

The Regular Meeting of the Ishpeming City Council was held on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 in the Ishpeming City Hall Conference Room. Mayor Joseph Juidici called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Joseph Juidici, Council Members Justin Koski, Karl Lehmann, Stuart Skauge, and Mike Tonkin (5). Also present were City Manager Mark Slown and City Attorney Bonnie Hoff.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Aaron Perkins, 212 Cleveland Avenue, asked Council to consider adoption of an ordinance to allow marijuana dispensaries in the City since Proposal 18-1 passed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Juidici requested items 20 and 21 be removed from the agenda and added to the December agenda for the new Council. He also suggested Item 22 Set Public Hearing for Alley Vacation be discussed after Item 9 Public Hearing for the 2019 Budget.

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve the agenda incorporating the above amendments.

AGENDA COMMENT

Claudia Demarest reserved comment under Item 9, Public Hearing on 2019 Budget.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilman Lehmann, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to add to the closed session motion the attendance of the recording secretary and to approve the consent agenda incorporating the addition to the minutes.

- a. Minutes of Previous Meeting (October 3rd, 16th, 25th, and 31st and Closed Session October 25th)
- b. Approval of Disbursements
- c. Nominate Karen Kasper to a 3 year term on the Marq-Tran Board
- d. Nominate Stuart Skauge to a 3 year term on the Central Dispatch Policy Board
- e. Rescind Appointment of Stacia Lynn to Parks and Recreation Commission
- f. Special Event Application: Ishpeturkey Trot : 11/22/18
- g. Special Event Application and Parade Permit: Thursday Christmas Events and Christmas Parade
- h. Approve invoice for repair of John Deer Loader #304

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

Finance Director James Lampman reviewed the financial report for the period ending October 31, 2018 which included the General Fund, Garbage Fund, Public Improvement Fund, Major and Local Streets Funds, and the Water and Sewer Fund.

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Lehmann and carried unanimously to file the monthly budget report as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2019 BUDGET AND MILLAGE RATES

Mayor Juidici opened the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Claudia Demarest, 821 Maurice Street, indicated the budget message from Manager Slown stated this was a responsible budget and she felt this was not a responsible budget because of the shortfall in the General Fund.

Mayor Juidici closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

Councilman Lehmann asked Finance Director Lampman to explain the millage rates and summarize the Headlee Rollback. He also noted there was a \$171,000 shortfall in the General Fund and it was not sustainable and the 2019 budget would need to be monitored and amended as necessary throughout the year.

SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR ALLEY VACATION REQUEST

Rodney Scott, 404 S. Fourth Street, explained he would like the alley vacated between lots 408 and 412 South Fourth Street as it was no longer plowed or maintained by the City. Matt Cody, owner of 412 S. Fourth Street, would also like to have the alley vacated.

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Lehmann and carried unanimously to set the public hearing for the proposed alley vacation for the next regular meeting.

PRESENTATION FROM JESSICA FLORES-PRESERVATION FORWARD

Jessica Flores provided an update on her progress with the National Historic Designation for the City. She explained some of the requirements in order to be included in the National Historic Designation. There was brief discussion on the importance of Economic Development in the downtown.

PRESENTATION FROM DAN PERKINS – CITY HALL/DPW GARAGE ROOF – Place on January agenda.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - Brian Fabbri, GEI Consultant, provided an update on the paving.

a. Change Order #9, Contract 1- A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Lehmann and carried unanimously to approve Change Order #9 for Contract 1 in the amount of \$22,687.00.

b. Change Order #8, Contract II – A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve Change Order #8, Contract II for a reduction of \$23,991.00.

c. Rural Development Draw #13 – A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve Rural Development Draw #13 as presented.

d. Pay Application #11, Contract III- A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve Pay Application #11 for Contract III in the amount of \$144,767.93.

SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION: FAT-ISH FATBIKE RACE

Tyler Gauthier, Organizer for Go-Outside, was excited to hold the race in Ishpeming which would emphasize the great trail systems in the area. He explained they would like to rent the Teal Lake Lodge and offer free tubing on that day as well.

There was discussion regarding rental rates in the fee schedule and the approximate amount of revenue that was taken in on an average Saturday and Sunday at the tube slide.

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve the Special Event Application for the Fat-ish Fatbike Race on January 5, 2019 and allow rental of the Teal Lake Lodge and rental the Tube Slide with the general public being able to use the tube slide for free that day and include the bathrooms by the pavilion for a total fee of \$600.00.

SECOND READING OF AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #2-700, INOPERABLE MOTOR VEHICLES

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Lehmann and carried unanimously to approve amendments to Ordinance 2-700, Inoperable Motor Vehicles as of the second reading.

REQUEST TO WAIVE OUTSTANDING BALANCE FOR 204 CLEVELAND AVENUE

Manager Slown advised staff did not feel there was a master/slave arrangement at this property and also noted no payments were made on the account since January. There was discussion regarding the bill and whether it should be placed on the tax roll. Councilman Skauge felt the bill should be adjusted.

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge and seconded by Councilman Koski to reduce the bill by \$2,000 and the owners would need to set up a payment schedule with the Treasurer for the balance and if the owner defaulted on the payments, the full amount would go on the tax roll in 2019. Ayes: Councilman Skauge (1). Nays: Mayor Juidici, Council Members Koski, Lehmann, and Tonkin (4). Motion failed.

A motion was made by Mayor Juidici, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to place the entire amount of \$6,462.70 on the tax roll.

AUTHORIZATION FOR CITY TREASURER TO PLACE DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS ON THE TAX ROLL

Treasurer Kaitlyn Feldbauer reviewed the list of delinquent accounts and there was discussion on some of the accounts.

A motion was made by Mayor Juidici, supported by Councilman Lehmann and carried unanimously to authorize the City Treasurer to place the delinquent accounts on the tax roll.

LAKE BANCROFT PARK MEMORIAL WALKWAY

Carl Petersen, DPW Director, explained the bricks used for the walkway were no longer available to purchase; however, there were still some in stock. He further explained the cost of engraving and placing the bricks exceeded the purchase price. There was discussion on the actual costs.

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to increase the cost of the 12"x12" brick to \$100 and the cost of a 4"x8" brick to \$50 and continue this service until the bricks run out.

REQUEST FROM HELMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN HOUSTON TEXAS FOR A ROCK SAMPLE

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to forward this request to the Ishpeming Rock and Mineral Club.

J&N ELECTRIC INVOICE FOR ELECTRICAL WORK ON THE ITALIAN FEST PAVILION AT AL QUAAL

Manger Slown explained Jim Bertucci from the St. Rocco/St. Anthony Society advised that if the City would pay \$2,999 of bill from J&N, St. Rocco's would pay the remainder of the bill, \$4,828.39.

A motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Mayor Juidici and carried unanimously to authorize payment of \$2,999 toward the bill from J&N Electric for the Italian Fest Pavilion.

PAVING ESTIMATE FOR PORTION OF EMPIRE STREET

Mark Stoor from GEI Consultants advised this was an estimate of the cost and was basically an informational item.

SCHEDULE MEETINGS ON SUSTAINABILITY

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to table this item until the December meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Offer of vacant land from Lee Warner - Kaitlyn Feldbauer advised the taxes on this parcel were approximately \$630.00. His current offer was \$12,000 over a period of three years.

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge to make a counter-offer of \$4,000. There was no second.

A motion was made by Councilman Lehmann to make a counter offer of \$2,000. There was no second.

Councilman Skauge reported he contacted Judge Kangas regarding blighted property in the City.

Councilman Koski hoped the Committees for Blight and Parking would be established at the December meeting.

Mayor Juidici advised he met with Councilman Koski and Cathy Smith to tabulate the City Manager's 2018 Evaluations. He reported the overall average for Manager Slown was 3.42 and the adjusted overall average (with the high and low removed) was 3.755.

NEW BUSINESS – There was none.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Skauge was very happy to see six people running for two seats and welcomed the two new Councilmembers Pat Scanlon and Lindsay Bean; he thanked Mayor Juidici and Councilman Koski for their service and enjoyed working with them; and congratulated Councilman Lehmann on being elected to Mayor.

Councilman Koski congratulated Manager Slown and the staff at City Hall for doing a great job; was happy to see six people interested in running for two seats and wanting to get involved; he would continue to be involved in the community and would like to stay involved with the City on other Boards or Commissions.

Mayor Juidici thanked everyone, enjoyed being on Council, and lots of decisions would have to be made in the future; he hoped future Councils would continue to work on infrastructure; congratulated Lindsay Bean and Pat Scanlon on being elected; and congratulated Councilman Lehmann on his election to Mayor.

Councilman Lehmann thanked Councilman Koski and Mayor Juidici for their service and he enjoyed working with them over the last two years; and congratulated Lindsay Bean and Pat Scanlon on being elected.

Councilman Tonkin thanked Mayor Juidici and Councilman Koski for their time on Council, he enjoyed working with them, and would miss them; and reported the new Zoning Ordinance was completed and would be provided to Council shortly.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Slown provided a written report; thanked Council for his evaluation; and welcomed new Councilmembers Pat Scanlon and Lindsay Bean.

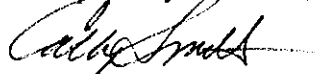
ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Hoff was currently researching the new DEQ rules for lead and copper lines; attended a seminar on recreational marijuana; was working on a Municipal Infractions Bureau Ordinance and a Cost Recovery Ordinance; announced the arrival of the new Fire Truck; congratulated Pat Scanlon and Lindsay Bean on being elected to Council; and thanked Councilman Koski and Mayor Juidici for their service and enjoyed working with them.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:52 p.m., a motion was made by Councilman Lehmann, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith
Recording Secretary