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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, July 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via electronic meeting.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Schinderle, Maule, Revord, Blomquist, Clawson & Zemar

Absent: None

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

Approval of Agenda

Alessandrini requested that "Discussion of Item in Roadways" be added as item number nine under New Business. Stanchina asked that "Establish a Public Hearing for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Re: Boss Snowplow" be moved from item four of New Business to item one, adjusting the following items accordingly. It was moved by Maule and supported by Alessandrini to approve the agenda, as amended.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye-Schinderle, Blomquist, Clawson, Zemar, Alessandrini, Revord & Maule

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Schinderle to approve the minutes of July 6, 2020, as presented.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye- Maule, Schinderle, Blomquist, Clawson, Zemar, Alessandrini & Revord

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Public Comment

None

Old Business

Bid Opening Re: Well #3 Rehabilitation

Stanchina opened the following bids:

Kleiman Pump & Well Drilling	\$16,975.00
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It was moved by Revord and supported by Schinderle to award the Well #3 Rehabilitation project to Kleiman Pump & Well Drilling on a time and materials basis not to exceed \$16,975.00. Zemar did not vote due to technology issues.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye- Revord, Maule, Schinderle, Blomquist, Clawson & Alessandrini

Nay-None

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

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New Business

Establish a Public Hearing for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Re: Boss Snowplow

Stanchina reviewed the Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement Request by Boss Snowplow for their upcoming expansion. He imparted that the Council's next step would be to establish a public hearing.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Maule to establish a public hearing for an Industrial Facilities Exemption for the proposed addition at Boss Snowplow to be held on August 3, 2020, at 6:00 P.M.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye-Alessandrini, Revord, Maule, Schinderle, Blomquist, Clawson & Zemar

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Authorization to Solicit Bids Re: Tree Cutting

Stanchina conveyed that 20 City trees were removed earlier this year at approximately \$450.00 per tree. He estimated that the proposed project would be under \$10,000.00.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Schinderle to authorize the solicitation of bids for tree removal, as proposed, with bids being due by 4:00 P.M. and opened at 6:00 P.M. on August 3, 2020.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye- Zemar, Alessandrini, Revord, Maule, Schinderle, Blomquist & Clawson

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Approval of Dickinson County Interlocal Agreement for Designated Assessor

Stanchina indicated that the approval of a Dickinson County Interlocal Agreement for Designated Assessor is required by the State of Michigan.

It was moved by Clawson and supported by Maule to approve the Dickinson County Interlocal Agreement for Designated Assessor, as submitted.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye-Clawson, Zemar, Alessandrini, Revord, Maule, Schinderle & Blomquist

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Authorization to Solicit Sealed Bids Re: Well #4 Upgrades

Stanchina outlined the request to solicit bids for the replacement of a pump and valve at Well #4.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Maule to authorize the solicitation of bids to replace the existing Well #4 pump with a VFD and the failing CLA valve with a new check valve with bids to be due by 4:00 P.M. and opened at 6:00 P.M. on August 3, 2020.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye- Blomquist, Clawson, Zemar, Alessandrini, Revord, Maule & Schinderle

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Bid Award Re: Crack Fill City Owned Parking Lots

Stanchina recommended that Dun-Rite Asphalt be awarded the project to crack fill the City-owned parking lot at the Toro facility. He relayed that Fahrner Asphalt submitted an incomplete bid.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Zemar to award the crack filling, without mastic, of the City parking lot located at the Toro facility to Dun-Rite Asphalt at a cost of \$34,357.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye- Schinderle, Blomquist, Clawson, Zemar, Alessandrini, Revord & Maule

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Acceptance of Donation from Council Member Clawson Re: Council Pay to K9 Fund

Stanchina explained that it would save the cost of taxes if Council Member Clawson donated his council pay outside of the check process. He noted that Clawson will get a record of the amount donated. Clawson stated that he is a disabled veteran that does not pay property taxes and that he does not feel right taking pay when he does not pay in. Pirkola verified that Clawson does not have to abstain.

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It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Schinderle to accept Member Clawson's donation of his Council pay to the K9 Fund.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye-Revord, Maule, Schinderle, Blomquist, Clawson, Zemar & Alessandrini

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Authorization to Solicit Bids Re: Plate Compactor

Department of Public Works Director, Scott Thomas, informed the Council that the current compactor was purchased in 1997. Stanchina imparted that \$9,000 is budgeted for this purchase.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Maule to solicit bids for a plate compactor with bids to be due by 4:00 P.M. and opened at 6:00 P.M. on August 3, 2020.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye-Alessandrini, Revord, Maule, Schinderle, Blomquist, Clawson & Zemar

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

2020/2021 Economic Development Alliance Contribution

Stanchina expressed his support for the approval of an annual contribution to the Economic Development Alliance in the amount of \$5,000. Alessandrini communicated that he would like to see regular activity reports.

It was moved by Clawson and supported by Alessandrini to approve a contribution to the Economic Development Alliance in the amount of \$5,000.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye-Zemar, Alessandrini, Revord, Maule, Schinderle, Blomquist & Clawson

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

ATV Discussion

Alessandrini raised the issue of three-wheelers, four-wheeler and side-by-sides not adhering to the City's ordinances regarding equipment operation on City streets. He also asserted that portable basketball hoops must be placed in such a way as to be safe and not impede the roadway. Director of Police and Fire Services, Ed Mattson, conveyed that complaints are not making it to the Police Department and that he would have his staff watch for these violations. Stanchina noted that side-by-sides are less of an issue than other off-road vehicles. Alessandrini stressed that he is not against off-road vehicles being on City streets as long as they are used properly. Revord suggested that Mattson address local off-road organizations. Stanchina relayed that some use off-road vehicles to skirt not having a drivers license. Mattson stated that he will step up the requested enforcement.

Reports

Financial Reports

June Payroll and 6/11/2020-7/15/2020 Claims

Stanchina announced that payments for the 323 S. Stephenson Avenue redevelopment project will be passing through the City's payment system. Alessandrini abstained due to a payment being made to Grandma's Garden.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to approve Payroll in the amount of \$348,876.66 and Claims in the amount of \$525,866.54 with net claims being \$424,093.41.

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye-Clawson, Zemar, Revord, Maule, Schinderle & Blomquist

Nay-None

Abstain-Alessandrini

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

City Manager Reports

Sewer Extension

Stanchina notified the Council that 200' of sewer extension is being installed at a new home that is being built at 1100 E. Grant Street with the homeowner being responsible for the majority of the cost. He highlighted that additional home sites could connect to this line in the future.

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Public Safety and Public Health Payroll Reimbursement Program (PSPHPP)

Stanchina updated the City Council on the status of the City's Public Safety and Public Health Payroll Reimbursement Program submission.

Tax Foreclosed Properties

Stanchina reviewed the list of tax foreclosed properties.

COVID-19 Park Discussion

Clawson supported leaving bathrooms open if park amenities are available. Stanchina communicated that it would be preferable to reduce the time residents spend at parks. Revord relayed that City Park has not been noted by the Health Department as a source of COVID-19 infection. Stanchina explained the process the Health Department follows for identifying infection locations. Alessandrini asserted that it would be best to wait until the next meeting to act on this and see what is happening.

Marijuana Establishments

Revord requested a progress report on the status of the entities that were awarded medical and recreation marijuana licenses.

Ballot Question

Stanchina reported that local proposal language would have to be submitted to the County Clerk by August 11, 2020.

Brownfield Agreement

Stanchina updated the City Council on his research of the City-owned Toro parking lot's development history.

Post Whole Packet on Web

Blomquist suggested that the Council packets be placed on the City's website.

Alessandrini complimented Officer Solka for his Code Enforcement activities.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

None

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

Thomas clarified that all City trees which are slated for removal are in severe need of removal.

Maule thanked Stanchina for notifying everyone of the upcoming COVID-19 testing event and cautioned parents to remind medical staff to be gentle when testing their children.

Adjournment

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

Roll-call vote was taken:

Aye-, Blomquist, Clawson, Zemar, Alessandrini, Revord, Maule & Schinderle

Nay-None

Motion Prevailed (Aye-7, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 P.M.



Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer