

The Special Meeting of the Ishpeming City Council was held on Thursday, March 2, 2017 in the Ishpeming City Hall Conference Room. Mayor Joseph Juidici called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Present: Mayor Joseph Juidici, Council Members Justin Koski (arrived at 10:07 a.m.), Karl Lehmann, Stuart Skauge, and Mike Tonkin (5). Also present was City Manager Mark Slown and Attorney Bonnie Hoff.

AGENDA COMMENT - There was none.

DISCUSSION ON UTILITY BILLING AND PAYMENT POLICY

Jodi Champion, Utility Billing Clerk, reviewed the billing process for utility bills, explained the extensions available to customers, and noted the number of shut offs had went down substantially after the implementation of the policy.

Jon Kangas explained the policy was developed because corrective action was needed due to the number of delinquent accounts. If it were revised and made too lenient that problem could reoccur. The Public Notice of Disconnect (PND) fee could be adjusted; however, the cost for placement of the PND should be incurred by the utility customer receiving it.

Councilman Lehmann summarized his concerns with the policy and felt his concerns were addressed with the current revisions and the policy was acceptable as written.

A motion was made by Councilman Lehmann, supported by Councilman Juidici and carried unanimously to accept the revisions of the Utility Billing and Payment Policy as presented.

There was deliberation regarding the number of checks returned for Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF), the NSF fee charged by the bank, and the NSF fee charged by the City.

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Koski and carried unanimously to reduce the Non-Sufficient Funds fee from \$50.00 to \$30.00 in the 2017 Fee Schedule.

APPOINTMENT OF BROOK ROUTHIER TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

A motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Councilman Lehmann and carried unanimously to appoint Brook Routhier to fill a vacancy on the Planning Commission with the term expiring November 2018.

REVISED MARQUETTE COUNTY DUAL STREAM RECYCLING AGREEMENT

There was brief discussion regarding the changes to the Dual Stream Recycling Agreement.

A motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Councilman Tonkin and carried unanimously to approve the revised Dual Stream Recycling Agreement as presented and authorize the Mayor to sign.

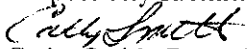
PURCHASE OF 2017 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR FROM SIGNATURE FORD

A motion was made by Councilman Skauge, supported by Councilman Lehmann and carried unanimously to authorize the Police Department to purchase the 2017 Police Interceptor in the not to exceed amount of \$28,000 and waive competitive bidding on the recommendation of the City Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:00 a.m., a motion was made by Councilman Koski, supported by Councilman Tonkin and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,


Cathy Smith, Recording Secretary