

## *City of Iron Mountain*

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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan held on Monday, December 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Revord, Blomquist, Zemar & Clawson

Absent: Council Members Schinderle & Maule

Also Present: City Manager Stanchina, Chief Financial Officer Lieburn & City Attorney Pirkola

### **Approval of Agenda**

It was moved by Revord and supported by Blomquist to approve the agenda, as presented.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to approve the minutes of December 2, 2019, as presented.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Public Comment**

*Dan Bailey – 619 E. F St.*

Bailey raised the issue of parking access for his handicapped wife in front of his home, snow removal at intersections, alley maintenance concerns and salt/sand concerns. Alessandrini directed the City Manager to follow up.

*Casey Yaeger – Rize Representative*

Yaeger stressed the importance of giving Rize a chance to get established before adding licenses.

### **Public Hearing**

#### **Vacate 100' of the 500 Block of Chapin St.**

Stanchina outlined the proposed vacation.

Alessandrini opened the Public Hearing.

No comments were received.

Alessandrini closed the Public Hearing.

#### **Zoning Ordinance Amendment Re: Section 74-420 Accessory Buildings**

Stanchina presented the amendment to Section 74-420 Accessory Buildings.

Alessandrini opened the Public Hearing.

No comments were received.

Alessandrini closed the Public Hearing.

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**323 S. Stephenson Ave. CDBG Rental Rehab Grant Application**

Alessandrini opened the Public Hearing.

No comments were received.

Alessandrini closed the Public Hearing.

**Old Business**

**Consideration to Vacate 100' of the 500 Block of Chapin St.**

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Clawson to approve the vacation of 100' of unimproved Chapin Street beginning at the northern right-of-way line of 5th Street.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Consider Zoning Ordinance Amendment Re: Section 74-420 Accessory Buildings**

It was moved by Revord and supported by Blomquist to approve the adoption of the amendments to Section 74-420, as submitted.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

**Adoption of Resolution Re: 323 S. Stephenson Ave. CDBG Rental Rehab Grant Application**

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Revord to approve the resolution adopting the CDBG Rental Rehab Grant Application resolution, as presented.

Revord	Aye
Alessandrini	Aye
Blomquist	Abstain
Zemar	Aye
Clawson	Aye

**Motion Prevailed** (Aye-4, Nay-0, Abstain-1)

**New Business**

**Special Use Permit Re: 401 S. Kimberly Ave.**

Stanchina submitted the request by Karen Kovars, representing a 12-Step Program Center, for a Special Use Permit for a "center for social activities" at 401 S. Kimberly Avenue and the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval.

Stanchina confirmed that on-street parking can't be reserved for individual representatives, the building would more than likely continue to not pay property taxes and parking on Kimberly Avenue would have to be reviewed.

Revord imparted the importance of offering this service in our community.

*Rachel Solom – 503 Norway St.*

Solom indicated that the proposed use would be great for the community and that there have not been parking issues in the past.

*Karen Kovars – 803 S. Kimberly Ave.*

Kovars conveyed that the building will be mortgage-free, the 12-Steps Program Center will be able to apply for grants to aid in continued building upkeep and the building is currently in good condition. Alessandrini asked that the 12-Steps Program Center work with the Badinis concerning parking. Kovars thanked the City Council for their consideration of this matter.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Revord to approve the Special Use Permit for the 12-Step Program Center as a "center for social activities" at 401 S. Kimberly Avenue, contingent upon allowing the Planning Commission to recommend, review, and/or adjust the special use to the City Council based on periodic inspections or complaints.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

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### **Opening of Proposals Re: 2020 Small Urban Program**

Stanchina reviewed the project and opened the 2020 Small Urban Program proposals:

UPEA	\$53,100
GEI	\$65,168
Coleman	\$42,712

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Blomquist to refer the proposals to staff.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Special Use Permit Amendment Re: 1330 N. Stephenson Ave.**

Stanchina presented a request by Alan Arcand, owner of 1330 N. Stephenson Ave., to amend his special use permit from 14 Used Car Sales display spots to 12 to allow an additional area for the enlargement of his facility. Arcand verified that he should have the correct amount of cars on his lot.

It was moved by Revord and supported by Alessandrini to amend the Special Use Permit for Alan Arcand, owner of 1330 N. Stephenson Ave., from 14 Used Car Sales display spots to 12 to allow an additional area for the enlargement of his facility

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **Discuss Establishing a Public Hearing to Amend Ordinance Re: Chapter 14 Business, Article VIII Recreational Marijuana Establishments**

Alessandrini questioned where the material that is grown by companies that don't have a license to sell will be sold and how Rize will be affected by the issuance of additional licenses. Stanchina relayed that they could sell to other establishments in Michigan. Blomquist highlighted that the public hearing would give an opportunity to solicit comments.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Zemar to hold on January 6, 2019, at 6:00 PM.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

## **Reports**

### **Financial Reports**

#### **November Claims and Payroll**

Stanchina informed the City Council that this is the last statement with inconsistent check numbers.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to approve Payroll in the amount of \$408,688.68 and Claims in the amount of \$505,750.01 with net claims being \$330,242.62.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

### **City Manager Reports**

#### *Deer Management*

Stanchina stated that a total of 13 deer had been taken during the 2019 Deer Management Program and that our programs has harvested as successful as the City of Kingsford.

#### *Census 2020*

Stanchina communicated that he will be meeting to discuss Census 2020 best practices and the importance of accurate information.

#### *County Brownfield*

Stanchina announced that there will be brownfield training on February 11, 2019, at Bay College. He asserted that the former Oldenberg office building will be the first project.

Alessandrini reiterated his suggestion to allow part-time plow positions. Stanchina explained the circumstances that resulted in the recent plowing issues and the challenges to utilizing additional part-time positions. He addressed Bailey's plowing concerns.

### **City Attorney Reports**

None

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**Committee Reports**

Stanchina relayed that the Infrastructure Committee will be meeting to discuss engineering proposals.

**Public Comment**

*Dave Fraser-N5991 HY M-95*

Fraser questioned if all recreational license fees are due on Monday. Stanchina stated that all recreational license fees are due on Monday and a waiting list will be formed based on the submissions.

*Casey Yaeger – Rize Representative*

Yaeger requested clarification regarding the Council's intended level of dispensary licenses. Stanchina explained the adult-use marijuana scoring rubric.

**Council Member Privilege**

Clawson noted that he attended his first Downtown Development Authority and Police and Fire Pension Board meetings. Alessandrini wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

**Adjournment**

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Zemar to adjourn.

**Motion Prevailed Unanimously**

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.



Isaac Micheau  
Clerk-Treasurer