

The Special Meeting of the Ishpeming City Council was held on Tuesday, July 30, 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 Interim City Manager James Lampman and City Attorney Bonnie Hoff.

AGENDA COMMENT – There was none.

VACANT CITY MANAGER POSITION

A motion was made by Mayor Karl Lehmann and supported by Councilmember Pat Scanlon to offer the City Manager position to Fred Ventresco. Ayes: Mayor Lehmann, Councilmember Bean, Scanlon, and Tonkin (4). Nays: Councilmember Skauge (1). Motion passed.

Councilmember Skauge felt he did not have enough experience particularly in communities the size of Ishpeming and thought that a better candidate would be found if Council kept looking. It was felt by other members of Council that Mr. Ventresco had the experience the City needed in many areas and would be a good fit for Ishpeming.

CITY MANAGER'S WAGES AND BENEFITS PACKAGE

Mayor Lehmann thanked Councilmembers Scanlon and Bean for developing the draft city manager agreement.

There was discussion regarding the starting wage of \$80,000 for the City Manager. Councilmember Skauge felt it was too high and should be lowered. Councilmember Bean explained how the wage was derived and felt it was a very fair wage.

A motion was made by Mayor Lehmann and supported by Councilmember Bean to adopt the City Manager Agreement as presented by the subcommittee. Ayes: Mayor Lehmann, Councilmember Bean, Scanlon, and Tonkin (4). Nays: Councilmember Skauge (1). Motion passed.

UPDATE ON LAKE BANCROFT PAVILION AND WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Brian Fabbri, GEI Consultants, advised there was a meeting earlier today regarding Buzz the Gut to be held on August 10th and reported the area including the parking lot would be cleaned up for the event. He gave a brief summary of the status of the Lake Bancroft pavilion project and the Rural Development Water Improvement Project.

SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION: LABOR DAY FESTIVITIES

A motion was made by Councilmember Skauge, supported by Councilmember Scanlon and carried unanimously to approve the special event application for the Labor Day Festivities to be held on Monday, September 2nd at Lake Bancroft Park.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:34 p.m., a motion was made by Mayor Lehmann, supported by Councilmember Scanlon and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith
City Clerk