

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

A regular meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Thursday November 9, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Negaunee Senior Center.

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

Members Absent: Council Member Karki

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Ilmonen, and unanimously carried to remove #9.6 delinquent utilities to the tax rolls due to the Treasurer being out of the office.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public wished to comment.

PUBLIC HEARING – TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER

Mayor Kangas opened the public hearing. No one from the public wished to comment. The public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Council Member Ilmonen and supported by Council Member Smith to approve the second reading and adopt the Traffic Control Ordinance.

The following roll call vote was taken:

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

Nays: Council Member Howard

The motion passed on a 4-1 vote.

BUDGET RESOLUTION

A motion was made by Council Member Smith and supported by Council Member Stagliano to change the date at the bottom of the resolution and to adopt it.

The following roll call vote was taken:

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

Nays: Council Member Howard

The motion passed on a 4-1 vote.

CITY FINANCIALS

A motion was made by Council Member Smith and supported by Council Member Stagliano to approve the financial policies as presented.

The following roll call vote was taken:

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

Nays: Council Member Howard

The motion passed on a 4-1 vote.

COUNCIL MEMBER RESIGNATION AND VACANT SEAT

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Ilmonen, and unanimously carried to accept a resignation from Dana LaLonde.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Ilmonen, and unanimously carried to accept applications for the vacant council seat until noon December 6, 2023.

LSCP ECONOMIC PLAN

Christopher Germain, LSCP was present to go over the proposal for the next step in the RRC best practices as it pertains to an economic development plan.

A motion was made by Council Member Ilmonen, supported by Council Member Stagliano, and unanimously carried to allow the City Manager to enter into an agreement with LSCP for the next phase of the economic development plan in the amount of \$7661.

DDA PRESENTATION

Gary Nelson, DDA Chair was present to give a brief update on the DDA.

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: October 12th regular minutes, October 26th special minutes, Claims and Accounts in the amount of \$2,022,205.12 (#86171-86313, \$132,190.95 WPPI ACH), Revenue/Expenditure Trial balance reports, senior center grants, traffic control orders.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dana LaLonde thanked the Council regarding her time on the Council.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Council Member Howard apologized if he was out of line at the last meeting. He is passionate about the city.

Council Member Stagliano stated that it was his final meeting and that it was an honor serving with this council.

Council Member Ilmonen stated it was a pleasure serving with the Council and thanked the voters for voting for him in the election.

Council Member Smith congratulate Craig and Kevin, thanked Dana, and congratulated her and thanked the attorney's for explaining the proper procedures for the vacant seat.

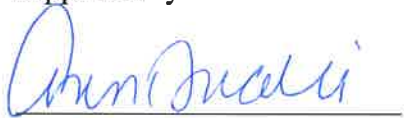
Mayor Kangas thanked Council Member Howard and that he respects his apology. He congratulated Craig and Kevin and Dana.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager Heffron commented on the RRC trophy and that it was a 5-year endeavor. He commented on Tinseltown on December 9th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to perform a motion was made by Council Member Stagliano, supported by Council Member Howard to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.



Ann Ducoli
Deputy Clerk