

The Special Meeting of the Ishpeming City Council was held on Wednesday, May 20, 2020, in the Ishpeming City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Mike Tonkin called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Mike Tonkin, Councilmembers, Lindsay Bean, Jason Chapman, Stuart Skaug, and Pat Scanlon (5). Also present was City Manager Craig Cugini and City Attorney position is vacant.

AGENDA COMMENT – There was none.

CITY ATTORNEY INTERVIEW – CAROLINE BRIDGES

Manager Cugini provided Council with the Skill Score Development worksheet to evaluate the candidate for the City Attorney. He advised one Statement of Qualifications was received from Caroline Bridges. He would ask the questions of the candidate for the interview; Councilmembers would have an opportunity to ask questions; and then the candidate could ask questions.

Manager Cugini proceeded with the questions to Candidate Caroline Bridges for the City of Ishpeming Attorney position. Each Council member then asked question pertaining to her statement of qualifications and references.

Council thanked Caroline Bridges for the interview and advised the City Manager would be in touch.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM REPRESENTATIVE SARA CAMBENSY

Representative Cambensy provided a legislative update to Council via Zoom discussing budget, COVID-19, and potential funding/reimbursement to municipalities. Municipalities should be tracking costs associated with COVID-19.

SOFTWARE AS A SERVICE AND SPECTRUM LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SENSUS USA, INC.

Manager Cugini advised this lease agreement was with Core and Main and included long term support which covered software and the radio license for the water meter radio read system.

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon and supported by Councilmember Bean to execute the 5-year lease agreement with Core and Main as presented. Ayes: Mayor Mike Tonkin, Councilmembers Lindsay Bean, Jason Chapman, and Pat Scanlon (4). Nays: Councilmember Stuart Skaug (1). Motion passed 4-1.

Council discussed the interview with applicant Caroline Bridges. Manager Cugini reviewed the score sheets provided by Council. Mayor Tonkin expressed concerns with some issues he uncovered during his research of the applicant.

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon, supported by Councilmember Chapman to direct the City Manager to execute a contract with Caroline Bridges for attorney services for one year. Ayes: Councilmembers Lindsay Bean, Jason Chapman, Pat Scanlon, and Stuart Skaug (4). Nays: Mayor Mike Tonkin (1). Motion passed 4-1.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:50 p.m., a motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon, supported by Councilmember Bean and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith  
City Clerk