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Regular Meeting of the Common Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan to be held on Monday, August 2, 2010 at 6:31 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Rosen

Present: Council Members Alessandrini, Corombos, Villa, Jacobetti, Peterson & Farragh

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Pirkola

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to approve the agenda as prepared.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 15, 2010

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Villa to approve the minutes as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 19, 2010

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Peterson to approve the minutes as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

Virginia Feleppa – 1136 Crystal Lake BLVD.

She conveyed that it would be preferable for the city to have a leash law. Feleppa suggested that the sediment basins and storm drains could stand to be cleaned. She noted that the online meeting notices have not been working as expected.

Stanchina relayed that the city follows the county's leash law. He added that the catch basins will be cleaned toward the end of the East A Street construction project.

Old Business

Bid Opening Re: 2010-11 Paving Program

Stanchina read the following bids into the record

Bacco Construction

Total for sewer, paving and curbing \$519,749.00

North East Asphalt

Total for sewer, paving and curbing \$632,882.40

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Jacobetti to award the 2010-2011 paving bid to the apparent low bidder, pending they meet the bid specifications.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Bid Award Re: City Park Tennis Courts

Stanchina noted that \$25,000 was set aside last year and \$10,000 was set aside this year for maintenance on the Tennis Courts. He relayed that more costly repairs could result from improper maintenance.

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Peterson to approve \$13,458.00 to Fahrner for maintenance on the City Park Tennis Courts.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Bid Award Re: Water Tank Roof Bid

Stanchina noted that Dixon Engineering is recommending that Terrazzo be awarded the contract for \$51,050. Stanchina relayed that the Elastomeric Roofing System would be the optimal product for the project. Rosen clarified that the Elastomeric Roofing System has a life expectancy of approximately 15 years. Jacobetti relayed the opinion that he would prefer a rolled rubber roof, as he was unsure of the Elastomeric Roofs durability. He also relayed the opinion that not consistently requiring bid bonds can cause confusion for companies that are bidding city projects.

Mr. Markell of Markell Roofing presented to the City Council

Markell noted that bid bonds cost 2% of the project, so not requiring one can save the city costs. He expressed the opinion that an Elastomeric Roof is not preferable to a roller rubber/PVC roof.

It was concluded that a Bid Bond guarantees a price for a set period of time and a Performance Bond covers the city if the contractor does not complete the project.

Markell expressed the opinion that a PVC Roofing System, that is heat welded, is optimal for the proposed water tank roof.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to reject all the bids.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Kevin Pirlot suggested that other alternatives may be present and should not be excluded.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to authorize the City Manager to have Dixon Engineering prepare bid specifications for the water tank roof that include a Rubber/PVC Roofing System, welded seams, a 15 year warranty, a Performance Bond and a Bid Bond.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

New Business

Approval to Purchase Re: Reservoir Hatch Intrusion Alarms

Stanchina relayed that P.J. Cortens recommends hatch sensors, as they can interface with the well's current telemetry.

Alessandrini suggested that audible alarms be added as a form of security. Corombos confirmed that P.J. Cortens is a sole provider for this product and its installation.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to authorize \$4,530 to P.J Cortens and Company to install alarms on the city's three reservoirs.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Discussion and Approval of Policy Re: Street Closure for Block Party or Similar Event

Stanchina detailed the Street Closure Policy he had prepared. Corombos suggested that the city may be at less risk if the event's participants carry their own insurance. Pirkola expressed the opinion that the city would most likely have limited liability for an event of this type. The City Council agreed that it would be acceptable for the DPW Director to approve the street closure.

It was moved by Corombos and supported by Alessandrini to approve the proposed Street Closure Policy.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Salary Schedule

Stanchina detailed the proposed Salary Step Schedule. He noted that there was an increase of 1% for the whole table, with an additional increase for each step advancement. Stanchina conveyed that the step schedule will result in a 1.94% increase to the General Fund this year.

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Alessandrini to approve the proposed Salary Schedule, retroactive to July 1, 2010.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Dues Re: Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association

Stanchina noted that the Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association (UPTRA) is an organization that focuses on regional tourism. He recommended the approval of \$300.00 for annual UPTRA dues.

It was moved by Jacobetti and supported by Peterson to approve \$300.00 for UPTRA dues.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports Financial Reports

None

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City Manager Reports

Stone Walls at the Cemetery

Stanchina noted that the pillar on the East Side of the Cemetery Entrance is in need of replacement. Peterson expressed the idea that the original rocks could be utilized in a new pillar.

East A Street

Stanchina relayed that the East A Street project was delayed due to defective radio heads. He detailed their current progress on the East A Street Project.

Peterson asked when the city can stop chlorinating its water.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Parks and Recreation

Peterson conveyed that the committee had met to discuss the five year Recreation Plan. She relayed that interested parties are going to be asked for their input. Stanchina detailed several ideas on the development of an ORV loop.

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

Jacobetti voiced his support for the city improving its security. He encouraged voting at the Primary Election tomorrow.

Farragh suggested that free use of the City Park Pavilion should include having the group clean up the site. Stanchina confirmed with Farragh that the Phone Project is close to completion.

Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.



Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer