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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, February 16, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Coe, List, Moraska, Revord, Villa & Blomquist

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina, Chief Financial Officer Bartolameolli & Assistant City Attorney Cavalieri

Approval of Agenda

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 2, 2015

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Coe to approve the minutes of February 2, 2015, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

Virginia Feleppa – 1136 Crystal Lake Blvd.

Feleppa urged the residents and citizen of Iron Mountain to purchase trees though the City's street tree program.

Public Hearing

Discussion of YMCA Land Purchase Request

Stanchina explained that the purpose of the Public Hearing is to gage public opinion regarding the sale of the west side baseball field prior to the initiation of the City's land sales policy. Stanchina communicated that he would verify wither or not the west side baseball field was formally dedicated by the City.

Alessandrini opened the Public Hearing.

Virginia Feleppa – 1136 Crystal Lake Boulevard.

Feleppa voiced her support of the YMCA's expansion.

Barb Kramer – County Commissioner

Kramer highlighted that the YMCA's lease has been renewed by Dickinson County and that the membership at the Dickinson County location has exceed that of Delta County.

Jeff Deridder – N4073 Pine Mountain. Road

Deridder supported the YMCA's expansion.

Eric Kleiman – 560 Lake Antoine Road

Kleiman indicated his support for the YMCA's expansion.

David Maxon – 1300 E. Grand Boulevard / Little League Board

Maxon asked how the field would be replaced. Stanchina imparted that the east side field complex could be expanded.

Michael Fornetti – W8170 Millie Hill Estates Drive / YMCA Representative

Fornetti stressed the importance of the YMCA having an option to purchase, as 85% of the required funds would have to be raised prior to a public campaign is launched.

Alessandrini closed the Public Hearing.

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Old Business

Bid Opening Re: Well #4 Rehabilitation and Pump Replacement

Stanchina opened the following bids:

	w/o chemical treatment	w/chemical treatment
Layne Christenson Company	\$21,988.00	\$29,488.00
Kleiman Pump and Well Drilling	\$23,637.50	\$32,392.50

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Villa to refer the bids to staff for further review.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

New Business

Presentation for a Request to Name the Millie Hill Viewing Platform

Jayna Huotari, Iron Mountain-Kingsford Rotary Secretary, presented a request to name the Millie Hill viewing platform the "Samuel Basset Viewing Platform". Huotari convey that none of Basset's living relatives have been located at this time. It was moved by Moraska and supported by Revord to name the Millie Hill viewing platform the "Samuel Basset Viewing Platform" at the Rotary's expense.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Mid-Year Budget Amendment

Bartolameolli reviewed the Mid-Year Budget Amendment. Stanchina noted that wages for part-time firefighters were increased due to a decrease in the number of full-time firefighters on staff. Stanchina verified that the City was allocated additional funds due to last year's severe winter.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to approve the Mid-Year Budget Amendment, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Amend Policy #55 Water Billing Rules and Regulations Re: Meter Replacement due to Freezing

Stanchina relayed that the new water meters are contactless and are not repairable; therefore, the policy needs to be amended in order to remove repair fees. He clarified that the other charges within Policy #55 are sufficient.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Revord to amend Policy #55 regarding the meter replacement and NSF fees, as requested.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of DDA By-Law Amendment

Stanchina detailed the proposed DDA by-law amendments. He confirmed that missing three meetings would allow, not require, a board member to be removed.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Moraska to approve the proposed DDA by-law amendments.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

No Charge Park Pavilion Rental Re: Iron Mountain Schools PTO

Stanchina requested that the Iron Mountain Schools PTO be permitted to use the City Park pavilion for an end of the year picnic on June 4, 2015.

It was moved by Villa and supported by Alessandrini to waive the fee for the use of the City Park pavilion for the Iron Mountain Schools PTO on June 4, 2015.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

No Charge City Park Pavilion Rental Re: Golden K Special Needs Youth Picnic

Stanchina recommended the waiver of the free for the use of the City Park Pavilion for a Golden K Special Needs Youth Picnic on May 26, 2014.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Villa to waive the fee for the use of the City Park pavilion for Golden K on May 26, 2014.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Planning Commission Appointment Re: Mrs. Megan Blomquist

Stanchina submitted Megan Blomquist's letter of interest for appointment to the Planning Commission for Council approval. He stated that the position was advertised and that the City Attorney did not see a conflict of interest.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to appoint Megan Blomquist to the Planning Commission for a term to expire on May 19, 2015.

Blomquist Abstain

Coe Aye

Villa Aye

Alessandrini Aye

Revord Aye

List Aye

Moraska Aye

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

IM Housing Commission Appointment Re: Ms. Barbara Spooner

Stanchina offered Ms. Barbara Spooner for appointment to the Iron Mountain Housing Commission.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Alessandrini to appoint Ms. Barbara Spooner to the Iron Mountain Housing Commission for a term to expire on January 9, 2019.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Revenue and Expenditure Report for quarter-ending 12-31-2014

Bartolameolli outlined the Revenue and Expenditure Report for quarter-ending December 31, 2014. Stanchina asserted that the RDS subsidy was approximately \$30,000 and that it was deposited in the Health Insurance Fund.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Villa to accept the Revenue and Expenditure Report for quarter-ending December 31, 2014.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

January Claims and Payroll

Moraska reported that overtime was down in all departments. The Council discussed the cost of rail road crossings and technology services.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to approve Payroll in the amount of \$335,245.59 and Claims in the amount of \$662,084.59 with net claims being \$370,497.43.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Stanchina notified the City Council that the City's front-end loader had to be repaired and that the total cost exceeded his purchase authority. He asked that the City Council authorize the purchase.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Moraska to authorize the repair of the City's front-end loader at a cost of \$8,118.28.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

City Manager Reports

Water Infrastructure

Stanchina reported that there have been two broken and no frozen water mains this winter.

Stanchina noted that the Rotary car has received national press.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Villa communicated that the Mountain View Ice Arena is making money and working on additional fund raisers.

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Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

Coe thanked the Rotary for their efforts.

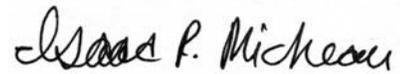
Alessandrini expressed the opinion that being a member of the Dickinson Area Chamber Alliance is not advantageous to the City.

Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer