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Regular Meeting of the Common Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, May 2, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Rosen

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

Absent: Council Members Peterson

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Gerald Pirkola

### **Approval of Agenda**

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval of Minutes**

*Budget Workshop of April 11, 2011*

It was moved by Corombos and supported by Jacobetti to approve the minutes of April 11, 2011 as prepared.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

*Special Meeting of April 12, 2011*

It was moved by Jacobetti and supported by Villa to approve the minutes of April 12, 2011 as prepared.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

*Regular Meeting of April 18, 2011*

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to approve the minutes of April 18, 2011 as prepared.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

*Budget Workshop of April 20, 2011*

It was moved by Jacobetti and supported by Alessandrini to approve the minutes of April 20, 2011 as prepared.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Public Comment**

*Barb Kramer - 135 Bradley St.*

She requested clarification as to the location of voting for Iron Mountain's Ward 1.

### **Old Business**

#### **Bid Award for the MEDC ICE Project and Approval of Changer Order #1**

Stanchina stated that the original project's budget was \$390,600.00, including \$39,966.00 of engineering services that have already been contracted. He relayed that a block of Main Street was removed from the project so that the final cost would be closer to the original budget. Stanchina conveyed that the amended project cost would be approximately \$353,000. He said that the company which was the lowest responsible bidder would not change due to the changes made to the project.

Jacobetti and Alessandrini voiced their support for not removing the block of Main Street from the project. Stanchina stated that the block of Main Street that is proposed to be removed from the project has not historically experienced problems with their water service. Alessandrini voiced the concern that the area which is being removed from the project may have galvanized lines. Jacobetti communicated the idea that he would agree with the City Manager if he is concerned about the cost to the Water Fund.

It was moved by Corombos and supported by Alessandrini to approve the bid award for the MEDC ICE Project and Change Order #1 to Bacco Construction.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

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### **New Business**

#### **Request to Remove “No Parking” Signs on the South Side of 400 West A St.**

Stanchina recommended that the “No Parking” signs be removed on the South Side of A Street, per the Police Chief’s recommendation. He stated that there would still be no parking thirty feet from the intersections, as to maintain clear vision areas.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Villa to remove the “No Parking” signs on the South Side of A Street while still maintaining thirty feet of clear vision area adjacent to each corner.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Approval to Contract for an Engineering Consultant Re: City Park MDNR Trust Fund Grant**

Stanchina communicated that it would be optimal to award Coleman Engineering the proposed contract due to the amount of initial work they have already put into the project. He stated that the proposed contract would be a not to exceed contract and that the cost of the services would be approximately 12% of the construction costs. Jacobetti voiced his support for this contract to be bid competitively. Alessandrini, Rosen and Farragh voiced their support for the contract to be awarded to Coleman Engineering. Villa communicated the idea that it would be optimal for the City to hire the firm that already knows the project. Jacobetti stated that he will support this contract award, despite his previous objection, as it is best for the City. Corombos communicated the opinion that the value of the work that Coleman Engineering has already done should be considered.

It was moved by Rosen and supported by Alessandrini to award Coleman Engineering the Consulting contract for the City Park MDNR Trust Fund Grant in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Discussion of Using City Owned Property as a Baseball Field**

Stanchina stated that Dean Lefebvre, on behalf of the Iron Mountain North Area Little League, requested that an area northeast of the East Side playground be utilized as a baseball field. He relayed that the cost of developing the baseball field would be provided by the North Area Little League. Stanchina expressed his concern for the topography of the area, as it relates to possible soil erosion, as a result of the development of a Baseball Field. He voiced his support for the development of the field, pending further research. Stanchina communicated that North Area Little League would prefer to have the field operational this year. Farragh expressed the opinion that each contractor should have insurance while working on the project and that silt fence should be utilized until the ground stabilizes.

**No Action Taken**

#### **Approval of Planning Board Appointments**

Stanchina relayed that both Julie Olson and Julie Badini have expressed interest in renewing their positions on the Planning Board. He recommended that both Julie Olson and Julie Badini be reappointed to the Planning Board. Alessandrini and Farragh expressed their gratitude for the work that is performed by the Planning Board.

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Villa to approve Julie Badini to the Planning Board for an additional three year term to end May 19, 2014.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Jacobetti to approve Julie Olson to the Planning Board for an additional three year term to end May 19, 2014.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Approval of Memorial Day Parade Route**

Stanchina detailed the proposed Memorial Day Parade Route. He recommended that US 2 be closed from Ludington Street to Cedar Avenue between 8:30 am and 9:30 am.

It was moved by Villa and supported by Alessandrini to approve the Memorial Day Parade Route for May 30, 2011

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Approval of Deferred Compensation Plan Documents Re: Nationwide Insurance**

Stanchina conveyed that Nationwide Insurance is a provider of 457 Plans for the City employees. He relayed that the plan documents must be periodically updated as rules and regulations change.

It was moved by Farragh and supported by Alessandrini to approve the 457 Deferred Compensation Plan by Nationwide Insurance.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

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**Reports**

**Financial Reports**

Stanchina communicated that the Quarterly Revenue and Expenditure Report does not show any unexpected anomalies.

**City Manager Reports**

Stanchina relayed that the City is working on receiving funds from the federal government that would assist in the funding of retiree health insurance.

Stanchina reminded the City Council that the City's annual refuse collection begins next week.

Stanchina confirmed that the catch basins on Kramer Drive have been cleaned out.

**City Attorney Reports**

Alessandrini inquired as to the statutes of the Tower Lease with North Side Cable. Pirkola noted that he is awaiting a response from North Side Cable.

**Committee Reports**

Rosen noted that the Parks and Recreation Committee met and that the committee is looking for volunteers for their upcoming fundraiser.

**Public Comment**

None

**Council Member Privilege**

Farragh asked what the status of our emergency siren is. Stanchina conveyed that the Fire Chief and he have been considering this issue.

Jacobetti requested that the requirements for bidding professional contracts be reviewed.

**Adjournment**

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.



Isaac Micheau  
Clerk-Treasurer