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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, June 15, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

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

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina, City Attorney Pirkola, Chief Financial Officer Lieburn & Chief Financial Officer Bartolameo

Approval of Agenda

Alessandrini requested that "Authorization to Establish a Bank Account Re: 44 North" and "Consideration of Noise Wavier Re: Relay for Life" be added to New Business as items 10 and 11, respectively.

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 1, 2015

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the minutes of June 1, 2015, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Redevelopment Ready Community Presentation by Jennifer Tucker from MEDC

Tucker reviewed the mission, objectives and benefits of the Redevelopment Ready Community (RRC) program. She confirmed that there is no cost to the City. Tucker noted that the best practices would be part of the City's planning practices and would be included on the Michigan Economic Development Corporations (MEDC) website. She indicated that the friendliness of zoning is a consideration of the RRP. Blomquist stressed the importance of the value received while working through the RRC program. Tucker verified that that process could be ended at any time. She conveyed that while the City as a whole may benefit from the RRC program, the traditional downtown makes the city eligible. Megan Blomquist, Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Chairperson, imparted that the DDA's role would be to facilitate the dissemination and collection of information. Tucker clarified that financial assistance is provided through a partnership between the MEDC and the City.

No Action Taken

Approval of 80% City / 20% Employee Funding Ratio Re: Health Insurance

Stanchina explained that the 80% City / 20% employee funding ratio must be approved annually.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Moraska to approve the 80% employer / 20% employee cost share for medical benefit plans.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Approval to Rebuild 4x2 International Plow Truck #73

Stanchina recommended that the refurbishment of Truck #73 by Olson Trailer and Body LLC be approved at a cost of \$58,463. Alessandrini questioned how much the City had paid for this service in the past.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Revord to approve the refurbishment of Truck #73 by Olson Trailer and Body LLC at a cost of \$58,463.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of July 4th Fireworks Permit Re: Spielbauer Fireworks Company

Stanchina presented the "Application for Fireworks Display Permit" for approval. He relayed that there were no substantial changes.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to grant Spielbauer Fireworks a permit for July 4, 2015, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Planning Commission Appointment Re: Mr. Jonathan Ringel

Stanchina recommended that Mr. Jonathan Ringel be reappointed to the Planning Commission.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to appoint Mr. Jonathan Ringel to the Planning Commission for a term to expire on May 19, 2018.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment Re: Mr. Dean Petschar

Stanchina supported the reappointment of Mr. Dean Petschar to the Zoning Board of Appeals. He informed the City Council that there are currently two vacancies on the Board.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Revord to appoint Mr. Dean Petschar to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire on June 20, 2018.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Year-End Budget Amendment

Bartolameolli detailed the Year-End Budget Amendment.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to approve the Year-End Budget Amendment, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Road Closure Re: Dickinson County Library's Summer Reading Program

Stanchina expressed the opinion that he had no objection to the closing of Iron Mountain Street for the library's reading event and that the City should not provide barricades.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the closure of Iron Mountain Street for the Dickinson County Library on June 19th and July 1st, between 9:30 and 11:30 AM, provided the Dickinson County Library provides the barricades.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of 2015/16 Fee Schedule

Stanchina presented the proposed 2015/16 Fee Schedule. Alessandrini suggested that the new open-air pavilion at City Park be available for rent. Stanchina voiced the concern that renting the open-air pavilion could reduce rental fees on the park's main pavilion. Moraska agreed that there could be a decrease in the main pavilion's revenue. He communicated that certain items in the park should also be offered at no additional cost.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the 2015/16 Fee Schedule, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Authorization to Establish a Bank Account Re: 44 North

Stanchina explained that the City is required to open a bank account for the Seamless HRA Wrap fees.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to authorize the establishment of a bank account at the First National Bank for the purpose of funding the City's high-deductible health insurance wrap.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Consideration of Noise Waiver Re: Relay for Life

Stanchina imparted a request by the American Cancer Society for a noise waiver on June 19th and 20th for the Relay for Life event to be held at the Iron Mountain Athletic Field.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Villa to approve a noise waiver for the American Cancer Society for a noise waiver on June 19th and 20th for the Relay for Life event to be held at the Iron Mountain Athletic Field, pending the neighbors are notified.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

May Claims and Payroll

Stanchina clarified that invoice for \$1,677 to Timberline Trees was for the purchase of trees through the City's tree program. He asserted that the overtime will be decreasing in the Police Department in the near future due to the open position being filled.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to approve Payroll in the amount of \$332,778.09 and Claims in the amount of \$616,875.65 with net claims being \$359,914.94.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

City Manager Reports

Retiree Insurance Amendment Meeting

Stanchina announced that there will be a meeting for the retirees on June 16, 2015, to discuss the high-deductible health insurance wrap.

City Park Skate Park

Stanchina reported that the skate ramps will be painted soon.

YMCA

Stanchina updated the City Council on the status of the YMCA's proposed land purchase.

River Avenue

Stanchina indicated that it would be preferable to do a vacation for the City-Owned property formerly used as River Avenue and sign an agreement with the State that would guarantee the amount of parking spaces for the Chamber of Commerce.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

None

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

None

Closed Session Re: City Manager Evaluation

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Villa to move into Closed Session at 7:48 p.m.

Moraska Aye

Alessandrini Aye

Blomquist Aye

List Aye

Villa Aye

Revord Aye

Coe Aye

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

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Closed Session ended at 8:13 p.m.

Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Isaac P. Micheau". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "I".

Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer