

# *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, July 18, 2016 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 and Chief Financial Officer Lieburn

## **Approval of Agenda**

Alessandrini requested that "Approval of Street Closures: First National Bank Half-Marathon" be added as item number 14 under "New Business" and that the Public Hearings regarding "Vacate a Portion of Unimproved Crowell St. and Grand Blvd." and "Vacate a Portion of Unimproved Smith St." be moved to items five and six under "New Business", respectively, adjusting the remaining items accordingly.

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

## **Approval of Minutes**

*Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 5, 2016*

It was moved by Maule and supported by List to approve the minutes of July 5, 2016, as presented.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

## **Public Comment**

Mr. Dale Labalme – Chapter 1879 of The Military Order of the Purple Heart representative

Labalme offered the City of Iron Mountain the opportunity to participate in being a Purple Heart City, at no cost.

Alessandrini conveyed that the Council would take it under advisement for the next regular City Council meeting.

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

### **Consideration of Special Use Permit Re: Blue Roof Management, LLC (Culvers)**

Stanchina presented the Special Use request by Blue Roof Management for a drive-through restaurant, named Culver's, at the property adjacent to 2005 S. Stephenson Ave. Alessandrini welcomed Culver's to the City of Iron Mountain.

It was moved by Stohl and supported by Revord to approve a Special Use Permit for Blue Roof Management for a drive-through restaurant at the property adjacent to 2005 S. Stephenson Ave.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Consideration of Special Use Permit Re: Mrs. Tria Wedge, 1640 S. Park Ave.**

Stanchina imparted a request by Ms. Tria Wedge for a Special Use Permit for a home occupation of licensed massage therapy at 1640 S. Park Avenue.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Alessandrini to approve a Special Use Permit for a home occupation for Ms. Tria Wedge for licensed massage therapy at 1640 S. Park Avenue.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

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**Consideration of Special Use Permit Re: Ms. Roxanne Raiche, 601 East E Street**

Stanchina outlined a request by Ms. Roxanne Raiche for a Special Use Permit for a home occupation of a daycare of six or less children at 601 E. E Street. He stated that the monitoring of Special Use Permits is complaint-based.

It was moved by Coe and supported by Blomquist to approve a Special Use Permit for a home occupation of a daycare of six or less children at 601 E. E Street, contingent upon the Planning Commission's stipulations and subject to review if conditions warrant.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Consideration of Special Use Permit Re: Mr. Danny Hansen**

Stanchina presented a request by Mr. Danny Hansen for a Special Use Permit for a temporary structure at 2025 S. Stephenson Avenue.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by List to approve a ten-year Special Use Permit for Danny Hansen to construct a temporary structure to sell fruits and vegetables at 2025 S. Stephenson Ave. contingent upon adjacent property being impacted and subject to an annual review.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Public Hearing Re: Vacate a Portion of Unimproved Crowell St. and Grand Blvd.**

Stanchina presented a vacation request from Mr. Robert Whiting regarding a portion of unimproved Crowell St. and Grand Blvd.

Alessandrini opened the Public Hearing.

No comment was offered

Alessandrini closed the Public Hearing.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Stohl to vacate 130' of the unimproved Crowell Street to the north of Grand Boulevard and a section of the Grand Boulevard right-of-way located between Grand Boulevard and Crowell Street of the plat of Kimberly's Fifth.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Public Hearing Re: Vacate a Portion of unimproved Smith St.**

Alessandrini recused himself from the Public Hearing regarding this agenda item due to a conflict of interest relating to his vacation request.

Revord, Mayor Pro Tem, opened the Public Hearing.

*Joe Cerasoli - 1001 E. Blaine St.*

He objected to the proposed vacation on the basis that he would lose access to his property.

*Bob Mellon - 1303 E. Grant St.*

He supported the vacation of the 140' of Smith Street that is being considered for vacation. Mellon raised the concern that the property Smith Street would lead to may be considered a wetland.

*Eric Tedeschi - 1005 Blaine St.*

Tedeschi relayed his concerns regarding access to his property.

Stanchina reviewed the vacation request by Mr. Dale Alessandrini regarding the vacation of 140' of unimproved Smith Street. He noted that the area is a flood plain and that building it up may affect adjoining property owners. Blomquist highlighted that lot number eleven would lose access if the street is vacated.

Revord closed the Public Hearing.

It was moved by Stohl and supported by Coe to vacate 140' of Smith Street right-of-way adjacent to lot 10 of block 4 and lot 6 of block 5, including the east ten feet of the alley running south to north through blocks 4 and 5 of the plat of Lakeside Amended.

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Maule                   Aye  
Stohl                   Aye  
Revord                 Aye  
List                    Aye  
Blomquist            Nay  
Coe                    Aye  
Alessandrini         Abstain

**Motion Prevailed** (Aye-5, Nay-1, Abstain-1)

**Consideration of Purchasing City-Owned Real Estate Re: MJ Electric**

Stanchina detailed a request by M.J. Electric to purchase .127 acres of City-owned property located to the north of Railroad Street. He indicated that \$3,300 would be a fair price for the property and that the next step would be to set a Public Hearing for August 15, 2016, at 6:30 PM.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Revord to set a Public Hearing for the sale of .127 acres of City-owned property located to the north of Railroad Street to MJ Electric on August 15, 2016, at 6:30 PM

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Approval of Parking Lot Closure Re: Italian Fest**

Stanchina presented the requests for a parking lot closure, noise ordinance waiver and liquor license approval for the Downtown Development Authority's annual Italian Fest event.

It was moved by Coe and supported by Maule to close the parking lot adjacent to East A, Iron Mountain and Hughitt Streets from 7:00 AM on August 19, 2016, through 10:00 AM on August 21, 2016.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Approval of Noise Ordinance Waiver Re: Italian Fest**

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by List to authorize a noise ordinance waiver until 12:00 AM on August 19, 2016, and August 20, 2016.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Approval of Special Event Liquor License Re: Italian Fest**

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Stohl to approve a Special Liquor License on August 19, 2016, from 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM and August 20, 2016, from 12 PM to 12:00 AM.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Approval of Parking Lot Closure Re: Oktoberfest**

Stanchina presented the requests for a parking lot closure, noise ordinance waiver and liquor license approval for the Downtown Development Authority's annual Oktoberfest event.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by List close the parking lot adjacent to East A, Iron Mountain and Hughitt Streets from 12:00 PM on September 23, 2016, through 10:00 AM on September 25, 2016.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Approval of Noise Ordinance Waiver Re: Oktoberfest**

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by List to authorize a noise ordinance waiver until 12:00 AM on September 24, 2016.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Approval of Special Event Liquor License Re: Oktoberfest**

Stanchina verified that the liquor license is for only one day.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Maule to approve a Special Liquor License on September 24, 2016, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 AM.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

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**Approval of Street Closures: First National Bank Half-Marathon**

Stanchina submitted a request by the First National Bank for street closures during their 4<sup>th</sup> annual half-marathon. It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Maule to close East A Street between Stephenson Avenue and the west curb of Iron Mountain Street and Iron Mountain Street from A Street to Hughitt Street between 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM and the east lane of Stephenson Avenue from A Street to Third Street between 8:45 am and 9:30 am on September 10, 2016.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Reports**

**Financial Reports**

**June Claims and Payroll**

Alessandrini abstained as his greenhouse sold the Downtown Development Authority flowers. It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Maule to approve Payroll in the amount of \$298,798.99 and Claims in the amount of \$718,823.78 with net claims being \$570,983.88.

List	Aye
Stohl	Aye
Revord	Aye
Maule	Aye
Blomquist	Aye
Coe	Aye
Alessandrini	Abstain

**Motion Prevailed** (Aye-6, Nay-0, Abstain-1)

**City Manager Reports**

*Tax Tribunal Issues*

Stanchina reported on the Michigan Association of Counties summit regarding the Michigan Tax Tribunal he had attended. He informed the City Council that he will be presenting a letter of engagement between the City of Iron Mountain and Mr. Jack Van Coevering for their approval in the event his services are required regarding tax tribunal issues. Stanchina asserted that the City would have the ability to do an appraisal on the properties that have filed tax tribunal petitions.

*Crystal Lake Boulevard Utility Project/Hughitt Street Project*

Stanchina notified the City Council that the Crystal Lake Boulevard project is substantially complete and that the Hughitt Street project will begin soon.

*Sister City Info.*

Stanchina explained the process of establishing a sister city.

*Annual Paving Program*

Stanchina stated that he is going to be compiling paving specifications now that the Crystal Lake Boulevard Utility Project is complete.

**City Attorney Reports**

None

**Committee Reports**

None

**Public Comment**

None

**Council Member Privilege**

Blomquist and Coe congratulated those involved with Saturday in the Park on a successful event.

Stohl suggested that staff reviews take place prior to raises being approved.

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Alessandrini reported on the recent Saturday in the Park event. He conveyed the idea of utilizing burros to cull predatory animals within the deer pen at City Park.

**Adjournment**

It was moved by Stohl and supported by Coe to adjourn.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 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