

**City of St. Ignace
Council Proceedings
(Official)**

A Regular Meeting of the St. Ignace City Council was held on Monday, October 18, 2021, in the City Hall Council Chambers as a hybrid attendance meeting, with Zoom video conference available. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Litzner, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Clapperton gave the invocation.

At this time, Mayor Litzner announced that she is attending the meeting via Zoom in St. Ignace, Michigan, due to a medical directive to quarantine, per the Open Meetings Act MCL15.263, Sect 3a. Mayor Litzner then directed Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis to run the meeting.

PRESENT FROM CITY COUNCIL: Councilmembers Clapperton, Fullerton, LaLonde, Mayor Litzner (via Zoom in St. Ignace), Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis and Councilmember Tremble.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Darcy Long, City Manager; Charles Palmer, City Attorney (via Zoom); Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer; Stephanie Baar, Assistant to the City Manager; Tony Brown, Police Chief.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Litzner – Trick or Treat event.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was received regarding the City's 2022 draft budget.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 4, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

It was moved by Councilmember Clapperton, seconded by Councilmember LaLonde, to approve the minutes from October 4, 2021, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Councilmembers Fullerton, LaLonde, Mayor Litzner, Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, Councilmembers Tremble and Clapperton.

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilmember LaLonde inquired about the number of short-term rentals on record in the City's residential districts. City Manager Long responded there has been no new data compiled recently.

Councilmember LaLonde requested the EUPConnect Collaborative submit to Council the legal document they had discussed during the initial presentation to the City regarding ARPA fund expenditures.

NEW BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF ELECTION INSPECTORS FOR NOVEMBER 2ND ELECTION

The Election Commission presented Council with the following for the November 2nd General Election: Election Board - Laurie Steiner, Renee Vonderwerth, Sherry Cece, Helen Thibault, Debra Ferguson and Mary Kay Tamlyn.

Receiving Board – Renee Vonderwerth and Sherry Cece.

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to approve both the Election Board and Receiving Board for the November 2nd Election as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Councilmember LaLonde, Mayor Litzner, Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, Councilmembers Tremble, Clapperton and Fullerton.

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. ANTIQUE SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE CROSSING EVENT

The annual Antique Snowmobile Bridge Crossing event is presented by the St. Ignace Visitors Bureau and will take place December 11, 2021. The event is only renting the conference room at Little Bear East Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m for the participants' luncheon.

C. ZONING CODE RECOMMENDATIONS

Betsy Dayrell-Hart, Planning Commission Chairperson, introduced the document that included amendments to the City's Zoning Ordinance as a result of a law suit involving the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act (RLUIPA). As a requirement, the Planning Commission will first host a Public Hearing on this document on Thursday, November 4th at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, followed by a Special meeting for the Planning Commission to establish their recommendation to Council for this item. At that point, Council will decide if additional public hearings may be necessary or if they would like to bring it to the next Regular Council meeting on November 22nd for a vote.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Mayor Litzner – Halloween Trick or Treating

Mayor Litzner announced that participants will be allowed to trick or treat in the City from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 31st.

D. FINANCIALS

City Manager Long briefly reviewed the September 2021 financials with Council.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

It was moved by Councilmember LaLonde, seconded by Councilmember Clapperton, to approve paying the bills as presented.

ACE HARDWARE	609.47
AIRGAS USA LLC	158.25
AMERICAN TEST CENTER	450.00
ANDREW DIXON	56.00
BAM TOOLS	18.25
BELONGA'S PLUMBING AND HEATING	124.26

BFMC INC	910.68
BLARNEY CASTLE OIL CO	18,476.20
CHARLES J. PALMER, P.C.	2,178.24
HD SUPPLY FACILITIES MAINTENANCE LT	1,136.41
HYDRITE CHEMICAL CO	9,958.10
KIMBALL-MIDWEST	446.98
LEVERING SPORTS INC	293.20
LYNN AUTO PARTS	2,959.12
MACKINAC SALES	362.63
MARK'S TIRE LLC	882.00
MCG WEB DEVELOPMENT INC	16.00
MI MUNICIPAL TREASURERS ASSOC	15.00
MICHAEL RICHARD LAMB	328.00
MILLER CONSULTATIONS&ELECTIONS,INC	1,223.65
MILLER, CANFIELD,PADDOCK AND STONE	1,416.00
MY-LOR INC	64.00
NATIONAL OFFICE PRODUCTS	1,026.39
NCL OF WISCONSIN INC	443.75
QUILL CORPORATION	150.90
R & R FIRE TRUCK REPAIR	230.45
SAULT PRINTING COMPANY	64.07
SPARTAN STORES	454.65
ST IGNACE AUTOMOTIVE	531.64
ST IGNACE TRUE VALUE	531.64
STEPHANIE BAAR	121.00
STRAITS BUILDING CENTER	437.13
SUMMIT FIRE PROTECTION	840.05
UIS SCADA	3,503.29
UNITED LABORATORIES	1,147.20
WESLEY H MAURER JR	1,539.11
Grand Total:	\$52,966.69

Councilmember LaLonde inquired about the bill from Mark's Tire LLC and suggested using a local vendor to maintain the City's vehicle needs when allowable.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mayor Litzner, Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, Councilmembers Tremble, Clapperton, Fullerton and LaLonde.

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments were received regarding the Zoning Ordinance amendments, Representative John DaMoose local office hours and current City ordinance language regarding homeless people in the downtown area.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Long updated Council on the planned action to remedy the recent issues with City code enforcement for temporary dwellings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee reports were presented.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmembers commended public participation at City meetings and thanked State Representative John DaMoose for offering local office hours. Council also offered their appreciation for his assistance with the State appropriations for the new ambulance building.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Robert St. Louis, Mayor Pro-Tem

Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer

