

**MINUTES
CITY OF NEGAUNEE SPECIAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2017**

A Special Meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Monday February 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Negaunee Senior Center.

Members Present: Mayor Gladwell, Council Members Kangas, Smith, Visser, Wallner, Kantola and Anderson

Members Absent: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dawn Schuhknecht addressed the Council that there are Council Members that have their own agendas and that the City Manager has done an awesome job.

Mike VanStraten addressed the Council and cautioned them to be careful and not be on the Council for their personal agendas.

CITY MANAGER EVALUATION

City Manager Thornton asked to go into Closed Session for his evaluation.

A motion was made by Council Member Visser and supported by Council Member Smith to go into Closed Session for the City Manager Evaluation.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Kangas, Smith, Visser, Wallner, Kantola, Anderson and Mayor Gladwell

Nays: none

The motion passed on a 7-0 vote.

The meeting was called back into Open Session at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith and supported by Council Member Visser to approve a Settlement and Release Agreement with City Manager Thornton.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Smith, Visser, Wallner, Kantola and Anderson

Nays: Council Member Kangas and Mayor Gladwell

The motion passed on a 5-2 vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Kangas wished City Manager Thornton good luck and thanked him for his time here.

Council Member Smith thanked City Manager Thornton and stating that the City is moving in a different direction.

Council Member Visser thanked the City Manager and also stated that the City is moving in a different direction.

Council Member Wallner thanked the City Manager.

Council Member Anderson thanked the City Manager and wished him well.

Mayor Gladwell thanked the City Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Council Member Kangas, supported by Council Member Smith and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Ann Ducoli
Deputy Clerk