

Special Meeting of the Common Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, March 30, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Room:

Presiding: Mayor VanLaanen

Present: Council Members Alessandrini, *Rosen*, Corombos and Farragh

Absent: Council Members Peterson and Burke

Public Comment

Virginia Feleppa – 1136 Crystal Lake Blvd. – concerned about final draft plan changes for City Park. She is against having a skate park at City Park because she feels it should be centered in the community. She likes the winter park concept but feels the warming shack which was removed from the final plan, should be included.

Bob Moraska – 224 West D St. – disagrees with Ms. Feleppa and thinks the park needs to have stuff for everyone. He may agree that the skate park should be centrally located but doesn't know how it would be \paid for without the grant for City Park.

Brad Lafave – 200 W. Hughitt St. – supports the skateboard park and has a petition of people who want a skateboard park.

Carol Schneider – 405 West D St. – feels the skateboard park is important for the community.

Gerry Trombley – 504 Norway St. – supported the skateboard park

Old Business

Millie Hill Subdivision

Mayor VanLaanen asked about a road width policy. Member Farragh stated there wasn't a policy. Mayor VanLaanen asked about language in the developer's agreement that stated other assurance acceptable to the City in regards to surety bonds or letters of credit. City Attorney Pirkola said that this is standard language.

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Alessandrini to approve the final plat and developer's agreement with the change of shoulder gravel from 23A to 22A.

Member Corombos feels both parties acted in good faith on the agreement and he feels comfortable with it. Members Farragh and Alessandrini are also comfortable with the agreement.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

New Business

City Park Financial and Project Support

Member Rosen feels that this project benefits the entire community. He said the paintball area and archery range have been put off to a possible second phase.

It was moved by Rosen and supported Corombos to approve a resolution supporting the application of MDNR Trust Fund Grant for renovation of City Park. Member Corombos feels that the City can control teenagers. Mayor VanLaanen understands Dr. Feleppa's concern about the placement of the skateboard park and he shares that same concern. Member Farragh said the previously attempted skate park wasn't

New Business (cont.)

thought out. It required the skaters to bring their own platforms and rails to skate on. This led to a lot of debris being left at the skate park.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Alessandrini to have the City cover any shortfall for the 25% local match required by the grant.

Member Alessandrini said the goal is to not have the City contribute any cash toward the project.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Rubbish Flyer Delivery

Member Farragh said that the Infrastructure Committee discussed paying high school clubs to deliver the flyers. Member Rosen stated this was a manager decision and did not require Council action.

No action taken.

Vacate Aragon St. between Pine and Industrial

City Manager Stanchina stated that Mr. Harry Rahoi has asked if Aragon St. between Pine St. and Industrial Drive. He said that the City has conflicting information on this and the easiest way to remedy the situation would be for the City to vacate the street.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to authorize publishing for the vacation of Aragon St. between Pine St. and Industrial Drive.

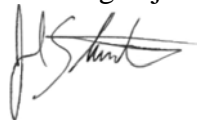
Motion prevailed unanimously.

Public Comment

Carol Scheider – 405 West D St. – asked about assistance for handicapped or elderly for the rubbish pickup

Joe Lafave – W8025 Millie Hill Dr. – thanked the Council for helping move his Millie Hill subdivision along.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



Jordan Stanchina

Clerk-Treasurer