

**MINUTES  
CITY OF NEGAUNEE REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 12, 2018**

A Regular Meeting of the Negaunee City Council was held on Thursday April 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Negaunee Senior Center.

Members Present: Mayor Gladwell, Council Member Maino, Wallner, Kantola, Anderson, Becker and Kangas

Members Absent: None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Council Member Anderson asked that #8.4 be added to the agenda discussion on pending personnel position.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Rhonda Gravedoni asked to speak on agenda item #8.4.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Mr. Ryan Soucy, CUPPAD was present to give a brief update and time line for the Capital Improvement Plan to be completed by the City.

A motion was made by Mayor Gladwell, supported by Council Member Maino and unanimously carried to appoint Council Members Becker and Wallner to the CIP committee.

**RIDING LAWNMOWER BIDS – CEMETERY**

A motion was made by Council Member Maino, supported by Mayor Gladwell and unanimously carried to award the bid to Northland Lawn, Sport and Equipment to lease 2 2019 John Deere Z930R mowers with the lease option in the amount of \$202.47/mon each with an option to purchase (\$1) at the end of the 60 month lease.

**DISPOSAL OF ASSETS – OLD VOTERS BOOTH**

A motion was made by Council Member Maino, supported by Mayor Gladwell and unanimously carried to declare the old voters booth surplus and accept bids for removal by September 1, 2018.

## **CARP RIVER BRIDGE GRANT**

A motion was made by Council Member Anderson, supported by Council Member Wallner and unanimously carried to authorize the City Manager to sign the resolution for the Carp River Bridge maintenance.

## **DISCUSSION ON PENDING PERSONNEL POSITIONS**

Ms. Rhonda Gravedoni addressed the Council and stated that the City of Negaunee is not big enough to warrant a Deputy DPW Director and asked where the money would be coming from if the position was hired.

Council Member Anderson stated that he would like to see more information on this position such as job descriptions, pay scale and asked if it was posted.

City Manager Heffron stated that he was not prepared tonight to give any information but would like to hold a Special Meeting to present the information.

A Special Meeting was set for Monday April 30, 2018 at 6 p.m.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Anderson, supported by Council Member Wallner and unanimously carried to approved the Consent Agenda as follows: March 8, 2018 Regular Minutes, Claims and Accounts in the amount of \$689,022.77 (checks #76888-77053), Revenue/Expenditure Trial Balance Reports, Cargo Trailer Lease Agreement.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tonja Acker Richards commented on a Council Member adding an agenda item to tonight's agenda.

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Council Member Kangas welcomed new Council Member Becker.

Council Member Becker thanked everyone.

Council Member Anderson welcomed new Council Member Becker and inquired about when we would be back on TV and the Croix Street project.

Council Member Wallner stated that he would like to see the meetings back on TV and other venues are available like social media. He also mentioned the parking ban.

Council Member Maino commented on the Jackson Park tennis courts.

Mayor Gladwell commented that last month the Council voted to send an informal complaint to the MPSC regarding our PEG channel through Charter and to reach out to other companies that might be willing to broadcast the meetings until then. He also mentioned the play at the High School.

#### **CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Heffron commented on the Blight Committee meetings, the Historical District Committee, business retention with the LSCP and that he will be attending the Ambassadors Meeting in Lansing.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY**

City Attorney O'Dea gave a brief update on the PEG Channel issue.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Council Member Maino, supported by Council Member Wallner and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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Ann Ducoli  
Deputy Clerk