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Regular Meeting of the Common Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, March 19, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room:

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

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Agenda

The minutes of the previous meeting of March 5, 2007.

Minutes

Public Comment

Ronald Giguere - 111 W. Fleshiem – asked the City Council to make right his losses due to a sewer back-up at his home.

Larry Swartout – Dickinson County Equalization Director – responded to comments made by the City Assessor at the previous meeting. He stated no reassessment was placed on the 2007 Assessment Roll due to discrepancies. He found many land value inequities and did not see uniformity in land values chosen. Mr. Swartout would also like to see estimates used for Personal Property Inventories that are not filed, instead of using Form 4154.

Dawn Miner – 712 W. Sagola – stated she will continue to assess her two Dickinson County units as she has in the past.

Old Business

It was moved by VanLaanen and supported by Burke to table the discussion of a sale and vacation of City property.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Sale of City Property

New Business

It was moved by Burke and supported by Caudell to approve a resolution transferring a liquor license to Timberstone Management, LLC.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Timberstone Management LLC

It was moved by VanLaanen and supported by Burke to approve a resolution that allows Blackstone Pizza to apply for a liquor license under the regulations of MI Public Act 501. PA 501 of 2006 created new on premises, not for sale liquor licenses in communities that are engaged in redevelopment and revitalization.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Blackstone Pizza

It was moved by Caudell and supported by VanLaanen to approve a resolution granting submission of an application for a DNR grant to develop a trail system at the North Side Field.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

North Side Field DNR Grant

New Business (cont.)

The City Council had a discussion about the basic cemetery maintenance. One idea was developing a bid package for the mowing and landscaping of the cemetery. The City Council recommended that the City Manager develop a bid package to help determine the feasibility of the outsourcing idea.

Cemetery Park Maintenance

No action was taken.

Mr. Joseph LaFave withdrew his petition for approval of the Final Plat for his Millie Hill Subdivision. He requested a meeting with the Executive Committee to discuss the difference of opinion between himself and the City as to what is needed for a Final Plat.

Millie Hill Subdivision

It was moved by VanLaanen and supported by Caudell to request the City Manager to set a date and time for a meeting between Mr. LaFave and the Executive Committee within two weeks of this meeting.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Financial Reports

The Council reviewed the Payroll Report for the Month of February with regular wages in the amount of \$245,029.29 and OT in the amount of \$19,984.14. The Council also reviewed Claims in the amount of \$539,506.54.

Claims and Payroll

It was moved by Burke and supported by VanLaanen to approve claims and payroll in the amounts noted above.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

City Manager Reports

During the City Manager Report, Mayor Pro-Tem Rigoni made a comment on the discussions the Executive Committee had pertaining to water and sewer claims. The City looks at all claims it receives and sends them through the proper channels for resolution.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

None

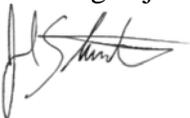
Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

Council Member VanLaanen was encouraged by the Daily News article reporting on the planned new development for Timberstone/Pine Mountain Resort area. He would also like to look at extending Bellagomba Dr. to Stephenson Ave.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.



Jordan Stanchina
Clerk-Treasurer