

The Regular Meeting of the Ishpeming City Council was held on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 in the Ishpeming Senior Center. Mayor Mike Tonkin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Mike Tonkin, Council Members Claudia Demarest, Joseph Juidici, Justin Koski, and Mike Tall (5). Also present were City Manager Mark Slown and City Attorney Bonnie Hoff.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Perkins, 500 W. Division Street, requested Euclid Street between First and Second Street be closed on Saturday, May 9, 2015 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to construct the Farm. Access would be left open for the home on the corner of Euclid and Second and Bell Forest Products was aware of the request as they were providing power to construct. It was the consensus of Council to take up this request under New Business.

Stuart Skauge, a member of the Downtown Development Authority, urged the Council to keep the entire area around Lake Bancroft for public use and not private. Constructing a pavilion with the monies received from the Cliffs Eagle Mine Marquette County Community Foundation would enhance the area and allow for public use.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Juidici and carried unanimously to remove items 25a and 25b from the agenda.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Tall and carried unanimously to approve the remainder of the agenda as presented.

AGENDA COMMENT – There was none.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Councilman Juidici, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to approve the April 6th, 8th, and 13th minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS

A motion was made by Councilman Tall, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve the disbursements as presented.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Lampman summarized the monthly financial statements reviewing the various funds and the balance sheet. A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Juidici and carried unanimously to approve the financial statements as presented.

RECOGNITION OF DOMINIC BERTUCCI, YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT

Dominic Bertucci, Ishpeming High School Youth in Government, advised he was elected Youth Governor and would represent the Upper Peninsula on the State level. He would be attending the Youth Governor Conference in Washington, D.C. and was excited to work on different projects. Councilwoman Demarest congratulated Dominic on his accomplishments.

A motion was made by Councilman Tall, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to have Mr. Slown work with the Youth in Government program at the High School to encourage students be more active in local government.

PRESENTATION - MINING MUSEUM

Mark Dyer, from the Mining Museum, gave highlights of the museum, showed slides, and gave a brief history of mining in the area. He explained the museum was opened from June through Labor Day and several people would take the mine tour. He noted many events were held in that location and reminded everyone the museum played an important role in the community.

PRESENTATION - LAKE SUPERIOR COMMUNITY PARTNSHIP

Amy Clickner reported the LSCP was the first partnership to be accredited and was recently accredited for another three years. They also won the silver award for the website. She further summarized the Partnership's accomplishments for 2014.

Carolee Swanberg reviewed the Partnership's accomplishments on the west end along with dollars spent in the City of Ishpeming such as with the Cognition Brewing Company, Crossfit 906, and Harju Logging.

PRESENTATION BY 40 BELOW – 2ND ANNUAL IRON RANGE ROLL

Ryan Nummela, 40 Below President, briefly highlighted last year's race and advised they raised \$5,000 for the YMCA's Reach and Rise Youth Mentoring program. 40 Below would like support from the City to hold the race and would like to request barricades be provided from DPW which volunteers would set into place and then return to the same location. He advised Euclid Street would be closed for approximately 1 hour prior to the race.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Juidici and carried unanimously to approve the 40 Below-2nd Annual Iron Range Roll on Saturday, June 6th with the contingencies that no paint would be used on the trail and a Certificate of Insurance would be provided naming the City as an additional insured.

PRESENTATION BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – NORTHERN LIGHTS RAVE RUN

Kori Tossava highlighted last year's Northern Lights Rave Run and explained what the race would encompass and what changes would be made for this year. They would be using back drops around the music to help with the noise. The Chamber and volunteers would do all the post-race clean up.

A motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Councilman Juidici and carried unanimously to approve the 2015 Northern Lights Rave Run on August 22nd with the contingencies that no paint would be used on the trails, music would end promptly at 10:00 p.m., and a Certificate of Insurance would be provided naming the City as an additional insured.

REQUEST FOR ROAD CLOSURE AND DPW ASSISTANCE – ISHPEMING
RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Tall and carried unanimously to approve the request from the Ishpeming Renaissance Festival for the Faire in August as presented.

REQUEST FROM COGNITION BREWING COMPANY

Jay Clancey was requesting a street closure and temporary liquor license for the Cognition Brewing Company for July 1st through July 5th. He further requested Council to consider the permanent closure of Maple Street in the future and also requested a bike rack be placed in the vicinity of his establishment. Mr. Slown advised further review would have to be given to permanent closure of Maple Street and relocation of a bike rack.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve the temporary street closure and liquor license for July 1st through July 5th; provide a certificate of insurance naming the City as an additional insured; and no holes were to be put in the blacktop if tents were being used.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PURCHASE OF THERMAL IMAGERS

A motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to approve the purchase of thermal imagers for a total of \$8,840 with a 50% match from the MMRMA RAP grant.

LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS AT THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Juidici and carried unanimously to approve the proposal from Clancey Electric in the amount not-to-exceed \$6,630 to install lighting at the Library with the Manager's recommendation to waive competitive bidding.

RELOCATION OF PEG CHANNEL FROM CITY HALL TO HIGH SCHOOL

A motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to approve the relocation of the PEG channel to the Ishpeming High School in the amount not-to-exceed \$5,486.56 with the Manager's recommendation to waive competitive bidding.

NMU DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT FOR CITY ARCHIVAL RECORDS

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Juidici and carried unanimously to approve the Public Records Depository Agreement with Northern Michigan University as presented and authorize the Manager to sign. Mr. Slown thanked Councilwoman Demarest for making this happen.

ADOPT RESOLUTION INCORPORATING MALTON RD. INTO CITY STREET SYSTEM

A motion was made by Councilman Juidici, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to adopt the resolution to add Malton Road into the City Street System.

REQUEST FROM RICHARD KOSKI TO PURCHASE CITY PROPERTY

Richard Koski stated he was interested in purchasing a 40x80 piece of property located by the park on Juniper Street.

A motion was made by Councilman Juidici, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to table this item until further research and information was gathered regarding the request.

PROPOSAL FROM GEI CONSULTANTS FOR SAW GRANT AND ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN WORK – PHASE 1

The SAW grant was 100% grant and it would cover investigations into storm water and sanitary sewer systems along with a full system inventory. This would run concurrent with the water project. Any work started after January of 2013 would be fully reimbursable from the grant. Mr. Slown recommended competitive bidding be waived.

A motion was made by Councilman Tall, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to approve the proposal from GEI for SAW Grant and Asset Management Plan Work-Phase 1 in the amount not-to-exceed \$86,400 and to waive competitive bidding.

RECOMMENDATION FOR MONDAY HOURS AT THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY

Jesse Shirtz, Library Director, reported the Library Board requested the library open for a few hours on Mondays, on a trial basis. She recommended this new schedule begin after construction was complete.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. hours on Mondays at the Carnegie Library.

SCHEDULE JOINT MEETING WITH DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest, supported by Councilman Juidici and carried unanimously to schedule the joint meeting with the Downtown Development Authority for Tuesday, May 26th at 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room to discuss the TIF District boundary and the Lake Bancroft project.

PERMISSION FOR MANAGER TO TRAVEL OUTSIDE MARQUETTE COUNTY

A motion was made by Councilman Tall, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to approve the Manager's travel outside of Marquette County on three separate occasions: May 6th, Gladstone for USDA; May 14 and 15th, Munising for Manager's meeting; and June 4 and 5th, Sault St. Marie for MML Summit.

REAPPOINT MARY VALENTI TO THE CEMETERY BOARD

A motion was made by Councilman Juidici, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to reappoint Mary Valenti to a five year term on the Cemetery Board.

REAPPOINT DARREN BOLDT TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest supported by Councilman Tall and carried unanimously to reappoint Darren Boldt to a five year term on the Library Board.

REAPPOINT DALE THOMAS AND STEVE PIERESON TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

A motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to reappoint Dale Thomas and Steve Piereson to three year terms on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Councilman Juidici, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to approve the street closure on Euclid Street, between First and Second Street, to construct the Farm on Saturday, May 9, 2015.

A motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to set a special City Council meeting for Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference room.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Koski commended the DPW on cleaning up the streets; reported on the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting and was happy to see so many organizations holding their events at Al Quaal.

Councilman Juidici attended the Events Policy AdHoc Committee meeting and stated great progress was being made and the draft policy should be on the June Council agenda.

Councilwoman Demarest reported she attended the Library Board meeting and the elevator project was on schedule; and \$100,000 grant was received from the Marquette County Community Fund for the large window replacement.

Councilman Tall attended the Central Dispatch and the Housing Commission meeting.

Mayor Tonkin attended the Planning Commission meeting and they were making progress with the mapping and zoning ordinance update; he attended the Partridge Creek Farm kick-off; the first Beautification meeting; there was a public meeting with the City and MDOT for the roundabout and Second/Third Street Connector project; a Neighborhood Improvement Committee had a presentation by Matt Wiese, County Prosecuting Attorney; and the Inspiration Zone would have their Kick-off spring cleanup day on May 16th.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Ms. Hoff advised the Event Policy Committee had been working diligently and would have a very nice document to present to Council; she was excited to have Karen Casper working with

NMU on the archival records; and she congratulated the Bertucci's on their son's accomplishments.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Councilwoman Demarest and supported by Councilman Juidici to go into closed session to discuss collective bargaining pursuant to MCL 15.268 at 9:20 p.m. Ayes: Mayor Tonkin, Council Members Demarest, Juidici, Koski, and Tall (5). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:46 p.m., a motion was made by Councilman Juidici, supported by Councilwoman Demarest and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith
Recording Secretary