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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, December 19, 2016 at 6:32 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

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

Absent: Council Member Maule

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

Approval of Agenda

Alessandrini requested that "Payment Request #5 for Bacco Construction" be added to the agenda as item number 10 under New Business.

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of December 5, 2016

It was moved by Coe and supported by Revord to approve the Regular and Special Meetings' minutes of December 5, 2016, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

None

Presentations

Audit Presentation

Shane Ellison from Anderson Tackman presented a review of the Annual Financial Audit.

Old Business

Bid Opening Re: City Timber Sales

Stanchina opened and read bids received for the City's timber harvest on 80 acres of Millie Hill and 40 acres east of Timberstone Golf Course. Brock VanOss was present to answer questions by the Council.

Bids received for Millie Hill: Frank's Logging: \$47,302.80; Minerick Logging: \$52,086.50; J. Carey Logging \$36,208.89; Triest Forest Products \$44,616.00.

Bids received for the location east of Timberstone Golf Course: Wender Logging: \$33,375.10; Minerick Logging: \$45,375.25; J. Carey Logging: \$27,186.29; L.P. (Louisiana-Pacific): \$36,726.92; Shamco Inc.: \$35,317.27; Frank's Logging: \$34,981.00.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to award Bid #1-Millie Hill to Minerick Logging for \$45,375.25 and Bid #2-Timberstone also to Minerick Logging for \$52,086.80, contingent upon Mr. Brock VanOss's review of all bid details.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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New Business

Consideration of Private Wells Request Re: 824 & 826 Spring St.

Stanchina outlined a request from property owners at 824 and 826 Spring Street seeking Council permission to install private wells. Stanchina noted that the locations are connected to the City's main via a 505' private water line that passes through approximately 175' of Romagnoli's parking lot. Stanchina informed the Council that the water line is currently leaking and, due to the hardship of replacing the entire water line, the homeowners are requesting permission to install private wells as an alternative. Stanchina noted that other homes adjacent to these homes currently have private wells and that the City does not intend to install water mains within this area in the future.

It was moved by Revord and supported by List to grant permission to the homeowners of 824 and 826 Spring Street to install private wells.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Resolution to Proceed with the Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Program

Stanchina outlined the resolution needed to proceed with the RRC Program. Stanchina informed the Council that the resolution is only a resolution recognizing the report and showing the intention to work toward addressing the items found within the report. Stanchina noted that the report outlines items that the City needs to change in order to become an RRC certified community.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Blomquist to approve the "Resolution to proceed with the Redevelopment Ready Communities program of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation."

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Performance Resolution for Governmental Agencies Re: MDOT

Stanchina informed the Council that the Attorney General's office added some language to the "Performance Resolution for Government Agencies" to protect the State when a local government agency hires a contractor to perform work within an MDOT right-of-way. Stanchina noted that the language doesn't change anything the City already requires of contractors.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Coe to approve the "Performance Resolution for Government Agencies."

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Establish a Public Hearing Re: Rezoning for the Village of Lake Antoine Plat

Stanchina outlined a Planning Commission recommendation to rezone a predominately residential area in the Plat of The Village of Lake Antoine from Business-2 to Residential-2. Stanchina noted that during the last five years there have been a number of single family homes built requiring variances and a current interest from prospective buyers to purchase a lot for a single-family residence.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Alessandrini to set a Public Hearing to rezone a portion of the plat of The Village of Lake Antoine from B-2 to R-2 on January 16, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Participation in the Federal Excess Property program Re: MIDNR

Stanchina outlined the Federal Excess Property program which can provide needed firefighting equipment at no cost. Stanchina informed the Council that accepting the offered equipment is optional and the City is not required to take equipment that it does not want. Stanchina noted that participation requires a Cooperative Mutual Aid Fire Control Agreement with the MIDNR but that since we are almost all residential within our boundaries that the City would likely already be on any fire scene within the jurisdiction. Stanchina discussed the need for a ladder truck which this program may be able to provide.

It was moved by List and supported by Revord to approve the application to participate in the Federal Excess Property Program and to adopt the Cooperative Mutual Aid Fire Control Agreement.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Amendments to Dickinson County Solid Waste Management Plan

Stanchina informed the Council that the Dickinson County Solid Waste Management Planning Committee reviewed the Solid Waste Management Plan and recommended a number of changes. Stanchina noted two clerical changes and an amendment that would allow waste to be landfilled in Delta, Menominee, Ontonagon, Schoolcraft and Alger Counties instead of 100% to Alger County, as a possible future option.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Stohl to approve the proposed amendments to the Dickinson County Solid Waste Management Plan.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Payment for Riverside Auto and Truck Sales Re: 2017 AWD Dodge Charger

Stanchina informed the Council that Riverside was the low bidder at \$24,395 for a new 2017 AWD Dodge Charger squad car.

It was moved by List and supported by Alessandrini to authorize the payment of \$24,395 to Riverside Auto and Truck Sales for a 2017 AWD Dodge Charger.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Authorization to Purchase Re: Thermal Imager

Stanchina discussed the need to replace the City's thermal imager. Stanchina explained the effort of Deputy Director Jeff Friedenstab who applied for and was awarded a \$6,000 grant through the Firefighters Support Foundation to purchase a new thermal imager. Stanchina included three price quotes with the lowest price of \$6,000 from Pomasl Fire Equipment Inc. Stanchina recommended the purchase of a Flir K55 Thermal Imager Camera Kit with Truck Mount Charger from Pomasl Fire Equipment Inc. for \$6,000.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Stohl to approve the purchase of a Flir K55 Thermal Imager Camera Kit with Truck Mount Charger from Pomasl Fire Equipment Inc. for \$6,000.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Payment Application #5 Bacco Construction Re: Crystal Lake Blvd Utility Upgrade Project

Stanchina presented Payment Application #5 from Bacco Construction for the Crystal Lake Blvd Utility Upgrade Project.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Coe to approve Payment Application #5 from Bacco Construction for the Crystal Lake Blvd Utility Upgrade Project in the amount of \$11,411.75.

Reports

Financial Reports

November Claims and Payroll

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Stohl to approve Payroll in the amount of \$361,770.42 and Claims in the amount of \$782,672.77 with net claims being \$708,450.94.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

City Manager Reports

Deer Management

Stanchina reported that 53 deer have been harvested in 2016.

O'Reilly Auto

Stanchina reported that City Assessor, Patti Roell, worked with O'Reilly Auto and was able to settle the Tax Tribunal Petition.

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Whithers Broadcasting Tower

Stanchina answered questions regarding the status of the tower on leased land that has been abandoned. The Council discussed whether the tower may have some minimal salvage value.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

The Parks and Recreation Committee met to discuss ideas for the Parks and Recreation Plan.

Public Comment

Virginia Feleppa – 1136 Crystal Lake Blvd.

Feleppa offered a reminder that trees are still available to purchase for the 2017 Tree Program extended through the 6th of January. Feleppa commended the Council for trying to encourage the communities to work together to find the best price for doing things as possible.

Council Member Privilege

Stohl wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Revord addressed Linda Lobeck (Daily News) in the gallery regarding the joint services question published in the newspaper. Lobeck responded that 80% of responders were in favor.

Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Sara L. Chandler
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer