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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, July 2, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Maule, List, Revord, Saldana & Blomquist

Absent: Council Member Zemar

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina & City Attorney Pirkola

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by List and supported by Maule to approve the agenda, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Maule and supported by Alessandrini to approve the minutes of June 18, 2018, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Collective Bargaining Settlement Agreement Re: Iron Mountain Police Lieutenants Association

Stanchina reviewed the collective bargaining settlement agreement with the Iron Mountain Police Lieutenants Association.

He stated that the agreement would be retroactive.

It was moved by List and supported by Alessandrini to accept the proposed collective bargaining settlement agreement with the Iron Mountain Police Lieutenants Association.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Collective Bargaining Settlement Re: Iron Mountain Police Officers Association (IMPOA)

Stanchina detailed the amended collective bargaining settlement agreement with the Iron Mountain Police Officers Association (IMPOA). He imparted that there were language amendments required in the original document.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by List to accept the collective bargaining settlement agreement with the Iron Mountain Police Officers Association, as submitted.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Adjustment to the Administrative Salary Step Schedule

Alessandrini communicated that the step schedule increases should not be approved due to items that need to be addressed.

Stanchina recommended that the salary step schedule adjustments be approved as requested.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Blomquist to approve the adjustments to the administrative salary step schedule, as requested, with the exception of the City Manager.

Maule Aye

List Aye

Revord Aye

Alessandrini Nay

Blomquist Aye

Zemar Aye

Motion Prevailed (Aye-5, Nay-1, Abstain-0)

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Part-Time Firefighter Wages

Stanchina explained his rationale for the slated adjustments to the part-time firefighter wages. Stanchina confirmed that the City has seven full-time and seven part-time firefighters.

It was moved by Maule and supported by Saldana to approve the wage adjustments for the part-time firefighters.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Introduce Ordinance and Set Public Hearing Re: Dog Park

Stanchina introduced an ordinance to regulate the City's dog park, located at City Park, and recommended that a public hearing be held on July 16, 2018, at 6:00 P.M. to consider its approval. Alessandrini asserted that the rules will be posted on a sign. The Council discussed amendments to the sample ordinance. Alessandrini indicated that it is possible to require dogs to be registered to use the park, but that it was found by the Friends of City Park to be an option best used only if conditions warrant. Saldana suggested that hours of operation be established.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to establish a public hearing on July 16, 2018, at 6:00 P.M. to consider the dog park ordinance.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Introduce Ordinance and Set Public Hearing Re: Prohibit Dogs from Athletic Fields

Stanchina outlined an ordinance to prohibit dogs and cats on athletic fields due to the damage they cause.

It was moved by Maule and supported by List to establish a public hearing on July 16, 2018, at 6:00 P.M. to consider an ordinance to prohibit dogs and cats on athletic fields.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Charitable Gaming License Re: Hardcore Scripture Outdoors

Stanchina conveyed that he had not been provided with additional information and no representative is present regarding this request.

It was moved by Maule and supported by Revord to table the request by Hardcore Scripture Outdoors for a charitable gaming license until further information is provided and the organization has a representative available to attend the City Council meeting.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Bid Award Re: North Side Pickleball Courts

Stanchina informed the City Council that the bid for the construction of pickleball courts on the northside was amended to \$52,000 and that donated funds are available to cover the entire cost of the project.

It was moved by Maule and supported by List to accept the donation of \$52,000 from the Henry Family Foundation for the construction of pickleball courts.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

It was moved by Maule and supported by List to award the construction of the northside pickleball courts to Bacco Construction Company at a cost of \$52,000.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Kingsford High School Cross Country Meet Re: City Park Trails

Stanchina presented a request by Mr. Al Unger, Kingsford Athletic Director, to have dedicated access to the trails at City Park for a cross country meet on September 11, 2018, from 1:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. He noted that Iron Mountain students participate on the Kingsford cross country team.

It was moved by Revord and supported by List to grant exclusive use of the City Park trails to the Kingsford Cross Country Team on September 11, 2018, for a cross country meet.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Dues Re: Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association

Stanchina expressed his support for the approval of a \$300 investment allocation to the Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Saldana to approve a \$300 investment allocation to the Upper Peninsula Travel and Recreation Association.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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Consideration of Exception to the Retiree Watch Policy

Stanchina submitted a request by Lieutenant Dave Irwin to apply the value of his retirement watch, up to \$200, toward the purchase of his service weapon, valued at \$400.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by List to approve the request by Lieutenant Dave Irwin to apply the value of his retirement watch, up to \$200, toward the purchase of his service weapon, valued at \$400.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by List to authorize the purchase of a retirement watch for William J. Revord for his service as a Police Department Lieutenant due to him not receiving one at the time of his retirement.

Maule	Aye
List	Aye
Revord	Abstain
Alessandrini	Aye
Blomquist	Aye
Zemar	Aye

Motion Prevailed (Aye-5, Nay-0, Abstain-1)

Reports

Financial Reports

None

City Manager Reports

Garbage Reminder

Stanchina relayed that the new holiday pick up schedule will take effect beginning with the July 4, 2018, holiday.

Pine Mountain Timber Harvest

Stanchina reported that the City's timber harvest on Pine Mountain yielded a profit of \$45,375.25. Stanchina highlighted that the City's Millie Hill property will be harvested this fall, when the risk of spreading oak wilt is minimized, and that a similar profit is expected. Stanchina relayed that he would verify that the fences by the mining areas have been cleaned up.

Irwin Retirement Party

Stanchina announced Lieutenant Dave Irwin's retirement party.

Stanchina conveyed that the street sweeper is currently working on the north side of town

Alessandrini noted that the large rock under Margaret Street needs to be removed as it is disrupting the roadway.

City Attorney Reports

Pirkola communicated that it is time to begin negotiating tower lease renewals.

Committee Reports

Stanchina stated that the Labor Relations Committee has been meeting.

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

List, Revord & Blomquist congratulated Lieutenant Dave Irwin on his retirement. List reiterated the need for additional police officers. Saldana suggested utilizing part-time police officers. Stanchina highlighted the merits of employing part-time police officers and the difficulty in finding additional revenue.

Saldana and Alessandrini congratulated Blomquist on the arrival of twins.

Alessandrini indicated that new playground equipment, funded by the Friends of City Park, will be delivered soon and will be installed at City Park.

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Stanchina asserted that the dog park will not be opened until enforceable rules are established.

Alessandrini imparted that he received a call regarding the keeping of pigs in town.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Alessandrini to move into executive session at 7:02 P.M. for City Manager evaluation.

Maule Aye

Alessandrini Aye

Blomquist Aye

List Aye

Revord Aye

Saldana Aye

Motion Prevailed (Aye-6, Nay-0, Abstain-0)

Executive Session ended at 7:49 P.M.

It was moved by Saldana and supported by Blomquist to approve an adjustment to the administrative salary step schedule for the position of City Manager.

Adjournment

It was moved by List and supported by Maule to adjourn.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.



Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer