

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, August 3, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

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

Absent: Council Member Villa

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Pirkola

Approval of Agenda

Alessandrini requested that "Approval of Skate Park Hours" be added as item seven under New Business. It was moved by Moraska and supported by Coe to approve the agenda, as amended.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 20, 2015

Moraska noted that Villa was absent at the last meeting and therefore could not support the motion to approve the agenda. It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the minutes of July 20, 2015, as amended.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

Mary Ann Corombos – 1115 Wells Street

Corombos expressed her appreciation for the efforts Kiwanis is making to improve the 25 Location tot lot.

Old Business

Bid Opening Re: 2015 Paving

Stanchina opened the following bids:

	Paving w/tri-axial geo grid	Alternate w/bi-axial geo grid
Bacco Construction Iron Mountain, MI	\$446,968.40	-\$5,670.00

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to accept the bid from Bacco Construction, contingent upon the specifications being met and the Infrastructure Committee making a determination on the use of bi-axial or tri-axial geo grid..

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Bid Opening Re: Resurfacing of North Side Tennis Court

Stanchina opened the following bids:

Fahrner Asphalt Sealers \$20,440.60

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to refer the bid to staff.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Bid Opening Re: One-Ton Pickup Truck and Dump Box for DPW and Pickup Truck for the Water Department

Stanchina imparted that the City utilizes the State bid and that it will be considered with the submitted bids. He opened the following bids:

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	1 Ton/Base	1 Ton/Dump Box	¾ Ton/Base	¾ Ton/Options	½ Ton/Base	½ Ton/Options
Town and Country Motors	24,335	31,985	21,983	22,927		
Edwards Automotive		33,655.80		25,797		22,771.60
Riverside Auto Sales			22,771		19,652	21,737

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

New Business

Appointment to the City Civil Service Commission Re: Joint Employee/Council Appointment

Stanchina conveyed that Dave Farragh is currently the joint employee/City Council appointment to the City Civil Service Commission and that the employees support his reappointment to the position.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Moraska to appoint Dave Farragh to the City Civil Service Commission for at term to expire on August 1, 2018.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Payment Approval Re: Fire Department Turnout Gear

Stanchina presented a request for payment approval for Fire Department turnout gear. He relayed that the request could not wait until the next meeting due to grant requirements.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Revord to purchase turnout gear for the Fire Department in the amount of 9,948.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Request for Proposals Re: Engineering Consultant for 1400 and 1500 Blocks of West Hughitt Street

Stanchina outlined a request to authorize a Request for Proposal for an engineering consultant for the 1400 and 1500 Blocks of West Hughitt Street improvement project.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to authorize a Request for Proposal for an engineering consultant for the 1400 and 1500 Blocks of West Hughitt Street improvement project.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Authorization to Solicit Quotes Re: Tree Cutting

Stanchina recommended that the City Council authorize City staff to solicit quotes for tree cutting, stump removal and lawn restoration services, given the cost of performing the task in-house.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Coe to authorize the City staff to solicit quotes and run an advertisement for tree cutting, stump removal and lawn restoration services.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Consideration of Resolution Re: Redevelopment Ready Community

Stanchina offered a resolution, engaging the City of Iron Mountain in the Redevelopment Ready Communities program, for City Council approval. He explained the advantages of participating in the program.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Blomquist to adopt the proposed Redevelopment Ready Communities resolution.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Resolution and Guidelines Re: Deer Management Program

Stanchina reviewed the resolutions and guidelines regarding the City's annual deer management program. He confirmed that hunting will only be permitted on City property through the deer management program.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Coe to adopt the 2015 Deer Management Program resolution and guidelines and waive the \$15.00 land use fee.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Skate Park Hours

Stanchina asked that the City Council set the skate park's hours be from park open, currently 6:00 A.M., to 9:00 P.M.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to set the hours for the skate park's hours from 6:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Reports

Financial Reports

None

City Manager Reports

Iron Mountain High School Traffic Flow

Stanchina communicated that it would be preferable to reverse the flow of traffic on Stockbridge from Hughitt Street to West "B" Street and keep it a one-way road; remove the limited no parking signs from the North Side of West "A" street between Prospect and Stockbridge Ave.; allow parking on the North side of West "A" Street; and remove the two hour parking sign in the 200 Block of West "B" Street.

Bob Badini – 413 W. A Street

Badini supported the changes to the traffic flow due to the likelihood of improving stacking issues in the alley adjacent to his home.

Stanchina verified that he would be taking precautions due to the signs being switched.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the amendments to the traffic flow around the Iron Mountain High School, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Skate Park Update

Stanchina updated the City Council on the status of the skate park's installation.

25 Location playground improvements

Stanchina indicated that the improvements are underway and that the primary play structure will be installed next year.

Wood Pile at DPW

Revord expressed the opinion that the brush pile behind the DPW building may need to be addressed. Stanchina asserted that there have been issues regarding the removal of brush and delivery of wood chips. He clarified that the cost of a wood chipper is prohibitive.

Land Bank Letter

Alessandrini detailed a correspondence from Lorna Carrey, Dickinson County Treasurer, regarding the holding of local auctions or the establishment of a land bank. He stressed the importance of holding local auctions. Alessandrini communicated that he invited Carrey to attend a conference at no charge to the County. Revord reiterated Alessandrini's sentiments regarding the establishment of a land bank. Revord and Moraska concluded that more publicity needs to be given to this concern.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Alessandrini stated that the Dickinson County Construction Code Commission met and that the minutes are included in the packet.

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

List thanked the Chief Juvenile Officer for arranging the painting of the equipment at the North Side playground.

Revord and Moraska offered their condolences to Dick Abraham's family.

Alessandrini reported that Larry Nelson, DPW employee, is recovering in Milwaukee.

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Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 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