

**MINUTES
CITY OF NEGAUNEE REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2022**

A Regular Meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held in person and via teleconference on Thursday October 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Negaunee Senior Center.

Members Present: Mayor LaLonde, Council Members Flohe, Stagliano, Ilmonen, Kangas

Members Absent: Council Members Smith and Karki

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public wished to comment.

PUBLIC HEARING – 2023 CITY BUDGET

Mayor LaLonde opened the public hearing. No one from the public wished to comment.

Mayor LaLonde closed the public hearing.

TAX APPEAL

City Attorney Pickens explained the appeal process and retainer agreement.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – RESIDENTIAL 1

Dave Nelson, Planner explained the ordinance amendment.

A motion was made by Council Member Stagliano, supported by Council Member Flohe and unanimously carried to approve the 1st reading and set a public hearing and 2nd reading for the November regular meeting.

AMENDED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT – SNAPP BUILDING CO, JACKSON GROVE LOTS

At the November 2021 meeting a bid was awarded to Snapp Building Co for three lots in the Jackson Grove Park and a development agreement was approved at that time. The amended agreement has removed references to holding the subject deeds in escrow, the prior agreement is rendered null and void, a provision has been added permitting the City to take a second mortgage

in the subject parcels, and finally language has been added permitting the city to seek damages for a failure to complete the amended agreement.

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

OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) RESOLUTION

In August 2021 the City received a letter from the State Treasury regarding out OPEB being underfunded.

In February 2022 the Council submitted a Corrective Action Plan for our OPEB. In the plan the City stated they would establish a Trust in which \$86,526 would be contributed each year to increase the retirement system's funded ratio to 40% by 2041.

A motion was made by Council Member Stagliano and supported by Council Member Flohe to approve the Retiree Funding Vehicle Resolution establishing the trust.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Flohe, Stagliano, Ilmonen, Kangas, and Mayor LaLonde

Nays: None

The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Ilmonen and supported by Council Member Kangas to approve the resolution establishing authorized signatories as follows: City Clerk and City Manager.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Stagliano, Ilmonen, Kangas, Flohe and Mayor LaLonde

Nays: None

The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Council Member Stagliano, supported by Council Member Ilmonen to appoint Traci Dietz to the Planning Commission and Blake Becker to the DDA.

TEAL LAKE BEACH PROJECT FURNISHING BIDS

A motion was made by Council Member Flohe and supported by Council Member Stagliano to accept the low bid of \$14,111.80 from Moyle Trucking with monies coming from the proceeds of the grand funds \$5,777.80 and \$8,334 from the LaCombe field project.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Ilmonen, Kangas, Flohe, Stagliano and Mayor LaLonde

Nays: None

The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

FIRE DEPT PUMPER APPARATUS BID

A motion was made by Council Member Stagliano and supported by Council Member Kangas to accept the bid from Red Power Diesel Service in the amount of \$701,204 after prepay and the lease option until 2037.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Member Kangas, Flohe, Stagliano, Ilmonen and Mayor LaLonde

Nays: None

The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Flohe and supported by Council Member Stagliano to approve the consent agenda as follows: September 8th regular minutes, October 6th special minutes, Claims and Accounts in the amount of \$882,786.40 (check #84293-84445), Revenue/Expenditure Estimated Trial Balances, Public Participation – RRC.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Council Members Flohe, Stagliano, Ilmonen, Kangas and Mayor LaLonde

Nays: None

The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public wished to comment.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Kangas commented on the social district and Halloween.

Council Member Stagliano commented on projects in town.

Mayor LaLonde commented on the firehall Halloween and city construction.

CITY ATTORNEY

No Comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comment a motion was made by Council Member Ilmonen, supported by Council Member Kangas and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.



Ann Ducoli
Deputy Clerk