

The Special Meeting of the Ishpeming City Council was held on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 in the Ishpeming City Hall Conference Room. Mayor Karl Lehmann called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Karl Lehmann, Councilmembers Lindsay Bean, Stuart Skauge, Pat Scanlon, and Mike Tonkin (5). Also present was City Manager Mark Slown and City Attorney Bonnie Hoff.

AGENDA COMMENT – There was none.

CITY MANAGER SEARCH

Mayor Lehmann would like to decide on how to begin the search to hire a new manager. He felt an ad should be placed in the Mining Journal and with the Michigan Municipal League (MML) within the week.

Council reviewed the draft ad and changes were suggested. Instead of 5 reference it should be reduce to 3 references; certified transcripts should be required if selected for the position, salary commensurate with experience, and applications and resumes sent to or emailed to Cathy Smith. Councilmember Skauge and Mayor Lehmann would meet to review the ad and prepare the final version for publication.

A motion was made by Mayor Lehmann, supported by Councilmember Skauge and carried unanimously to accept the ad incorporating the amendments noted above and prepare the final version to be placed in the Mining Journal and with MML.

CLOSED SESSION MCL 15.268(e) SPECIFIC PENDING LITIGATION: SJOHOLM V. CITY OF ISHPEMING AND MARK SLOWN

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon and supported by Mayor Lehmann to go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) specific pending litigation: Sjolholm v. City of Ishpeming and Mark Slown at 4:17 p.m. Ayes: Mayor Karl Lehmann, Councilmembers Lindsay Bean, Pat Scanlon, Stuart Skauge, and Mike Tonkin (5). Nays: None (0). Motion passed.

Returned to open session at 4:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon and supported by Mayor Lehmann to direct the City Attorney to attempt to resolve the matter as discussed in closed session. Ayes: Mayor Karl Lehmann, Councilmembers Lindsay Bean and Pat Scanlon (3). Nays: Councilmembers Stuart Skauge and Mike Tonkin (2). Motion passed 3-2.

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(h) TO CONSIDER MATERIAL EXEMPT FROM DISCUSSION OR DISCLOSURE BY STATE STATUTE

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon and supported by Councilmember Bean to go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(h) to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state statute at 4:32 p.m. Ayes: Mayor Karl Lehmann, Councilmembers Lindsay Bean, Pat Scanlon, Stuart Skauge, and Mike Tonkin (5). Nays: None (0). Motion passed.

Returned to open session at 4:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Skauge, supported by Councilmember Bean and carried unanimously to accept the settlement offer as outlined in closed session.

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(c) FOR STRATEGY CONNECTED WITH A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon and supported by Councilmember Bean to go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(c) for strategy connected with a collective bargaining agreement at 4:47 p.m.

Returned to open session at 5:15 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Skauge and supported by Councilmember Bean to appoint as the management team for negotiation Mayor Lehmann, Councilmember Bean, Finance Director James Lampman, and City Attorney Bonnie Hoff. Ayes: Mayor Karl Lehmann, Councilmembers Lindsay Bean and Stuart Skauge (3). Nays: Councilmembers Pat Scanlon and Mike Tonkin (2). Motion passed 3-2.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:17 p.m., a motion was made by Mayor Lehmann, supported by Councilmember Bean and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith
Recording Secretary