

CITY OF IRON MOUNTAIN * CITY COUNCIL * MARCH 16, 2015

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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Moraska, List, Revord, Coe & Blomquist

Absent: Council Member Villa

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina, Chief Financial Officer Bartolameolli & City Attorney Pirkola

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Coe and supported by Moraska to approve the agenda, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 2, 2015

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to approve the minutes of March 2, 2015, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Consideration of 25 Location Playground Improvement Project Re: Kiwanis

Myron Berry, Kiwanis representative, presented the plan by Kiwanis to improve the 25 Location playground. Alessandrini thanked the Kiwanis for their efforts. Stanchina confirmed that the only cost to the City is removal of the old equipment.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by List to approve the 25 Location playground plans, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of MPower Innovations GIS Software Re: SAW Grant

Stanchina communicated that the Global Information System (GIS) will be the foundation to most of the SAW Grant work. He imparted that MPower will make the GIS system user-friendly, include program updates and provide unlimited licensing. Scott Nowak and Gary Hoaglund, Coleman Engineering Representatives, reviewed the merits of utilizing MPower. Stanchina verified that Coleman Engineering would be available to perform significant amendments to the GIS system.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to approve \$40,000 toward the purchase of hardware and MPower Integrator Software.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Agreement to Terminate and Abandon Storm Sewer Easement Agreement for Existing Lake Antoine Creek Storm Pipe and Agreement to Relocate Storm Pipe Easement Re: MJ Electric

Stanchina outlined the request to terminate and Abandon the Storm Sewer Easement Agreement for the existing Lake Antoine creek storm pipe and approve an agreement to relocate the Storm Pipe Easement. He noted that MJ Electric and the City would share the cost of relocating the pipe if future expansion occurred. Stanchina conveyed that there would be ample room for MJ Electric to expand without further filling in the creek.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the easements, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Approval of Satisfaction and Release of Covenants, Restrictions and Reverters Re: MJ Electric

Stanchina asked that the request that the Release of Covenants, Restrictions and Reverters be approved as all the conditions have been met.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Coe to approve the Release of Covenants, Restrictions and Reverters, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of 457(b) Plan Documents Re: FT Jones

Bartolameo submitted the 457(b) plan documents for FT Jones for approval, with the exception of Article Seven. She explained that the fulfillment of Article 12 would be burdensome to City staff and pension recipients. Revord asserted that the employees should be informed that they will no longer have the option to exercise Article Seven. Bartolameo indicated that all City employees have chosen to not exercise the provisions in Article Seven. Stanchina and Bartolameo attested that the City is not contractually obligated to inform the staff that Article seven was not approved. Stanchina stated that the affected pension recipients will be notified.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Alessandrini to approve the 457(b) plan documents for FT Jones, with the exception of Article Seven, and approve the City Manager and Chief Financial Officer as trustees and signers for the City's plan.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Consideration of Target Market Analysis Proposal Re: CUPPAD

Stanchina detailed a request from the Central Upper Peninsula Planning & Development (CUPPAD) Regional Commission to approve a letter of support regarding a grant CUPPAD is submitting to perform a Target Market Analysis for Alger, Delta, Dickinson, Marquette, Menominee and Schoolcraft counties.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Blomquist to approve a letter of support, as requested.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of City Civil Service Commission Appointment Re: Steve Harris

Stanchina relayed that the vacancies on the City Civil Service Commission has been advertised and that Steve Harris has submitted a letter of interest.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Moraska to appoint Mr. Steve Harris to an unexpired term on the City Civil Service Commission until November 17, 2016.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

February Claims and Payroll

Moraska reported that overtime was down in all departments.

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Blomquist to approve Payroll in the amount of \$290,151.44 and Claims in the amount of \$919,596.57 with net claims being \$301,340.05.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

City Manager Reports

Water Line Thawing

Stanchina notified the City Council that the City has thawed 52 water lines and repaired two water main breaks throughout the current winter.

Civil Service

Stanchina informed the Council that the City's Department of Public Works Working Foreman Motor Pool/Mechanic is retiring due to a non-work related disability and that his last day will be March 27, 2015.

River Avenue

Stanchina noted that Mouw and Celesso is reviewing the proposed River Ave. vacation area once the snow melts.

YMCA

Stanchina relayed that he has not received a firm figure on the cost of replacing the west side ball field if the current field is sold to the YMCA.

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Medallion Management

Stanchina updated the City Council on the status of the proposed Medallion Management project.

Blaine St. Flow

Alessandrini expressed the opinion that the water flow on Blaine Street needs to be addressed.

In-House Work Issue

Alessandrini suggested that the level of work being performed off-site be reviewed.

Council of Whole

Alessandrini stated that a committee of the whole meeting should take place in order to begin the budget process.

Leaf & Garbage Pickup

Stanchina announced that the leaves that were not picked up last year will be first to be picked up this year and that garbage collection has moved from the alleys to the streets.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Coe reported that the Parks and Recreation Committee met to discuss the 25 Location park and approved the purchase of eight trees.

Revord raised his concerns regarding the Health Department survey that was send to each City Council member.

Blomquist indicated that the Planning Commission has requested that a committee to review the building/site requirements within certain districts of the City be reviewed and that two members of the City Council be appointed to the committee. Alessandrini appointed List and Blomquist to the committee. Stanchina imparted that he would also attend the committee meetings.

Public Comment

Virginia Feleppa – 1136 Crystal Lake Blvd.

Feleppa thanked the City for supporting the tree program.

Council Member Privilege

Coe thanked the Kiwanis for their efforts.

Alessandrini asked that fellow Council Members refrain from adding agenda items after Friday morning as it does not allow ample time to review. Moraska objected to any limit on additional agenda items. Revord supported Alessandrini's position.

Adjournment

It was moved by Moraska and supported by Revord to adjourn.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.



Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer