

## *City of Iron Mountain*

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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via electronic meeting.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

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

Absent: Council Member Zemar

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Pirkola

### **Approval of Agenda**

It was moved by Maule and supported by Schinderle to approve the agenda, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Maule to approve the minutes of August 17, 2020, as presented.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

#### **Master Plan**

Stanchina detailed the amendments to the Master Plan and its approval process. Revord expressed the opinion that the plan could have more heavily covered consultation of services.

It was moved by Clawson and supported by Blomquist to move forward with the Master Plan approval process, specifically step four.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Date Use Agreement Re: SB 690 Water Assistance Program**

Stanchina presented the Water Assistance Program and noted that there is no cost to the City and that all applicable accounts will be credited automatically.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Schinderle to approve Data Use Agreement SB 690 Water Assistance Program, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Establish a Public Hearing Date Re: Purchase of Police Vehicle via Rural Development**

Stanchina highlighted a grant opportunity to purchase a new police vehicle, a 2021 Dodge Durango Pursuit, at a reduced cost through a Rural Development program. Director of Police and Fire Services, Ed Mattson, and Stanchina reviewed the amended vehicle assignments, pending a new vehicle is purchased.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Blomquist to hold a public hearing to allow for the purchasing of a 2021 Dodge Durango Pursuit via Rural Development on September 21, 2020, at 6:00 P.M.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Paving Wickman Drive**

Stanchina recommended paving Wickman Drive at an estimated cost of \$98,906.15 due to the low bid price, proximity and adjacent paving projects. He relayed that the project would be funded through next year's paving budget.

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It was moved by Maule and supported by Schinderle to approve the paving of Wickman Drive at a cost of \$98,901.15.

Roll-call vote was taken:

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

Nay-None

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

**Approval of Payment Application #1 Hebert Construction Re: West C St. Project**

Stanchina updated the City Council on the West C Street Utility Upgrade Project's progress and he requested that payment number one be approved in the amount of \$497,220.74.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to approve payment number one to Hebert Construction in the amount of \$497,220.74 for the West C Street Utility Upgrade Project.

Roll-call vote was taken:

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

Nay-None

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

**Request to Amend Purchase Agreement Re: Kyle and Jaclynn Fortier, 135 Northview Dr.**

Stanchina submitted a request by Kyle and Jaclynn Fortier to extend the building deadline in their purchase agreement with the City from April of 2021 to January of 2022 due to COVID-19. Blomquist attested to the difficulty in finding contractors. Pirkola indicated that the City could amend the purchase agreement with the understanding that the extension is due to COVID -19 and forward progress is occurring. Stanchina confirmed that he will be monitoring the project's progress.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Clawson to extend the purchase agreement between the City of Iron Mountain and Kyle and Jaclynn Fortier due to COVID -19 and to direct City Attorney Pirkola to extend the agreement until January of 2022.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Purchase of a Horizontal Boring Tool**

Stanchina reviewed the savings that would occur if the City purchased the proposed horizontal boring tool.

It was moved by Clawson and supported by Schinderle to purchase a, 75P Grundomat Basic Package, horizontal boring tool from TT Technologies at a cost of \$6,738.00.

Roll-call vote was taken:

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

Nay-None

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

**Release of Claim Re: Secura Insurance Companies**

Stanchina presented a release of claim for Secura Insurance Companies for right-of-way damage at the Chapin Pits due to a logging truck. He imparted that the Department of Public Works time was billed to the insurance company. Pirkola verified that the release of claim is a standard agreement.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Maule to approve the release of claim for Secura Insurance Companies, as presented.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Reports**

**Financial Reports**

None

**City Manager Reports**

*Census*

Stanchina encouraged residents to complete their census form due to its community impact. Maule suggested that the City develop a Facebook page.

*Crystal Lake*

Stanchina reported that the Crystal Lake siphons have been running and moving a lot of water.

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*West Fleshiem St. Sanitary Sewer*

Stanchina notified the City Council of a sewer line patch that the Department of Public Works completed on Fleshiem Street.

Stanchina outlined the current plans regarding hazard pay and the PPE program.

Maule questioned how to tell if a service line is made of galvanized pipe.

**City Attorney Reports**

Pirkola stated that the City's vicious dog ordinance and enforcement needs to be reviewed due to several deficiencies. Stanchina and Pirkola verified that not all pet owner have home owners insurance or resources. Mattson and Maule supported Pirkola's assertions. Revord suggested that civil fines be explored for the vicious dog being set loose or sent away. Alessandrini referred this matter to the Public Safety Committee; consisting of Alessandrini, Clawson and Revord.

**Committee Reports**

None

**Public Comment**

None

**Council Member Privilege**

Clawson relayed that he plans to attend the upcoming Gold Star Event and that he would be willing to represent the City as a Council Member.

He raised the issue of fireworks. Mattson reported that enforcement efforts have been increased and that one resident was caught.

Schinderle noted how well the C Street Project was going.

**Closed Session Re: Collective Bargaining**

It was moved by Maule and supported by Alessandrini to move into Closed Session at 7:14 P.M.

Roll-call vote was taken:

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

Nay-None

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

Closed session ended at 7:29 P.M.

**Adjournment**

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.



Isaac Micheau  
Clerk-Treasurer