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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, June 6, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

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

Absent: Council Member Coe

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Pirkola

Approval of Agenda

Alessandrini requested that “Approval of Pay Request #1 for DPW Roof Replacement Re: Lake State Roofing” and “Consideration of Lighting Upgrades” be added as items ten and eleven, respectively, under New Business.

It was moved by Maule and supported by List to approve the agenda, as amended.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by List and supported by Maule to approve the minutes of May 16, 2016, and May 25, 2016, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

Brian Smeester – Kingsford, MI

Smeester announced that he has launched a new website, CVC of Dickinson County, which addresses the expenditure of tax revenue within Dickinson County. He voiced his support for Iron Mountain’s efforts to consolidate police and fire protection efforts.

Loraine Kelly – 615 E. B Street

Kelly asserted her objection to the harvesting of timber on the City’s Millie Hill property.

Marsha Bonicatto – 738 E. A Street

Bonicatto raised several concerns regarding the logging of City property on Millie Hill.

Michael Benvenuto -417 6th Street

Benvenuto offered his appreciation for patching the alley. He noted several areas within his neighborhood that requires attention from the City Code Enforcement Officer and some additional pot holes.

Old Business

None

New Business

Consideration of Rate Increase Request Re: IM-K Joint Sewage Board

Stanchina informed the City Council that there was a significant decrease in revenue to the Iron Mountain-Kingsford Joint Sewage Board due to efficiency upgrades at Grede Foundries and that the rate must be increased to cover operation and maintenance costs at the sewage plant.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Blomquist to approve an increase in the sewage rate by \$.13 per 1,000 gallons (\$1.00 per 1,000 cuft.) or 5%.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Approval of Payment for 2016 Dodge Charger AWD Re: Riverside Automotive

Stanchina notified the City Council that the 2016 Dodge Charger AWD has arrived and has passed inspection. He explained that Kingsford received a Rural Development Grant before the City of Iron Mountain due to having a lower household income.

It was moved by Stohl and supported by List to approve a payment to Riverside Automotive for the 2016 Dodge Charger AWD at a cost of \$24,680.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Consideration of Parade Route and Contribution Re: 4th of July Parade

Stanchina detailed a request from A.C.E. (Americans for Constitutional Enforcement) for a \$280.50 donation toward liability insurance and the closure of the July 4, 2016, parade route.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Alessandrini to approve a donation to A.C.E. (Americans for Constitutional Enforcement) for a \$280.50 toward liability insurance and the closure of Woodward Avenue from the city limits east to Carpenter Avenue, Carpenter Avenue from Woodward Avenue to H Street and H Street from Carpenter Avenue to the Midtown Mall entrance beginning at 9:00 a.m. on July 4, 2016.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Donation Re: July 4th Fireworks Show

Stanchina stated that \$500 had been budgeted for this donation.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Maule to approve a \$500 contribution toward the annual Fourth of July fireworks show.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Service Agreement Amendment Re: PJ Kortens

Stanchina outlined the proposed Service Agreement Amendment for PJ Kortens.

It was moved by Revord and supported by List to approve the "Revised Service Agreement 2016" with PJ Kortens in the amount of \$365 per month.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of a Contribution for Lake Antoine Eurasian Milfoil Treatment

Stanchina presented a request by the Lake Antoine Association for a \$3,500 contribution to retard the growth of Eurasian Milfoil in Lake Antoine.

It was moved by List and supported by Blomquist to contribute \$3,500 to the Lake Antoine Association to retard the growth of Eurasian Milfoil.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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

Stanchina conveyed that the 2016 fireworks display will be the same as it was in 2015.

It was moved by Stohl and supported by Alessandrini to approve a Fireworks Display Permit for the Spielbauer Fireworks Company for July 4, 2016.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reserve the Maki Pavilion for the Annual Finnish Americans' Picnic

Stanchina relayed that the donor of the Maki Pavilion was active in the Finnish Americans' Border Group organization and that they are requesting to reserve the Maki Pavilion on June 25, 2016, for the annual Finnish Americans' Border Group Picnic.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to reserve the Maki Pavilion on June 25, 2016, for the annual Finnish Americans' Border Group Picnic.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Planning Commission Appointment Re: Mr. Mark Klossner

Stanchina recommended the approval of Mr. Mark Klossner to the Planning Commission.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Stohl to appoint Mr. Mark Klossner to the Planning Commission for a term to expire on May 19, 2019.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Approval of Pay Request #1 for DPW Roof Replacement Re: Lake State Roofing

Stanchina submitted a pay request from Lake State Roofing for the replacement of the Department of Public Works facility roof in the amount of \$46,128. He indicated that a portion of the roof has to be constructed to cover an air exchanger that has a propensity to let in water.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Alessandrini to approve pay request number one to Lake State Roofing for the replacement of the Department of Public Works facility roof in the amount of \$46,128.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Consideration of Lighting Upgrades

Stanchina reviewed lighting upgrade options for City Hall and the Police and Fire building. He imparted that the payback period for City Hall will be less than two years and the Police and Fire facility is less than six months. Pirkola verified that there is no requirement to bid the project out.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Blomquist to authorize the upgrading of the City Hall and Police and Fire building lights by Positive E Energy, as quoted by quotes numbered 506161635 and 511161400.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

None

City Manager Reports

“Dark Store” Legislation (HB 5578) and Tax Tribunal Filings

Stanchina updated the City Council on potential tax tribunal cases and the current status of the proposed dark store legislation. Alessandrini questioned whether or not the 50% tax abatement would be nullified by a tax reduction at the tribunal. Revord expressed the opinion that it is too early to tell if there is need for concern.

City Attorney Reports

Pirkola reported on the status of the Withers tower removal.

Committee Reports

Labor Relations

Stohl confirmed that he can make early morning meetings.

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

Stohl recognized the 72nd anniversary of D-Day

Alessandrini read a letter of appreciation from a citizen regarding their positive experience with the Water Department. He highlighted the need to focus on long grass enforcement.

Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.



Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer