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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, December 21, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Maule, List, Revord, Stohl, Coe & Blomquist

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina, Chief Financial Officer Lieburn & Assistant City Attorney Cavaliere

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Stohl and supported by Revord to approve the agenda, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 7, 2015

It was moved by Coe and supported by List to approve the minutes of December 7, 2015, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

None

Special Presentation

Audit Presentation Re: Year Ended June 30, 2015

Scott Sternhagen, Manager from Schenck SC presented the City's annual audit for the period ending June 30, 2015.

Stanchina explained the unanticipated one-time revenue and operational savings. Alessandrini questioned the City Council expenditures line item. The Council discussed the City's unfunded pension liability. Sternhagen announced that the City was given an unmodified opinion.

Old Business

None

New Business

Consideration of Special Use Permit Re: 620 Vulcan Street

Stanchina detailed the application by Mr. Seever regarding a Special Use Permit application to operate a small engine repair business in an area zoned B1. Blomquist noted that the Planning Commission felt the use would deviate from the character of neighborhood, would require too many stipulations and would set a negative precedence. Stanchina imparted that Seever could utilize the building for any use that is permitted by right with only staff approval.

It was moved by Coe and supported by Revord to deny the application by Mr. Seever regarding a Special Use Permit application to operate a small engine repair business at 620 Vulcan Street.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Payment Re: Ford F350 Town and Country

Stanchina requested that payment for the F350 the City purchased be made prior to the end of the year. He conveyed that if the City Council approved the check, it would not be given to Town and Country until the truck is received and reviewed by City staff.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to approve the payment in the amount of \$31,985 to Town and Country for an F350, contingent upon the completion upon the truck meeting the City mechanic's bid specification review.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Adoption of Resolution Re: Grass Cutting Special Assessment

Stanchina indicated that the proposed special assessment for the remediation of noxious weeds is old but collectable, as the properties ownership has not changed.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by List to approve a single lot assessment for the remediation of noxious weeds for the property located at 803 W. C Street, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

November Claims and Payroll

Stanchina relayed that the City had to pay the County Clerk for the City election in November, hire a contractor to repair the retaining wall on Ludington Street and that the DDA sent out volunteer appreciation gift cards. He informed the City Council that the DPW overtime was due to leaf collection.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Maule to approve Payroll in the amount of \$304,423.93 and Claims in the amount of \$882,159.66 with net claims being \$832,200.01.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

City Manager Reports

Deer Management

Stanchina reported that 61 deer have been harvested through the City's annual deer management program.

Edelweiss Coffee Project

Stanchina notified the City Council that Edelweiss Coffee is relocating adjacent to the hillside behind their current location due to future hospital expansion.

DPW Plastics Recycling Container

Stanchina stated that the recycling container has been relocated outside of the fenced area at the DPW facility, allowing 24 hour access. Revord stressed the importance of the bailer increasing practical hours of operation.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Infrastructure Committee

Stanchina communicated that status of the sale of City property to M.J. Electric and that issues with the Lake Antoine weir were discussed.

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

Maule, List, Revord, Stohl and Alessandrini wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Revord and Alessandrini congratulated City staff on a successful audit and fiscal year.

Stanchina updated the City Council on the status of the SAW Grant and Recreation plan.

The City Council discussed the zoning within the area of the former Stables Bar.

Coe voiced his appreciation for the Cub Scout Pack 510's efforts to clean up City Park.

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Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 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