

**MINUTES  
CITY OF NEGAUNEE REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 9, 2016**

A Regular Meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Thursday June 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Negaunee Senior Center.

Members Present: Mayor Schuhknecht, Council Members Visser, Kangas, Smith, Saari, Wallner and Gladwell

Members Absent: None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Gladwell, supported by Council Member Smith and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one from the public wished to comment.

**ORDINANCE #415 AMENDMENT – OFF ROAD RECREATION VEHICLE – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING**

A motion was made by Council Member Gladwell, supported by Council Member Visser and unanimously carried to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the All Terrain Vehicle Use Amendment – Ordinance #415 with specified changes in section (2) (D) and set a public hearing for the July 14, 2016 Regular meeting to consider public input.

**CITY COMPOST SITE**

City Manager Thornton briefed the Council on various issues and abuses at the City's compost site. Rules are not being followed with inappropriate dumping and commercial contractors are utilizing the facility. He also informed the Council that there will DEQ regulation changes that will drastically affect what we can and cannot handle at our site. A recommendation for the Council to consider would be to end the use of the compost site in that the Marquette County Landfill of which we are an owner provides the same service.

A motion was made by Mayor Schuhknecht and supported by Council Member Gladwell to close the gates of the compost site with signs directing citizen's to the Marquette County Landfill until the situation can be assessed for the next meeting.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Member Kangas and Mayor Schuhknecht

Nays: Council Members Visser, Smith, Saari, Wallner, and Gladwell

The motion failed on a 5-2 vote.

After discussion it was decided the City Manager would come back to the Council with options to consider.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Saari and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: May 12, 2016 Regular Minutes, Claims and Accounts paid in the amount of \$369,192.76 (checks #73822-73999), Revenue/Expenditure Trial Balances.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tonja Acker-Richards addressed the Council in what she wants to see from the Council regarding issues they are facing.

Bill Richards addressed the Council regarding his property at 82 Croix St.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Gladwell reminded everyone about Pioneer Days.

Council Member Saari commented on the water samples to the DEQ and when the results come back to the City they should be addressed to the City Manager as well.

Mayor Schuhknecht commented on the recent flyer from Irontown regarding donating to the fireworks. She commented on the Compost site and reminded everyone to follow the rules and to please utilize the twice a month drop off site for non compostable items.

### **CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Thornton commented on enforcing the rules at the compost site and that it is for residents only. He commented that the water/sewer foreman holds the water license that is why he receives the water sample results but that the City Manager is also notified by email.

## **CITY ATTORNEY**

City Attorney Houghton gave a brief update on the last meeting with the county regarding the Sundberg Building and that a July 14<sup>th</sup> was set for the Sundberg Representatives to come back to the board with more information.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Wallner and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

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Ann Ducoli  
Deputy Clerk