# MINUTES CITY OF NEGAUNEE REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 10, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Thursday December 10, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Negaunee Senior Center.

Member Present: Council Members Visser, Kangas, Smith, Saari, Wallner, Gladwell and Mayor Schuhknecht

Members Absent: None

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one from the public wished to comment.

## APPOINTMENT – MAYOR PRO TEM

Council Member Smith made a motion to nominate Council Member Kangas for Mayor Pro Tem. There being no other nominations Council Member Gladwell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

Mayor Schuhknecht made a motion to appoint the following individuals:

Rich Uren and Janice Chittle to the Planning Commission, Jeff Rogers to the Parks and Recreation Commission, Al Sundine and Laura Jandron to the Library Board and Gerry Corkin to the Negaunee/Ishpeming Water Authority. Council Member Smith seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Council Member Kangas, supported by Council Member Saari and unanimously carried to appoint the following individuals: Kate Peterson, Deborah Filizetti and Grace Jalonen to the Commission on Aging, Glenn Binoniemi to the Board of Review and Mark Rogers and Glenn Binoniemi to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

## IRON ORE HERITAGE TRAIL MILLAGE RENEWAL REQUEST

A motion was made by Council Member Wallner, supported by Council Member Visser and unanimously carried to authorize a resolution in support of the Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority's request for millage renewal.

## REGIONAL PROSPERITY COLLABORATIVE

A motion was made by Council Member Visser, supported by Council Member Gladwell and unanimously carried to authorize a resolution and letter in support of CUPPAD and their efforts.

## MARQUETTE COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY – ATTORNEY COST SHARE

Questions have been raised by the Marquette County Solid Waste Authority Partners that include the conflict of interest with the AMSWMA Attorney being a County Commissioner.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith and supported by Council Member Kangas to share the cost of attorney's opinion not to exceed \$2,000.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Members Voting Aye: Council Members Visser, Kangas, Smith, Saari, Wallner, and Mayor Schuhknecht

Members Voting Nay: Council Member Gladwell

The motion passed on a 6-0 vote.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Saari, supported by Council Member Smith and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as follows: November 12, 2015 Regular Minutes, November 18, 2015 Special Minutes, Claims and Accounts in the amount of \$434,186.39 (checks #73054-73162), Revenue/Expenditure Trial Balance Reports, Set Regular Meeting Dates for 2016, Designate City Depositories for 2016, Master Agreements – Senior Center.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Bill Richards addressed the Council regarding who shut off his water for 45 days and why they are still working at the City.

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## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Saari commented on the updates to the Green Market Building on Iron Street.

Mayor Schuhknecht commented on the agreement with the Union and wished everyone Happy Holidays.

#### **CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Thornton commented on the money received for the Pavilion, no parking on City Streets, Master Plan, blight problems and future discussions regarding millages.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

A motion was made by Council Member Gladwell and supported by Council Member Smith to go into Closed Session per Section 8C – for the strategy and negotiation of collective bargaining agreements.

The following roll call vote was taken:

Members voting Aye: Council Members Kangas, Smith, Saari, Wallner, Gladwell, Visser and Mayor Schuhknecht

Members voting Nay: None

The motion passed on a 7-0 vote.

The meeting was called back into Open Session at 8:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Council Member Gladwell, supported by Council Member Visser and unanimously carried to Opt Out of PA 152 for 2016, contingent on successful agreements with all collective bargaining units.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, supported by Council Member Kangas and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Ann Ducoli Deputy Clerk