

The Special Meeting of the Ishpeming City Council was held on Monday, June 24, 2019 in the Ishpeming City Hall Conference Room. Mayor Karl Lehmann called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Present: Mayor Karl Lehmann, Councilmembers Lindsay Bean, Stuart Skauge, Pat Scanlon, and Mike Tonkin (excused at 9:50 a.m.) (5). Also present was Interim City Manager James Lampman and City Attorney Bonnie Hoff.

AGENDA COMMENT

Mayor Lehmann asked that item 3, Discussion of Temporary Closure of Compost Site be moved to the beginning of the agenda.

DISCUSSION OF TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF COMPOST SITE

There was discussion regarding the temporary closure of the compost site, keeping consistency with the hours of operation of the site, and when it would be reopen.

A motion was made by Mayor Lehmann, supported by Councilmember Scanlon and carried unanimously to allow the DPW Director to set three days of operation per week for the Compost Site and two of the days would be Tuesday and Wednesday.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR PROPOSED US 41/LAKESHORE DRIVE ROUNDABOUT

Interim City Manager Lampman advised MDOT requested a letter of support from the City of Ishpeming for a grant being submitted for a proposed roundabout at the Lakeshore and US 41 intersection which would include a \$20,000 commitment from the City to the project.

There was discussion regarding the pros and cons of roundabouts, the speed limit on that portion of US 41, and the addition of the arrows that were installed at the intersection.

Councilmember Skauge and Tonkin did not feel another roundabout was needed in Ishpeming.

A motion was made by Councilmember Skauge and supported by Councilmember Tonkin to not support the proposed roundabout at the intersection of Lakeshore and US 41. Ayes: Councilmember Skauge and Tonkin (2). Nays: Mayor Lehmann, Councilmembers Bean and Scanlon (3). Motion failed.

A motion was made by Mayor Lehmann and supported by Councilmember Bean to support the proposed roundabout at the intersection of Lakeshore and US 41 including a commitment of \$20,000. Ayes: Mayor Lehmann, Councilmembers Bean and Scanlon (3). Nays: Councilmember Skauge and Tonkin (2). Motion passed.

Councilmember Tonkin was excused at 9:50 a.m. from the meeting for a scheduled appointment.

CONFIRM NO ACTION ON TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTIES

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon, supported by Councilmember Skauge and carried unanimously to confirm no action on the tax foreclosed properties as presented by County Treasurer Anne Giroux.

JASPERLITE SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT – BROWNFIELD LETTER OF SUPPORT

There was some brief discussion regarding the timeline of the project and the soils located in that area.

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon, supported by Councilmember Bean and carried unanimously to submit a Letter of Support to the County Brownfield Authority for the Jasperlite project.

SENIOR CENTER PUBLIC FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Interim City Manager James Lampman explained MEDC was requiring the Letter of Interest be submitted by June 25<sup>th</sup> for the proposed new Senior Center facility. He also advised the MEDC was requiring the City prepare a Request for Proposals for a Certified Grant Administrator to assist with the grant process which would be fully funded by the MEDC; there would be no cost to the City.

A motion was made by Mayor Lehmann, supported by Councilmember Scanlon and carried unanimously to approve the Letter of Interest to be sent to the MEDC for the proposed new Senior Center and authorize an RFP be sent out for a Certified Grant Administrator for the grant process.

DISCUSSION ON CITY MANAGER SEARCH AND SCHEDULE INTERVIEWS

Mayor Lehmann advised there were four applications included in the meeting packet. There was discussion on whether all four applicants should be interviewed. Councilmember Bean and Scanlon felt all the applicants should be interviewed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bean and supported by Councilmember Scanlon to interview William DeGroot. Ayes: Councilmembers Bean and Scanlon (2). Nays: Mayor Lehmann and Councilmember Skauge (2). Motion failed.

A motion was made by Mayor Lehmann and supported by Councilmember Scanlon to interview Harry Staven. Ayes: Mayor Lehmann, Councilmembers Bean and Scanlon (3). Nays: Councilmember Skauge (1). Motion passed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Skauge and supported by Mayor Lehmann to not interview John Ardaugh. Ayes: Mayor Lehmann and Councilmember Skauge (2). Nays: Councilmembers Bean and Scanlon (2). Motion failed.

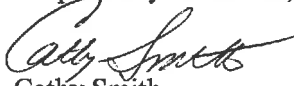
A motion was made by Mayor Lehmann and supported by Councilmember Bean to interview Fred Ventresco. Ayes: Mayor Lehmann, Councilmember Bean and Scanlon (3). Nays: Councilmember Skauge (1). Motion passed.

It was the consensus of Council to arrange the interviews for Tuesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:22 a.m., a motion was made by Councilmember Skauge, supported by Mayor Lehmann and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Cathy Smith  
City Clerk