

**MINUTES
CITY OF NEGAUNEE REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2023**

A Regular meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Thursday September 14, 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 LaLonde, supported by Council Member Smith, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lisa Bowers, PAAC was present regarding the VISTA update.

2024 BUDGET

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Stagliano, and unanimously carried to set a public hearing for the October 12th regular meeting on the 2024 budget.

TRUTH IN TAXATION FORM

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Stagliano, and unanimously carried to set the millage rates and have the Mayor and City Clerk sign form 4029.

USDA WATER PROJECT PHASE I – CHANGE ORDER 3

A motion was made by Council Member Ilmonen and supported by Council Member Smith to approve change order 3 in the amount of \$184,241.05.

The following roll call vote was taken:

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

Nays: Council Member Howard

The motion passed on a 6-1 vote.

USDA DRAW #10

A motion was made by Council Member LaLonde, supported by Council Member Stagliano, and unanimously carried to approved draw #10 in the amount of \$417,041.32 participating and \$470,940.21 non-participating.

WATER TOWER CHANGE ORDER #1 & #2

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member LaLonde, and unanimously carried to approve Change Order 1 in the amount of \$8,000 for lettering and Change Order #2 in the amount of \$25,688 for delay and remobilizing dur to City valve issues.

LADDER TRUCK EMERGENCY REPAIRS

A motion was made by Council Member Howard, supported by Council Member Lalonde, and unanimously carried to approve the estimate of \$12,198.36 from Red Power Diesel to make emergency repairs to the ladder truck with monies being paid from the equipment fund.

MILLER ROAD BIDS

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member LaLonde, and unanimously carried to award the low bid to Ultra Construction in the amount of \$25,494 for the grading of Miller Road.

JACKSON PARK PLAYGROUND BIDS

A motion was made by Council Member Ilmonen, supported by Council Member Smith, and unanimously carried to award the bid to Penchura LLC in the amount of \$255,251 with funds being paid from a grant and various donations.

DDA ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Council Member LaLonde, supported by Council Member Stagliano, and unanimously carried to approve the 1st reading and set a public hearing and 2nd reading for the October 12, 2023 Regular meeting.

VISTA UPDATE

City Manger Heffron gave a brief update on the purchase of the VISTA and timeline. He stated that he was approached by a Council Member with an idea to have a casino in the VISTA. Mayor Kangas requested feedback from the council at this time and it was the consensus that they were not in favor of that idea.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Stagliano, supported by Council Member Smith, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as follows: August 10th regular minutes, August 22nd special minutes, August 29th special minutes, Claims and accounts in the amount of \$971,157.22 (checks #85836-86007), Substation \$214,833.42 (1014-1015), USDA Water \$547,615.28 (1014), revenue/expenditure trial balance sheets, state disaster fund grant resolution, winter sand bids, PPP plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rusty Bowers PAAC commented on the VISTA renovations.

Lisa Bowers PAAC commented on the part one plan and raising money for the renovations.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Stagliano stated that he feels PAAC should be fully involved in the VISTA project.

Council Member Smith stated that PAAC has a plan.

Council Member Howard commented on the VISTA renovations, Jackson grove development agreement and its timeline.

Council Member LaLonde stated that she was excited about the VISTA and sidewalks.

Council Member Ilmonen thanked the firemen for 9/11 display at Teal Lake.

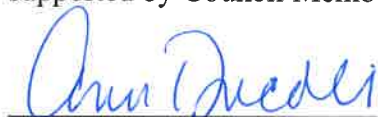
Mayor thanked the firemen.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager Heffron commented on the walk thru on the 25th, the traffic control ordinance and that he would have the City Attorney's address the Jackson Grove development agreement concerns in a memo.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Council Member Howard, supported by Council Member Ilmonen to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.



Ann Duedel