

***Council Proceedings, July 29, 2021
Ishpeming, MI 49849***

The Special Meeting of the Ishpeming City Council was held on Thursday, July 29, 2021, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Lindsay Bean called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Lindsay Bean, Councilmembers Jason Chapman, Elizabeth Firby, Pat Scanlon, and Stuart Skauge (5). Also present was City Manager Craig Cugini.

AGENDA COMMENT – Public comment was offered via Zoom and in person. There was no public comment.

2021 AUDIT PRESENTATION

Mike Grentz, Anderson Tackman and Company, presented the 2020 Audit. The largest change in the budget was the decrease in expenditures. The overall budget looked good. He reviewed the fund balance and noted it was advisable to have 60-120 days of fund balance and the City is currently in that range. He further reviewed the revenues and expenditures in the various funds. He reviewed the current MERS pension liability and Police and Fire Retirement Fund. There were no findings to note for 2020. Everything looked good with procedures and with the new software program BS&A.

Councilmember Scanlon thanked staff for all their work with the new BS&A program.

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon, supported by Councilmember Skauge and carried unanimously to approve the 2020 Audit as presented.

ESTIMATE FROM SUPERIOR AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR REPAIRS TO THE DPW HOIST

Manager Cugini advised the truck lift was recently inspected and some corrections were needed. The cost to replace the lift was in excess of \$20,000 and the cost to repair was approximately \$5,200. Staff recommended repairs be approved.

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon, supported by Councilmember Chapman and carried unanimously to approve the estimate from Superior Automotive for the repairs to the DPW truck hoist in the amount of \$5,200.

ESTIMATE FROM SUPERIOR PAVING-PATCH ON SECOND STREET, FIRST STREET AND ALLEY

Manager Cugini advised this patching necessary due to a sewer main break that had occurred.

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon supported by Councilmember Chapman and carried unanimously to approve the paving estimate from Superior Paving for the patching on Second Street, First Street, and the alley due to repairs to the sewer main in the amount of \$30,200.

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Scanlon and supported by Councilmember Firby to go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(c) to consider strategy and negotiations connected with a collective bargaining agreement and to invite Jim Lampman, Finance Director, to attend at 6:20 p.m. Ayes: Mayor Lindsay Bean, Council Members Jason Chapman, Elizabeth Firby, Pat Scanlon, and Stuart Skauge (5). Nays: None (0). Motion passed 5-0.

Returned to open session at 7:13p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:14 p.m., a motion was made by Councilmember Firby, supported by Councilmember Chapman, and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith, City Clerk/Assistant to the City Manager