MINUTES CITY OF NEGAUNEE SPECIAL MEETING JULY 23, 2020

A Special Meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Thursday July 23, 2020 at the Negaunee Ice Arena.

Members Present: Mayor Kangas, Council Member Gladwell, Maino, Wallner, LaLonde

Members Absent: Council Members Karki and Flohe

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brenda Bilkey addressed the Council with her concerns regarding the parking of trailers in the City. She feels the ordinance should be changed to allow for parking in your yard.

Carol Dunstan addressed the Council with her concerns regarding the parking of trailers in the City. She stated her yard is small and that she has been parking there for years.

Richard Ducoli addressed the Council that he has been parking in his yard for years and should be able to continue to do so.

Jerome Bilkey addressed the Council with his concerns regarding the storing of his trailer somewhere else and it not being looked after. He understands not parking on streets but stated there isn't a lot of other options.

Bob Ducoli addressed the Council regarding the parking of trailers and that a Council Member had taken pictures of his trailer parked on the street.

Chris Lewis addressed the Council about the time frame for removing the trailers from the streets and that he had been parking his trailer on the street for 15 years.

Tamara Niemi addressed the Council regarding her utility bill and being over charged.

Melissa Lewis thanked the Council Members that had spoken with her regarding the trailer parking. She stated that she had concerns that when she calls City Hall the City Manager is not getting her messages.

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2019 CITY AUDIT

Mike Grentz, Anderson Tackman was present to give a presentation on the 2019 City Audit findings.

Mr. Grentz addressed the audit opinion, each funds Fund Balance, the Police Act 345 pension and MERS pension. He also addressed the MERS Corrective action plan and the State Corrective Plan. He stated that there was a 72-day operating expense which was down from 125 days from 5 years ago. There were a lot of projects that had been done over the past year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public wished to comment.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Council Member Maino thanked the public and that there were a lot of good ideas presented.

Council Member Wallner commented on the Marqtran audit and thanked the public for their comments. He also commented on the Marqtran and School millages.

Council Member LaLonde thanked the public for sharing their thoughts.

Council Member Gladwell appreciated the public attendance and asked that Ms. Niemi's issue be looked into. He commented on a curb in front of Pasquali's and that it should be looked into.

Mayor Kangas thanked the public for attending and that there was an election coming up.

CITY MANAGER

No comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments a motion was made by Council Member Gladwell, supported by Council Member Wallner and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

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Ann Ducoli Deputy Clerk