

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

A Regular Meeting of the St. Ignace City Council was held on Monday, May 2, 2022, 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 LaLonde, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Williford gave the invocation.

**PRESENT FROM CITY COUNCIL:** Councilmembers Clapperton (via Zoom – approved 2/7/22), Fullerton, Cronan, Mayor LaLonde, Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis and Councilmember Williford.

**ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Darcy Long, City Manager; Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer; Stephanie Baar, Assistant to the City Manager; Charles Palmer, City Attorney; Tony Brown, Police Chief; Joe Rogers, Police Officer; Scott Marshall, DDA Director; Morgan Mills, Recreation Director.

**PUBLIC HEARING – LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY DOCK #3**

Mayor LaLonde announced the Public Hearing was being held with regards to leasing City property to Mackinac Island Ferry Company, LLC d/b/a Arnold Freight Company.

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to consider the Dock 3 Lease Resolution with discussion during the Public Comment and consideration during Old Business.

**Roll Call Vote**

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

No: None.

At this time, it was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Cronan, to open the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

**Roll Call Vote**

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

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public comment was received by City of St. Ignace residents, Mackinac Island City Council members, as well as Arnold Freight and Carriage Tours' management.

After a lengthy period of discussion, it was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, seconded by Councilmember Cronan, to close the Public Hearing at 8:20 p.m.

**Roll Call Vote**

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

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Mayor LaLonde – Fire Department purchase.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS (2-min limit)**

No public comment was received.

## **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18, 2022, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND APRIL 25, 2022, SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING:**

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2022, Regular Council meeting, and April 25, 2022, Special Council meeting, as presented.

### **Roll Call Vote**

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

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **DOCK 3 USE AGREEMENT & RESOLUTION**

At this time, it was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Cronan, to reconsider and postpone the Dock 3 Use Agreement & Lease Resolution.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

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

No: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. MICHIGAN FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE (FOP) CONTRACT**

City Manager Long informed Council that, after several months of negotiations with new Union representation, the Police Department has presented a completed contract with the FOP. The document presented displayed both redacted prior language and highlighted current language. Councilmember Pelter requested clarification regarding the following:

Article 21 – FMLA leave is considered Federal Regulation;

Article 34 – the Vacation Earning Rate is considered in hours by years-of-service;

Article 46 Uniforms – only the first paragraph regarding allowance is included;

Article 33 Holiday Provisions – Section D not identified correctly.

City Clerk/Treasurer Insley also requested verification of the consideration of retroactive pay from January 1st, as well as retroactive leave accrual/pay and holiday pay.

At this time, it was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Cronan, to approve the FOP Contract with the changes as explained by Officer J. Rogers, FOP Union Steward.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

Yes: Councilmembers Clapperton, Cronan, Fullerton, Mayor LaLonde, Councilmember Pelter,

Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis and Councilmember Williford.  
No: None.  
Motion carried unanimously.

## **B. MOWING BIDS**

City Manager Long informed Council of the mowing bid received from Precision Edge Outdoor Services for a cost of \$1,140 per mow for the areas that include the Fire Hall lawn, LBE and ballfields, McCann field, Lake Street courts and Truckey Street tennis courts. Recreation Director Mills recommended accepting the bid, as current Little Bear East staff is not capable of taking on those duties.

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Cronan, to approve accepting the mowing bid from Precision Edge Outdoor Services for \$1,140 per mow for two years.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

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

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **ADDITION TO THE AGENDA**

### **Mayor LaLonde – Fire Department Purchase.**

Mayor LaLonde presented Council with the Fire Department's request to purchase rope rescue equipment using the Sault Tribe's 2% contributions. Three bids were received: one from Witmer for a cost of \$4,999; one from Pomasl for \$7,895; and one from CMC Pro for \$8,006. It was the Fire Department's recommendation to purchase the equipment from Witmer for the lowest bid.

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to approve the lowest bid for the rope rescue equipment from Witmer for \$4,999.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

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

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **CONSIDERATION OF BILLS**

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Cronan, to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$40,487.97.

APS WATER SERVICES CORPORATION	113.48
BS & A SOFTWARE	4,214.00
C2AE	3,874.33
ETNA SUPPLY COMPANY	9,887.96
FERGUSON WATERWORKS #3386	297.25
GREAT LAKES COCA-COLA DISTRIBUTION	226.20
HAWKINS	3,927.43
HYDRITE CHEMICAL CO	11,361.31
JOSEPH STEARNS	293.83

KSS ENTERPRISES	775.51
LEVERING SPORTS INC	222.75
MICHAEL RICHARD LAMB	485.00
NCL OF WISCONSIN INC	229.61
NORTHERN LIGHTS FAMILY OUTFITTERS	155.00
OSCAR W LARSON	190.00
PARAGON LABORATORIES, INC	223.40
R & R FIRE TRUCK REPAIR	241.98
RUDYARD ELECTRICAL SERVICE INC	260.00
SYNCB/AMAZON	325.30
TOM H EVASHEVSKI P L L C	270.00
WESLEY H MAURER JR	42.51
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP INC	2,871.12
Grand Total:	\$40,487.97

### **Roll Call Vote**

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

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT - NON-AGENDA ITEMS (3 min limit)**

No public comment was received.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Long reported to Council that he has met with various people regarding the repair and replacement of the boardwalk, seeking opportunities for financial assistance. DDA Director Marshall presented a slide show of some of the worst areas of the boardwalk, suggesting different types of surface replacement in certain areas. Mr. Marshall proposed to plan a maintenance schedule with DPW staff when available and pursue grants and contributions from various entities, as well as update easements.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance/Utility Committee – Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:30 a.m.

City Manager Long stated the Marina has been notified by the Coast Guard to replace a red strobe light at the entrance to the harbor to avoid causing a navigational hazard. Marina Director Stearns recommended purchasing both the green and red replacement lights, as the other has lasted beyond it's suggested life expectancy of 10 years. It was the consensus of Council to purchase both navigational lights.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmembers thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for their comments during the Public Hearing.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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**William LaLonde, Mayor**

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**Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer**