

Regular Meeting of the Common Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, April 20, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room:

Presiding: Mayor VanLaanen
Present: Council Members Burke, Farragh, Alessandrini, Corombos and Rosen.
Absent: Council Member Peterson
Also Present: City Attorney Pirkola

Agenda

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Burke to approve the agenda as submitted with an addition as follows:

- V. Old Business
 - 1. City Park Ad-Hoc Committee
- VI. New Business
 - 7. DDA Appointments

Minutes

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 6, 2009 were approved as submitted with the following change:

- Change Member Rosen to present on March 30, 2009.
- Change Member Burke to present on Special Meeting of April 6th

Public Comment

Linnea Marchetti – 614 W. Ludington – invited the Council to a meeting with the DDA on April 23rd from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m. She stated that Joe Borgstrom from the Michigan Main Street program will be there to answer any questions.

Old Business

City Park Ad-Hoc

Member Rosen stated that he has some people interested in joining a fundraising committee for City Park. He requested that any interested individuals come forward and participate.

No action taken

New Business

Albino Deer Name

The Council discussed a recent poll by the Daily News asking residents to name the albino deer. The top three names out of 16 were Snowflake, Blizzard and Lumi.

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Alessandrini to name the Albino deer Blizzard.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Amend Sanitary Sewer Study

City Manager Stanchina explained that an update was needed to a 1998 Sanitary Sewer Capacity study completed by Coleman Engineering. He said this study was conducted on the north end of town. He stated that an amended study would look at sewer capacity due to recently signed 425 and Utility Service Agreements and other potential development. He noted that the cost of the study is approximately \$8,000 and will be split with Breitung Township.

New Business (cont.)

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Alessandrini to approve the addendum to the 1998 Sanitary Sewer Capacity completed by Coleman Engineering in a total amount of \$8,000; with the fee to be paid 50% by the City of Iron Mountain and 50% by Breitung Township.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Hydrants and Fittings

City Manager Stanchina stated that a hydrant replacement program was started last fall. He said the City inventory of hydrants and fittings is low and needs to be increased. He said the replacement program will continue and this is the reason for purchasing additional hydrants.

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Burke to approve the solicitation of bids for 15 to 20 hydrants and the appropriate fittings.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Clerk/Treasurer Appointment

City Manager stated that he recently conducted interviews to fill the vacant Clerk/Treasurer position. He said that after evaluating those interviewed it is his recommendation to appoint Mr. Isaac Micheau to the Clerk/Treasurer position. The starting salary will be \$41,500.

It was moved by Corombos and supported by Rosen to approve the appointment Mr. Isaac Micheau to the position of Clerk/Treasurer for the City of Iron Mountain.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Personnel Policy Manual Drug Card

City Manager Stanchina stated that the Drug Card co-pay was changed to a 10/40 without reimbursement. He stated the policy was previously changed without Council approval. He said that all of the collective bargaining units have a 10/40 copay with reimbursement for the difference, when no generic is available. Additionally, the Health Care Committee recommends providing employees with reimbursement back to 11/10/2007, the date the policy was changed. City Manager Stanchina stated that \$720 is the total amount of retroactive reimbursement.

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Burke to change the Personnel Policy Manual to have a 10/40 co-pay Drug Card with reimbursement if no generic is available.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Camp 911 No Charge Park Pavilion

It was moved by Corombos and supported by Burke to approve the use of the City Park Pavilion for no charge on June 9th and June 10th for DCHS's twelfth annual "Camp 911".

Motion prevailed unanimously.

DDA Appointments

City Manager Stanchina stated that this was a late addition to the agenda because City Attorney Pirkola needed to review if Ms. Julie Olson, Planning Board member, is able to serve on the DDA. He said that to be on the safe side, Ms. Olson should not serve on the DDA. City Manager Stanchina recommended the appointment Ms. Greta Michaud to serve a four year term on the Downtown Development Authority.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Rosen to appoint Ms. Michaud to a four year term on the Downtown Development Authority.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Financial Reports

Invoice paid through automated clearing \$26,884.92.

The Council reviewed the Payroll Report for the month of March with regular wages in the amount of \$274,160.19 and overtime in the amount of \$21,106.53. The Council also reviewed claims in the amount

Financial Reports (cont.)

of \$396,498.57. The Finance Committee reviewed the claims and payroll, with a recommendation of approval as submitted. Member Rosen said he will abstain from voting because of items 47 and 102. It was moved by Farragh and supported by Corombos to approve the claims and payroll in the amounts noted above.

Ayes: 5 (Corombos, Burke, VanLaanen, Alessandrini and Farragh)

Nays: 0

Abstain: 1 (Rosen)

Motion carried.

City Manager Report

Member Alessandrini asked if the City could look at cleaning up the abandon north side water tank. Also, he is concerned about the number of potholes.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

Member Rosen stated that the police overtime was high and the committee will look how to remedy this situation.

Neighborhood Partnership

Member Alessandrini said the Neighborhood Partnership will redo sidewalks on the north side and he would like to have the City help remove the old sidewalk. City Manager Stanchina said he will check for the availability of City employees

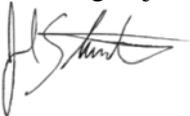
Public Comment

Gene Ducharme – 1044 S. Carpenter – will make items with the albino deer available for sale and donate a portion of the proceeds to City Park.

Council Member Privilege

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.



Jordan Stanchina
Clerk-Treasurer