

Regular Meeting of the Common Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room:

- Presiding: Mayor Tousignant
- Present: Council Members Burke, Tchokreff, Rigoni, VanLaanen and Caudell.
- Absent: Council Members Jacobs
- Also Present: City Atty. Pirkola

The agenda was approved with an addition as follow:

Agenda

- VIII. New Business
 - 4. Discussion of Sidewalk Policy

The minutes of the previous meeting of August 21, 2006 stand approved as submitted. **Minutes**

Public Comment

Robert Bouche, owner of Mayme’s Bar. – addressed the Council with his concerns pertaining to the sale of City property to Mr. Blomquist. Mr. Bouche would like to see the City maintain ownership of this property.

Marty Trepanier, 301 Smith St. – spoke on behalf of residents living on the 300 block of Smith St. and the 800 block of Norway St. regarding proposed new sidewalks on their blocks. On behalf of the residents, she requested that new sidewalks are not constructed on their blocks.

Public Hearing

A public hearing was opened for comments regarding the Subdivision Control Ordinance. No one came forward to comment and the public hearing was closed.

Subdivision Control

Old Business

Council Member Rigoni discussed a few additions he would like included in the ordinance. Approval of the Subdivision Control Ordinance failed due to lack of action. It was moved by Tousignant and supported by Tchokreff to reintroduce the Subdivision Control Ordinance after the Planning Board has had time to review and add language discussed by Council Member Rigoni.

Subdivision Control

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Bids were opened for local paving projects.

- 1. Northeast Ashpalt \$254,342.00
- 2. Bacco Construction Inc. \$246,605.50

Local Paving Projects

It was moved by Tchokreff and supported by VanLaanen to award the bid to Bacco Construction Inc. contingent on all bid requirements being met.

Motion prevailed to wit:

Ayes (5) Burke, VanLaanen, Tousignant, Tchokreff and Caudell

Nays (0)

Abs (1) Rigoni

Motion carries

New Business

It was moved by Burke and supported by Caudell to authorize suspension of the City noise ordinance for Carpenter Ave. reconstruction.

**Carpenter Ave.
Reconstruction**

Motion prevailed to wit:

Ayes (5) Burke, VanLaanen, Tousignant, Tchokreff and Caudell

Nays (0)

Abs (1) Rigoni

Motion carries

It was moved by VanLaanen and supported by Tchokreff to appoint members to the City Civil Service Commission.

**Committee
Appointments**

Motion prevailed unanimously.

It was moved by Tchokreff and supported by Burke to deny Breitung Township the sale of excess utility capacity

**Sale of Utility
Capacity**

Motion prevailed unanimously.

It was moved by Tousignant and supported by Rigoni to formally present Breitung Township with a 425 Agreement.

Motion prevailed to wit:

Ayes (4) Tousignant, Rigoni, Caudell and Tchokreff

Nays (2) VanLaanen, Burke

Motion carries

It was moved by Rigoni and supported by Caudell to refer to the executive committee a creation of a sidewalk policy. This recommendation was made based on previous comments of concerned residents during public comment.

**Sidewalk
Policy**

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Financial Reports

City Manager Reports

City Manger Marquart presented the following during his City Manager Report:

1. City Park Pavilion renovation has started.
2. Cool Cities designation went from 3 year to 5 years. The kickoff celebration will be on September 8 and the orientation will be September 19, 2006.
3. Environmental issues related to the proposed Blomquist development would be the responsibility of the developer.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

None

Public Comment

Marty Trepanier 301 E. Smith St. – thank the council for their cooperation with the proposed sidewalk issues.

Council Member Privilege

Council Member Tousignant noted the council should create a sidewalk policy to protect homeowners.

Council Member Privilege (Cont.)

Council Member Tchokreff commented on the home improvements he has noted on the Northside.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Stanchina", written over a horizontal line.

Jordan Stanchina
Clerk-Treasurer