

**MINUTES  
CITY OF NEGAUNEE REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 9, 2023**

A Regular Meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Thursday March 9, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Negaunee Senior Center.

Members Present: Mayor Kangas, Council Members Stagliano, Ilmonen, Smith, LaLonde and Howard

Members Absent: Council Member Karki

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Smith and supported by Council Member Ilmonen to approve the agenda as presented.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Stagliano, Ilmonen, Smith, Lalonde and Mayor Kangas

Nays: Council Member Howard

The motion passed 5-1

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one from the public wished to comment.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Kangas opened the public hearing regarding the second reading of #153 PMC amendment removing the diversionary team from the ordinance.

No one from the public wished to comment.

Mayor Kangas closed the public hearing.

Council Member Ilmonen made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and approve the amendment to #153 Property Maintenance Code.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Ilmonen, Smith, LaLonde, Howard, Stagliano and Mayor Kangas

Nays: None

The motion passed on a 6-0 vote.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Kangas opened the public hearing regarding #51.50 Well Ordinance. No one from the public wished to comment.

Mayor Kangas closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member Stagliano and supported by Council Member LaLonde to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt ordinance #51.50 Wells.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Smith, LaLonde, Stagliano, Ilmonen, Mayor Kangas

Nays: Council Member Howard

The motion passed on a 5-1 vote.

## **1<sup>ST</sup> READING – ZONING DEFINITION AMENDMENT – BED AND BREAKFAST/SHORT TERM RENTALS**

A motion was made by Council Member Ilmonen, supported by Council Member Stagliano and unanimously carried to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading the set a public hearing for the April regular meeting.

## **WATER TOWER PAINTING**

A motion was made by Council Member Ilmonen, supported by Council Member LaLonde and unanimously carried to allow the contractors to choose the color of the water tower to match as close as it is now and to approve to go out on bids.

## **¾ TON PICKUP TRUCK BID REJECTION**

A motion was made by Council Member Howard, supported by Council Member Smith and unanimously carried to reject the bids for the ¾ ton pickup truck.

## **1 TON DUMP TRUCK BID**

A motion was made by Council Member LaLonde, supported by Council Member Smith and unanimously carried to approve the low bid for in the amount of \$67,351.23 from Fox Marquette

with monies coming from the Water, Sewer, Equipment, Electric and Cemetery Funds for \$14,000/each.

### **2023 WENONAH STREET WATER PROJECT**

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Stagliano and unanimously carried to accept the low bid of \$270,485 from Ultra Construction with monies being paid from the Water Fund capital outlay.

### **T-LINE EASEMENT AGREEMENT - SUBSTATION**

A motion was made by Council Member Howard, supported by Council Member Ilmonen and unanimously carried to approve the easement agreement.

### **2022 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member LaLonde and unanimously carried to approve the 2022 Budget Adjustments.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Smith and supported by Council Member Stagliano to approve the consent agenda as follows: February 9<sup>th</sup> minutes, claims and accounts in the amount of \$589,074.29 (checks #85020-85137), Revenue/Expenditure Estimated Trail Balance reports, Wage Change-Planning/Zoning Admin, MDOT Resolution – Small Urban, UPEA contract – Small Urban Project.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Member Stagliano, Ilmonen, Smith, LaLonde, Mayor Kangas

Nays: Council Member Howard

The motion passed on a 5-1 vote.

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Council Member LaLonde commented on taking a ride in the DPW sander.

Council Member Smith commented on the recent snow fall and that the DPW should have gone out earlier. He also commented on receiving feedback regarding the parking restrictions during events.

Council Member Howard commented on the city magazine and the streetscape project and how it would relate to parking.

Council Member Stagliano commented on the streetscape and that it is not an official picture in the magazine.

#### **CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Heffron commented on a joint meeting with the planning commission, the RAP grant on page 18 in the magazine and no cut out curbs and that public meetings would be scheduled, the substation bond.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY**

City Attorney Pickens commented on the Kirkwood litigation and the dismissed claims.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss and motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member LaLonde to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.



Ann Ducoli  
Deputy Clerk