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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, August 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Pro Tem Revord

Present: Council Members Schinderle, Blomquist, Zemar & Saldana

Absent: Council Members Maule & Alessandrini

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina

A moment of silence was observed for the El Paso, Texas, and Dayton, Ohio, shooting victims.

Approval of Agenda

~~Alessandrini~~ Stanchina asked that "Approval of MDOT Payment Re: Vulcan St. Small Urban Project" be added as item five under New Business.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to approve the agenda, as amended.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Saldana to approve the minutes of July 15, 2019, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

It was moved by Zemar and supported by Saldana to approve the minutes of July 19, 2019, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

Bill Wentworth detailed his proposed plan for a medical marihuana facility in Iron Mountain.

Casey Yanerhager of Republic, Michigan, questioned the residency requirement in the scoring rubric.

Public Hearing

Vacate Acorn Lane

Revord opened the Public Hearing

No comments were received.

Revord closed the Public Hearing

Vacate ~996' of Boss Way

Revord noted a letter of support from Edwards Automotive. Stanchina outlined the plan for the vacated right-of-way.

Revord opened the Public Hearing

No comments were received.

Revord closed the Public Hearing

Old Business

Consider Vacating Re: Acorn Lane

Stanchina indicated that Acorn Lane was never developed.

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It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to approve the vacation of the unimproved portion of platted roadway named Acorn Lane, adjacent to lots 39, 40, 41 & 42 of the Plat of Crystal Estates.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Consider Vacating ~996' of Boss Way

(use legal description in motion)

Stanchina imparted that Toro wants to relocate the roadway and associated utilizes of ~996' of Boss Way to allow for future expansion. He stated that there are no problems with the Department of Public Works relocating fire hydrants.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to vacate the platted roadway, named Boss Way, from the south r-o-w line of North Industrial Dr. to the north property line of parcel #051-000-017-05 (Miller Products).

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Bid Opening Re: Pickup Truck for Public Works

	4x4	4x2
Town and Country	\$32,361.40	
Chrysler World	\$24,114	\$24,161.00

It was moved by Revord and supported by Saldana to refer the bids to staff for review.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

New Business

Establish a Public Hearing for a Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate Re: Menominee Range Investments (323 S. Stephenson)

Stanchina relayed that Menominee Range Investments qualifies for 7 years of Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate tax abatement and that a public hearing should be scheduled at 6:30 PM on August 19, 2019, to move the process forward.

It was moved by Zemar and supported by Saldana to establish a public hearing at 6:30 PM on August 19, 2019, to consider a Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption for Menominee Range Investments.

Schinderle Aye
Revord Aye
Blomquist Abstain
Zemar Aye
Saldana Aye

Motion Prevailed (Aye-4, Nay-0, Abstain-1)

Authorization to Solicit Quotes Re: Major Street Line Striping and Pavement Marking

Stanchina conveyed that there is only one contractor that does line striping and that it would be preferable to solicit bids and award to the lowest quote.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to authorize the solicitation of quotes for line striping and award the project to the lowest quote.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Elcom Systems Re: Fire Department Radio Equipment and Antenna

Stanchina voiced the opinion that it would be in the City's best interest to move the Fire Department Equipment and Antenna from a shared tower to a dedicated City-owned tower due to maintenance costs at the current location and improved coverage.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Saldana to authorize Elcom Systems to move the Fire Department Equipment and Antenna to the City's tower at a cost of \$8,611.69.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Acceptance of Proposal Re: Actuarial for Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

Stanchina recommended that Key Benefits Corp. be chosen to perform the Actuarial for the City's Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB). He highlighted that the OPEB has to be done one year sooner due to the City's corrective action plan.

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It was moved by Saldana and supported by Blomquist that Key Benefits Corp. be chosen to perform the Actuarial for the City's Other Postemployment Benefits.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of MDOT Payment Re: Vulcan St. Small Urban Project

Stanchina explained that the outstanding bill of \$93,433.89 for the Small Urban Project paving is due to MDOT, not the contractor, and that there is ample retainage to address paving deficiencies.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to authorize the payment of \$93,433.89 to MDOT for Small Urban Project paving.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

None

City Manager Reports

IM-K Wastewater Treatment Plant Update

Stanchina stated that the Treatment Plant Update project is on track and a printed update will be forth coming.

Fire Dept. Personnel

Stanchina informed the Council that two full-time positions have been hired to replace a retirement and resignation.

Delinquent Personal Property Write Off

Stanchina communicated that the process to write-off uncollectable delinquent personal property needs to be performed.

Code Enforcement Position

Stanchina expressed the opinion that it would be best to hire an additional police officer to do code enforcement.

Copper and Lead Rule Update

Stanchina updated the Council on the status of the Copper and Lead Rule lawsuit.

Medical Marihuana

Stanchina noted that 14 applications have been requested to date with one being returned. He indicated that the City Attorney will look into recreational marihuana regulations.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

Stanchina communicated that the Infrastructure Committee met and recommend closing the alley adjacent to 207 E. Hughitt to through traffic. Revord raised the concern for trucks parking over the sidewalks adjacent to the alley to be closed. The Council discussed the process of vacating the portion of alley r-o-w under the encroaching common hallway attached to the Downtown Plaza.

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

None

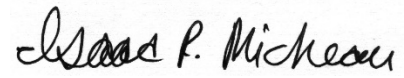
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Adjournment

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to adjourn.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 P.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Isaac P. Micheau". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "I".

Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer