

## *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, February 1, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

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

Absent: Council Members Blomquist

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & Assistant City Attorney Cavalieri

### **Approval of Agenda**

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval of Minutes**

*Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 18, 2016*

It was moved by Revord and supported by Maule to approve the minutes of January 18, 2016, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

#### **Authorization to Solicit Two-Year Audit Proposals**

Stanchina explained that the City must solicit proposals for a financial audit every two years. He noted that the City has utilized Schenck SC for the last two years and that the final year was at a cost of \$15,350.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Maule to authorize the City Manager to solicit two-year audit proposals.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Authorization to Solicit Bids Re: 2016 Dodge Charger AWD Police Package**

Stanchina informed the City Council that the typical Rural Development grant the City receives to help purchase a squad car was not funded by the federal government. He conveyed the importance of purchasing one car per year, in order to maintain the vehicles rotation, and that there are ample funds available to purchase a 2016 Dodge Charger AWD Police Package without the grant. He indicated that bids would be opened at the regular City Council meeting on March 7, 2016.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Alessandrini to authorize the City Manager to solicit bids for a 2016 Dodge Charger AWD Police Package.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Discussion of Consolidating Election Polling Places**

Stanchina presented a proposal by the City Clerk/Treasurer to move Ward 1 and Ward 2 from City Hall to Bay College West's Fornetti Hall. Alessandrini highlighted that voting would be quicker at Fornetti Hall. Stanchina clarified that approximately 60 Ward 1 voters on Breitung Township School Questions at the Bay College location due to annexation. Revord imparted that moving the election would inconvenience voters due to its location and potentially decrease spending in the downtown. Micheau stressed the importance of having available parking on Election Day.

Maule suggested the YMCA as a potential voting location. Micheau verified that Bay College has offered the City a five-year standing reservation.

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Revord asked if there was a plan for traffic safety at the non-traffic controlled intersections adjacent to the Bay College West parking lot due to increased usage. List offered the suggestion that additional young voters may utilize the Bay College West facility. Alessandrini and Maule communicated their desire to gain citizen input on this issue. Stanchina relayed that the County Clerk and Bay College West's Facility Manager have voiced their support for the relocation. Micheau stated that the chair people from each ward that would be moving are also in support of this proposal. He outlined the proposed plan to increase voting booth availability and staffing flexibility due to all the wards being located in Fornetti Hall. Alessandrini suggested that the Council take resident input for the next month and then revisit the issue.

Revord questioned the validity of using the gymnasium attached to Central School.

**No Action Taken**

**Reports**

**Financial Reports**

None

**City Manager Reports**

*Five-Year Recreation Plan*

Stanchina presented a copy of an online survey he created for the Five-Year Recreation Plan. He announced that it would be available on the City's website and initially run from February 2, 2016, to February 16, 2016. Maule expressed the opinion that advertising would help increase the amount of responses.

*Falcon Swearing In/Meet-and-Greet Ceremony*

Stanchina invited the City Council and public to a meet-and-greet with Falcon on February 2, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

**City Attorney Reports**

Cavalieri reported on the termination of Withers' tower lease and their subsequent tower removal.

**Committee Reports**

None

**Public Comment**

*Virginia Feleppa – 1136 Crystal Lake Blvd.*

She voiced her support for the relocation of Ward 1 and Ward 2 to the Bay College West facility.

**Council Member Privilege**

Coe encouraged the public to attend Falcon's meet-and-greet.


Alessandrini detailed the Dickinson County Construction Code Commission report for the 2015 calendar year.

**Adjournment**

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

  
Isaac Micheau  
Clerk-Treasurer