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Special Meeting of the Common Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan to be held on Monday, November 23, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Peterson

Present: Council Members Corombos, Farragh, Rosen & Alessandrini

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina

Public Comment

None

Old Business

None

New Business

DPW boiler replacement

Stanchina noted that the DPW building is heated by two Hot Water Boilers and that the largest one is broke down. He relayed that the boiler has to be fixed. Stanchina communicated that the heat exchanger malfunctioned and that it was recommended that the other unit be evaluated proactively. He added that it would cost \$7,170 to repair the defective boiler and \$11,350 to replace it. Stanchina conveyed that the system would have to be bought up to code if the unit is replaced.

Peterson asked if the boiler must be repaired by the factory. Stanchina conveyed that the factory must repair it. Alessandrini asked if the city will have to upgrade the boiler system at some point, as to comply with the new laws. Stanchina relayed that the current system is grandfathered in. Rosen asked if TIFA will pay to fix the boiler. Stanchina conveyed that he will be requesting funds from them.

Farragh asked why the DPW Boilers are only lasting 5 or 6 years. The original company believes it is the water quality. Stanchina noted that the water will have to be looked at since the boiler system is a closed circuit. Alessandrini relayed that the manufacture recommended performing an annual inspection in order to save wear and tear on the heat exchangers. Corombos asked if there is a manual that the city should be following for routine annual maintenance. Stanchina communicated that there is probably a manual, but who ever works on the boiler must be licensed. Corombos reiterated the idea that the DPW Building has had too many boilers for such a short time. Farragh reiterated that the boilers should last longer than 5 or 6 years. Farragh noted that the city has to inspect the portable boiler every year per the state inspector. Peterson asked what bad water entailed, possibly calcium deposits. Farragh noted that the water will possibly need to be inspected every year since water is being added annually. Peterson asked Stanchina if a maintenance schedule is going to be developed. Farragh conveyed that developing a schedule would be cheaper. Peterson asked if there is enough money in the Building Fund to replace the boiler. Alessandrini noted that the city would spend a lot more if the boiler was upgraded. It was moved by Rosen and supported by Alessandrini to approve the repairs of the DPW Boiler system, in the amount as provided by WDM Enterprises.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Council Member Appointment

Stanchina noted that citizen Horvat bought a home in Iron Mountain in October. He communicated that a council member must live in town for 6 months. Stanchina noted that City Attorney Pirkola conveyed the opinion that Horvat would not be eligible according to the City Code of Ordinances. Corombos confirmed the opinion that Horvat would not be able to run in the last election. Stanchina confirmed that his current home was not purchased until October. Peterson communicated the opinion that Horvat should not be eliminated until exact information is known.

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Farragh to approve Collin Jacobetti to fill the vacancy in the Ward 3 position.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Alessandrini noted that Kay Vila has been to every meeting.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Corombos to approve Kay Villa to fill the vacant at large position.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Alessandrini asked in the newly appointed Council Members are we normally sworn in during the meeting. A discussion relating to this topic ensued.

City Clerk Isaac Micheau Swore in Colin Jacobetti and Kay Villa to their respective positions.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Rosen to adjourn.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.


Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer