

CITY OF IRON MOUNTAIN*CITY COUNCIL*MAY 16, 2022

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Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Iron Mountain, County of Dickinson, Michigan, held on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

Presiding: Mayor Alessandrini

Present: Council Members Tomassoni, Maule, Farragh, Blomquist, Zemar, and Clawson

Absent: None

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

Approval of Agenda

Alessandrini asked that "Approval of Sidewalk Art" be added as item number five under New Business. It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Maule to approve the agenda, as amended.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Maule noted that the last sentence of item one under New Business should state "as it terminates at the veteran's memorial" not "it terminates at" and that she agreed with Clawson's sentiments.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Clawson to approve the minutes of May 2, 2022, as amended.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Public Comment

None

Public Hearing

Adoption of the FYE June 30, 2023 Budget

Alessandrini opened the public hearing.

No comments were received.

Alessandrini closed the public hearing.

Old Business

Special Use Permit Re: 503 W. E St.

Stanchina detailed the request by Open Door Counsel & Life Coaching, LLC and the recommendation of the Planning Commission to allow a Special Use Permit for the offering of coaching services at 503 W. E St. The applicant, Kate Burie, stated her educational background.

It was moved by Blomquist and supported by Maule to approve the Special Use Permit request by Open Door Counsel & Life Coaching, LLC, contingent upon services being offered between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, counseling services only being offered by the applicant, and a review of the Special Use Permit being conducted based on a documented complaint.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Adoption of the FYE June 30, 2023, Budget

Stanchina highlighted the larger than expected increase in tax revenue due to taxable value growth, increased required Police and Fire Pension Fund contribution, decreased millage rate being levied for the School Liaison Officer, amount the City spends on health insurance, available paving budget, need to increase water and sewer rates, current staffing levels, and equipment replacement goals.

Clawson and Alessandrini complimented Stanchina and Lieburn on their work during the budget process.

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It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Tomassoni to adopt the FYE June 30, 2023 Budget, as presented.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

New Business

Approval of Quote from PK Contracting Re: Major Street Line Striping and Pavement Markings

Stanchina communicated that supply constraints may cause this project to not be completed.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Clawson to approve the quote from PK Contracting for major street line striping at a cost of \$13,563.84.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval to Purchase Re: Scraper Blades

Stanchina imparted that it would be best for the City to order winter scraping blades now at a cost of \$7,708.76 from Road Machinery & Supplies Co. due to longer than estimated delivery dates.

It was moved by Maule and supported by Blomquist to authorize the purchase of winter scraping blades from Road Machinery & Supplies Co., as quoted at a cost of \$7,708.76.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Planning Commission Appointment Re: Holly DeGroot

Stanchina recommended that Holly DeGroot be appointed to the Planning Commission for a three-year term to expire on May 19, 2025.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Blomquist to appoint Holly DeGroot to the Planning Commission for a three-year term to expire on May 19, 2025.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of 2022-2023 Dues Re: Michigan Municipal League

Stanchina conveyed his support for paying the 2022-2023 Dues to the Michigan Municipal League with the exception of the legal defense fund.

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Maule to authorize the payment of the 2022-2023 Michigan Municipal League dues in the amount of \$4,880.00.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Approval of Sidewalk Art

Stanchina outlined the proposed sidewalk art event for Mental Health Awareness Month.

It was moved by Maule and supported by Zemar to approve the holding of the Michigan State University Extension 4-H sidewalk art event in front of the Dickinson County Library from 10:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. on June 9, 2022.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

It was moved by Alessandrini and supported by Blomquist to approve a 5.0% increase in water and sewer consumption rates effective July 1, 2022.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Reports

Financial Reports

April Payroll and 4/14/2022-05/11/2022 Claims

Stanchina relayed that Fire Department and Police Department are high due to staffing levels.

It was moved by Maule and supported by Farragh to approve payroll in the amount of \$444,954.09 and claims in the amount of \$395,548.18 with net claims being \$336,313.88.

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

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City Manager Reports

The City Manager reported the following:

1. The annual 2021 paving project has been completed.
2. The maps on the City's GIS are updated with additional improvements to follow.
3. The progress of the County's Kramer Dr. paving project.
4. The new police vehicle is ready with the exception of decals and gun rack.
5. The progress of the LED Street Light project was updated.
6. The status of the City-wide leaf pickup was provided.
7. City residents brought 220 loads of rubbish to the city's annual drop off event.

City Attorney Reports

None

Committee Reports

None

Public Comment

None

Council Member Privilege

Maule requested an update on the current August Lilja Family Memorial Fund project. She also indicated that there is a manhole sinking at the intersection of West D Street and Van Buren Street. In addition, Maule thanked the Iron Mountain Police Department and Fire Department for their good work.

Alessandrini informed the Council that RIZE donated the two planters at the entrance of City Hall.

Adjournment

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

Motion Prevailed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.


Isaac Micheau
Clerk-Treasurer