

**CITY OF IRON MOUNTAIN\*CITY COUNCIL\*JANUARY 3, 2022**

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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, January 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Tomassoni, Maule, Farragh, Zemar & Clawson

Absent: Council Member Blomquist

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

**Approval of Agenda**

Alessandrini asked that "Rezoning Between East D St. to the North, Cedar Ave. to the East, East H St. to the South and the Railroad Track to the West" be added as item number two under Public Hearing and "Consider Rezoning Between East D St. to the North, Cedar Ave. to the East, East H St. to the South and the Railroad Track to the West" under Old Business.

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Maule and supported by Alessandrini to approve the minutes of December 20, 2021, as amended.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Public Comment**

*None*

**Public Hearing**

**Amend Chapter 14 Business, Article VI, Signs Re: Sec. 14-252 Special Condition Signs**

Alessandrini opened the public hearing.

No comment was received.

Alessandrini closed the public hearing.

**Rezoning Between East D St. to the North, Cedar Ave. to the East, East H St. to the South and the Railroad Track to the West**

Alessandrini opened the public hearing.

*Judy Hamlin – Trinity United Methodist Church Representative*

Stanchina explained how the rezoning of the area Between East D St. to the North, Cedar Ave. to the East, East H St. to the South and the Railroad Track to the West from Business-2 to Business-1 would increase housing opportunity. She supported the rezoning due to the need for increased housing.

*Leonard Lindholm – 1022 River Avenue*

Lindholm noted that he is in the process of selling his body shop and questioned if the use can continue. Stanchina confirmed that the current use would be grandfathered and that it could be used as a body shop under a Special Use Permit.

Alessandrini closed the public hearing.

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### **Old Business**

#### **Consider Amending Chapter 14 Business, Article VI, Signs Re: Sec. 14-252 Special Condition Signs**

Stanchina reviewed the proposed ordinance amendment.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Clawson to approve the amendment to Chapter 14 Business, Article VI, Signs Re: Sec. 14-252 Special Condition Signs, as presented.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Consider Rezoning Between East D St. to the North, Cedar Ave. to the East, East H St. to the South and the Railroad Track to the West**

Stanchina highlighted the benefit to residential development if the zoning amendment is approved.

It was moved by Maule and supported by Alessandrini to rezone the area Between East D St. to the North, Cedar Ave. to the East, East H St. to the South and the Railroad Track to the West from Business-2 to Business-1.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **New Business**

#### **Audit Presentation**

Scott Sternhagen of Clifton, Larson & Allen (CLA) presented the City's Annual Financial Audit Report for the period ending June 30, 2021. He communicated that an unmodified opinion was issued, operations have remained consistent with past years and that there has been good General Fund progression.

**No Action Taken**

#### **2020/2021 Economic Development Alliance Contribution**

Stanchina indicated that the City's Economic Development Alliance contribution from last year must be paid. It was moved by Clawson and supported by Zemar to authorize the payment of invoice number 1458, in the amount of \$5,000.00, to the Dickinson Area Economic Development Alliance.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Depository of City Funds**

Stanchina relayed that the City Council is required to approve the City's list of depositories annually.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Farragh to approve the list of approved depositories for City funds, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

#### **Letter of Agreement Re: Additional Hours for Part-Time Firefighters**

Stanchina conveyed that the letter of agreement would allow the usage of part-time personnel to cover overtime. He imparted that the intent is to cover a portion of, and terminate upon completion of, pregnancy-related vacancies.

It was moved by Maule and supported by Tomassoni to approve the letter of agreement between the City of Iron Mountain and The Iron Mountain City Fire Department Local 554, IAFF, AFL-CIO regarding part-timer hours, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Reports**

#### **Financial Reports**

None

#### **City Manager Reports**

Stanchina reported that 36 deer had been harvested through the Deer Management Assistance Program.

#### **City Attorney Reports**

None

#### **Committee Reports**

None

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**Public Comment**

*Louise Faymonville – 105 W. D St.*

Stanchina verified that adult entertainment activities are not permitted in a Business – 1 zoning district.

**Council Member Privilege**

Tomassoni questioned why snow plowing has been delayed after the last couple snow storms. Stanchina stated that he will look into it.

Maule inquired as to the area of the 800 Block of E. D Street as well. She expressed her appreciation for Lieburn and Stanchina's work on the City's financials.

Clawson and Alessandrini complimented the City staff on their work.

**Adjournment**

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

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.



Isaac Micheau  
Clerk-Treasurer