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

A Regular Meeting of the St. Ignace City Council was held on Monday, June 19, 2023, in the City Hall Council Chambers as a hybrid attendance meeting with Zoom video conference available. Mayor LaLonde called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Gustafson led the invocation.

**PRESENT FROM CITY COUNCIL:** Councilmembers Fullerton, Gustafson, Mayor LaLonde, Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis and Councilmember Williford.

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Cronan. (Approved at the May 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Council meeting.)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Andrea Insley, City Clerk-Treasurer; Charles Palmer, City Attorney; Scott Marshall, DDA Director; Kevin James, Police Chief.

## ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Councilmember Pelter – Communication to Council.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT (3-min limit)

Public comment was received recognizing the Juneteenth federal holiday.

# CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF THE JUNE 5, 2023, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

It was moved by Councilmember Gustafson, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2023, Regular Council meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

## A. CITY MANAGER CONTRACT

Mayor LaLonde updated Council that the Negotiations Committee met with Mr. Marshall prior to the Regular Council meeting to discuss the City Manager contract proposal, and they have planned for further negotiations. The next meeting for the Negotiations Committee will be Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## A. CITY AUDIT 2022 FILING EXTENSION

City Clerk/Treasurer Insley informed Council that a filing extension request has been submitted to the Michigan Department of Treasury for the 2022 audit as a precaution. The audit has begun but may exceed the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.

It was moved by Councilmember Gustafson, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to accept the submission requesting a filing extension for the 2022 audit.

## Roll Call Vote

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

No: None. Motion carried unanimously.

## B. CITY HALL HALF- DAY ON JUNE 23RD

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, to approve closing City Hall doors to the public at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> due to the annual Car Show. Motion carried unanimously.

## C. RESOLUTION 23-26 MACKINAW CITY MUSTANG STAMPEDE 2023

#### **RESOLUTION 23-26**

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by Councilmember Fullerton, supported by Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis:

**WHEREAS**, the Mackinaw Area Visitors Bureau requests permission to conduct the Mackinaw City Mustang Stampede, and

WHEREAS, this event requires the usage of I-75 and I-75BL and a parade escort from the City of St. Ignace Police, and

WHEREAS, it is understood there may be fees for services provided by the City, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City Council does approve the Mackinaw Mustang Stampede parade and the Police escort on Saturday, July 15, 2023.

#### Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None.

Absent: Councilmember Cronan. Resolution declared Adopted.

#### ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

#### Councilmember Pelter – Communication to the Council.

Councilmember Pelter stated concerns of the communication to Council with news of City business, suggesting that if the information is shared with one Councilmember, it should be shared with all of the Council.

#### D. FINANCIALS

After some clarification on expenses in the Major and Local Street funds, it was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Gustafson, to approve the May 2023 financials as presented.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

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

No: None.

Motion carried unanimously.

### CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Councilmember Pelter inquired about the bills for Belonga Plumbing and the bill from Kelly Champion for landscaping services. Councilmember Gustafson questioned the Mackinac Sales bill.

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, seconded by Councilmember Williford, to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$90,798.61.

#### **Roll Call Vote**

Yes: Councilmember Pelter, Mayor Pro-Tem St. Louis, Councilmembers Williford, Fullerton, Gustafson and Mayor LaLonde. No: None. Motion carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT** (3 min limit)

Public comment was received regarding the wrestling camp at Little Bear East the past two weeks, the City Charter and contact with the City attorney, and the City Hall half-day closing.

#### MANAGEMENT REPORT

City Clerk/Treasurer Insley informed Council that summer tax bills will be going out in the mail for July 1<sup>st</sup> delivery and the City's 2022 audit is open and being processed.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Negotiations Committee – minutes from the June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting were provided.

## **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember comments were received.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

William LaLonde, Mayor

Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer