

**MINUTES  
CITY OF NEGAUNEE REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 9, 2020**

A Regular Meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Thursday July 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Negaunee Ice Arena.

Members Present: Mayor Kangas, Council Members Gladwell, Maino, Wallner, Karki, Flohe and LaLonde

Members Absent: None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Council Member Gladwell asked that #7.1 be added as Term Limits Discussion.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one from the Public wished to comment.

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #1270 HOME OCCUPATIONS 2<sup>ND</sup> READING**

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 Wallner, supported by Council Member Maino and unanimously carried to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt Ordinance Amendment #1270 Home Occupations.

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #1286.07 FENCES, WALLS HEDGES 2<sup>ND</sup> READING**

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 Maino, supported by Council Member LaLonde and unanimously carried to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt Ordinance Amendment #1286.07 Fences, Walls Hedges.

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS COMPLETE STREETS #1269 MULTI FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, #1281.10 PUD STANDARDS, #1280.01 SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL STANDARDS, #1283.06 STANDARDS FOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL, #1248 SUBDIVISIONS, #1260.02 DEFINITIONS**

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 Gladwell, supported by Council Member Wallner and unanimously carried to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt Ordinance Amendments, #1269, #1281.10, #1280.01, #1283.06, #1248 and #1260.02.

**TIF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH MARQUETTE COUNTY**

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 Gladwell, supported by Council Member LaLonde and unanimously carried to approve the TIF Interlocal Agreement with Marquette County.

**TERM LIMIT LANGUAGE DISCUSSION**

A motion was made by Council Member Wallner, supported by Council Member Maino and unanimously carried to suspend the rules for discussion.

Council Member Gladwell stated that after the last council meeting, he took the discussion to mean that the council's consensus was for him to be able to run in the next election. Council Member Wallner stated that since the last meeting he has had discussion with the Clerk and it is in the realm of her job to make the call on whether someone is eligible to run or not. Council Member Maino questioned who has the right to make the call and if he made the motion would it stand. City Attorney Pickens stated that after discussions with the Clerk and County Clerk the Clerk has the authority to make the call and that per Charter the Council does not have the authority to force the Clerks decision. Mayor Kangas stated that he would not want to pull the rug out from under an employee. City Attorney Pickens stated that it would be in Council Member Gladwell's court at this point whether to sue the City or not.

A motion was made by Council Member Wallner, supported by Council Member Maino and unanimously carried to reinstate the rules at this time.

No other action was taken.

### **VOTING TABULATOR**

A motion was made by Council Member Maino, supported by Council Member LaLonde and unanimously carried to purchase an ImageCast Precinct Tabulator and Ballot Box in the amount of \$5,295 with 50% of the cost being paid by the State of Michigan and \$2,000 budget adjustment paid from the General Fund Contingencies 101-925-969 to the Election Office Equipment Fund #101-192-980.

### **SET SPECIAL MEETING**

A motion was made by Council Member Wallner, supported by Council Member Flohe and unanimously carried to set a special meeting for July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6 p.m. in the Negaunee Ice Arena for the 2019 Audit.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Wallner, supported by Mayor Kangas and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: June 11, 2020 Regular Minutes, Claims and Accounts in the amount of \$875,086.84 (#80605-80719), Revenue/Expenditure Trial Balance Reports.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one from the public wished to comment.

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Council Member LaLonde commented on the work being done around town, she is glad it is summer and happy for the in-person meeting. She stated that the 911 board had hired a new dispatcher.

Council Member Wallner commented on the MarqTran Board and routes and that ridership is down.

Council Member Karki commented that things are getting back to normal, the Senior Center parking lot looks good and work on Teal Lake Ave.

Council Member Flohe stated it was good to see everyone and the projects in town.

Council Member Gladwell commented that it was good to have the meeting in person and asked about the turn at the end of Rail Street being both ways. He stated that he would be going to a Pioneer Days event and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. He also commented on the fireworks law.

Council Member Wallner commented on the Marqtran millage, Teal Lake Ave and road maintenance.

Council Member Maino commented on fireworks and when the Library would be open and that there is a residence on Teal Lake Ave that is messy.

Mayor Kangas commented on improvements to Rail St, Senior Center and curbs.

### **CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Heffron commented on the Trailer Ordinance, Baldwin and Brown punch list, the Treasury Corrective Action Plan in the packets, mine fences, Rail Street and that there were no plans for just a right turn at the Rail St., and preventative road maintenance.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Council Member Gladwell, supported by Council Member Wallner and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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Ann Ducoli  
Deputy Clerk