Council Member Villa (*Entered at 6:31 p.m.*)

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Pirkola

Alessandrini welcomed the Iron Mountain High School students to the City Council Meeting.

Villa entered at 6:31 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Moraska requested that "Approval of Signage at City Park Athletic Fields" be added as item number 11 under New Business. List noted that item number six under New Business should state "Introduce and Set Public Hearing Re: Skate Park Ordinance" not "Introduce and Set Public Hearing Re: State Park Ordinance".

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to approve the agenda, as amended.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Special Meeting of September 12, 2014

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 12, 2014, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2014

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2014, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

Kathryn Bushong – 507 East Smith Street

Bushong highlighted the poor condition of the house she rents at 507 E. Smith Street and requested that the City Council assist in ensuring that the necessary repairs are made.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing for the Sale of City Real Estate Re: Mr. Harry Rahoi

Stanchina reviewed the request by Mr. Harry Rahoi to purchase City-owned land. He stated that the purchase price would be \$18,400.

Alessandrini opened the Public Hearing.

No comments were received.

Alessandrini closed the Public Hearing.

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Old Business

Authorization to Sell City-Owned Property Re: Mr. Harry Rahoi

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to authorize the City Manager to sell the City-owned property located adjacent to 400 N. Pine Street to Mr. Harry Rahoi at a cost of 18,400.00 plus additional expenses related to the sale.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

New Business

Street and Alley Closure Request by First National Bank Re: "Hometown Rivalry Kickoff"

Stanchina detailed the First National Bank's request to close a portion of Ludington Street and the alley adjacent to their facility located at 223 S. Stephenson Avenue for a "Hometown Rivalry Kickoff" event. Stanchina confirmed that the Fire Chief had no objections to the closure.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to approve the First National Bank's request to close a portion of Ludington Street and the alley adjacent to their facility located at 223 S. Stephenson Avenue on October 10, 2014, between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Discussion of Medallion Management's Proposed Development

Stanchina verified that the City Council had no objections to the proposed Medallion Management development before costs are incurred to move the project forward. He indicated that there is sewer capacity available for the development. Alessandrini, List and Revord supported moving the project forward. Moraska relayed his objection to the project due to the adverse effect on the current rental market and the increased demand for City services. Coe advocated for the manner in which Medallion Management maintains their facilities.

George Trujillo (Medallion Management Representative)

Trujillo assured the City Council that Medallion Management will aggressively pursue Veterans to occupy the proposed development. Moraska questioned if the Medallion Management facility would have to be inspected by the City of Iron Mountain. Trujillo confirmed that both the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) and an independent contractor hired by Medallion Management perform inspections annually. Moraska objected to the concept that Medallion Management would be exempt from having to comply with City rental housing inspection requirements.

It was moved by Revord and supported by List to support the development of the proposed Medallion Management housing project.

Zolner	Aye
Coe	Aye
Villa	Aye
Alessandrini	Aye
Revord	Aye
List	Aye
Moraska	Nay

Motion Prevailed (Aye-6, Nay-1, Abstain-0)

Authorization to Solicit Bids for the Purpose of Purchasing Winter Street Sand

Stanchina conveyed the need to purchase winter street sand. He estimated that the cost would be between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Villa to solicit quotes for winter street sand and award the quote to the lowest-priced contractor that meets City specifications.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Contractor Re: Tree Cutting and Trimming

Stanchina reported that Cagle's Tree Service was found to be the lowest-cost bidder for tree cutting and trimming at a cost of \$12,500.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Zolner to approve Cagle Tree Service to cut and trim trees, per the City bid specifications, at a cost of \$12,500.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Approval to Purchase Truck Body Re: Water Department Truck

Stanchina presented the three quotes to purchase and install a utility box on the City's recently purchased F-250 truck chassis. He recommended that Monroe Truck Equipment be selected at a cost of \$7,396.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to authorize the purchase and installation of a utility box by Monroe Truck Equipment at a cost of \$7,396.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Introduce and Set Public Hearing Re: Skate Park Ordinance

Stanchina outlined the proposed Skate Park Ordinance. Villa imparted the opinion that the skate board ordinance, as presented, is excessive. Revord suggested that injuries are possible within any area of the park by both those who are and are not in organized sports. Stanchina reiterated the inherent possibility of injury that is present within a skate park. It was moved by Moraska and supported by Revord to set a public hearing for October 20, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. regarding the establishment of the Skate Park Ordinance.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Introduce and Establish a Public Hearing to Amend the Zoning Ordinance Re: Provisional Centers

Stanchina submitted an ordinance regarding the regulation of Provisional Centers for Council consideration. He affirmed that the City Council would have the ability to approve or disapprove the establishment of provisional centers on a case-by-case basis. Moraska communicated his concerns regarding the permitting of provisional centers within the City. List, Revord and Alessandrini offered their support for the ordinance based on the belief that it would be preferable to create a system in which medical marijuana can be regulated.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to set a public hearing for November 3, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. to amend the City's Zoning Ordinance regarding provisional centers.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of General Fund Reserves

Stanchina requested City Council approval of General Fund Reserves. He detailed the memo as prepared by Chief Financial Officer Bartolameoli.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to approve the General Fund Reserves, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Street Administrator

Stanchina noted that regulatory changes require that he be reappointed as the City's Street Administrator.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Coe that City Manager Stanchina be appointed at Street Administrator.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Signage at City Park Athletic Fields

Moraska asked that the Friends of City Park be granted permission to install a sign at the athletic fields at City Park naming them "Dean Lefebvre Athletic Field".

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to authorize the Friends of City Park to install a sign at the City Park athletic fields naming them as "Dean Lefebvre Athletic Field".

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

None

City Manager Reports

Diagonal Parking Re: 200 Block of Hughitt Street

Stanchina conveyed that the line striping on the south side of the 200 Block of Hughitt Street has been completed. He indicated that the roadway is narrower and that the situation will be monitored to verify that the new parking scheme does not cause difficulties.

Annual Paving Projects

Stanchina reported that the annual paving projects have been completed.

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Collective Bargaining

Stanchina relayed that he will update the City Council on the status of the Police Lieutenants Contract during Executive Session.

Imprelis Concerns

Stanchina communicated that there may be additional tree damage on City property due to Imprelis herbicide usage.

Alessandrini inquired as to the status of the tax penalty assessment issue.

Moraska reiterated his request for the removal of the stand of jack pines adjacent to the new bathrooms at City Park due to their poor condition.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Alessandrini stated that the Dickinson County Construction Code Commission has experienced an increase in revenue.

Public Comment

Virginia Feleppa – 1136 Crystal Lake Blvd.

Stanchina confirmed that the ordinance amendments that will be considered at the upcoming public hearings will be posted on the City website.

Council Member Privilege

None

Executive Session Re: Collective Bargaining Strategy

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Revord to enter into Executive Session at 7:33 p.m.

Coe	Aye
Alessandrini	Aye
Revord	Aye
List	Aye
Moraska	Aye
Villa	Aye
Zolner	Aye

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Executive Session ended at 8:04 p.m.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Zolner to approve the tentative contract with the Police Lieutenants, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.



Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer