

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

A Regular Meeting of the St. Ignace City Council was held on Monday, February 4, 2019, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Litzner, with the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Clapperton gave the invocation.

Present: Councilmembers Clapperton, Fullerton, Mayor Litzner, Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, Councilmembers Pelter, St. Louis and Tremble.

Absent: None.

Staff Present: Mike Stelmaszek, City Manager; Mark Wilk, Police Chief; Bill Fraser, DPW Director; Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer.

Consideration of minutes from January 22, 2019 Council meeting:

It was moved by Councilmember Clapperton, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to approve the minutes of January 22, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Limited Public Comment:

Public comment was received regarding support for the Police Chief candidates.

Additions to the Agenda: None.

1. PROCLAMATION TO HONOR MARK WILK:

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, Mark Wilk, has worked for the City of St. Ignace for 31 years, 5 months and served as the Chief of Police for the City of St. Ignace for 9 of those years; and

WHEREAS, Chief Wilk, began his career with the City of St. Ignace as an Auxiliary Police Officer from 1983-1986, and on September 14, 1987, the City of St. Ignace sent Mr. Wilk to the police academy to fill a Patrolman position, where he graduated in December of 1987; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilk, continued his career with the department, when on February 18, 1998, he was promoted to Sergeant and finally on February 1, 2010, he was promoted to Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, during Chief Wilk's tenure, he wrote many grants, including, but not limited to, the Byrne Jag Grant, Enbridge grants, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indian 2% grants; numerous technology and security update grants, and with the grants he has written and received, Chief Wilk helped purchased new vehicles for the Police Department, spearheaded a massive technology upgrade for the Police Department, as well as, installed security cameras in City Hall, Little Bear East and the Library, and

WHEREAS, Chief Wilk's community involvement also includes, EMS (1984), Medical Examiner Investigator (2000), assisted the EMS and Fire Department on calls, and collaborated with community leaders for community events, parades and other traffic control issues, races (both bike and foot), and

WHEREAS, Chief Wilk is also active as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Northern Michigan Chiefs of Police Association, Salvage Vehicle Inspector for Mackinac County, U.P. Representative for the Michigan Chiefs of Police Association, Coordinator for the Mackinac County Child Death Review Team and is a representative on the State of Michigan Child Death Review Team, Law Enforcement coordinator for multiple community events, and

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the City of St. Ignace, its employees and Council are very proud of Chief Mark Wilk for the recognition he has received from numerous community entities; including Nostalgia Productions, the Tractor Show, Truck Show, EMS and his work on the Child Death Review team to name a few.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that Mark Wilk, Chief of Police for the City of St. Ignace, be honored on this 4th Day of February 2019, for his dedicated service to the City of St. Ignace and his commitment to public safety.

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2. ANNUAL REPORT PLANNING COMMISSION:

Betsy Dayrell-Hart updated Council with the Planning Commission annual report.

3. INTER-INSTITUTIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT:

City Manager Stelmaszek introduced Darryl Brown, Director of Rendezvous at the Straits Powwow, to inform Council of the Intercontinental Indigenous Art Initiative returning to St. Ignace in August 2019 under the efforts of the inter-institutional cooperative agreement between the Michilimackinac Historical Society, the St. Ignace Visitors Bureau, Rendezvous at the Straits Powwow and the Indigenous School of the Arts.

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, seconded by Councilmember Clapperton, to sign a letter of support for the collaborated efforts to name St. Ignace the host city of the VIII Edition of the Intercontinental Biennial of Indigenous Art. Motion carried unanimously.

4. THE CITY OF ST. IGNACE CITY COUNCIL REMOTE ATTENDANCE POLICY:

City Manager Stelmaszek requested Council’s consideration of a policy to allow Board members the opportunity to participate in a meeting remotely via video, Internet or by phone. It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Tremble, to approve the Remote Attendance Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

5. TRAINING REQUESTS FOR CITY MANAGER AND POLICE DEPARTMENT:

City Manager Stelmaszek informed Council of two training opportunities for the Police Department and City Manager in March 2019.

It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Pelter, to approve risk management training for the City Manager through MMRMA in March. Motion carried unanimously. It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Clapperton, to approve child passenger safety training for two employees in the Police Department. Motion carried unanimously.

6. SPENDING REQUESTS:

(A) SPLIT COSTS FOR RECREATION PLAN

City Manager Stelmaszek informed Council that the EUP Regional Planning & Development submitted a final bill for the City of St. Ignace Recreation Plan and suggests charging both the Recreation Department and the Marina, as both departments benefit from the implementation of the Plan. It was moved by Councilmember Clapperton, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to approve charging both departments for half of the cost of the final invoice. Motion carried unanimously.

(B) REPLACE DPW TRUCK BED

DPW Director Fraser provided Council with three bids to replace a truck bed on the 2008 F250. It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Tremble, to approve the lowest bid to replace the truck bed from Truck & Trailer Specialties of Boyne Falls. Motion carried unanimously.

(C) RENTAL SPACE AT LBE FOR COMMUNITY ALLIANCE MEETING

City Manager Stelmaszek requested Council’s consideration to allow the Community Alliance meeting to utilize rental space at Little Bear East at the expense of the General Fund’s Community Development activity. It was moved by Councilmember St. Louis, seconded by Councilmember Pelter, to approve rental of the LBE conference room to accommodate the Community Alliance meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

(D) POLICE CHIEF WILK TO PURCHASE SERVICE WEAPON

City Manager Stelmaszek informed Council that Chief Wilk would like to purchase his service weapon, a 40 caliber Sigsauer, at a cost of \$50 upon retirement.

It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Clapperton, to approve Chief Wilk to purchase his service weapon for \$50 upon retirement. Motion carried unanimously.

(E) EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF ALUM PUMPS AT WATER PLANT

City Manager Stelmaszek notified Council that the Water Plant had to purchase two new alum pumps after one broke down, because replacement parts had become obsolete. The new pumps were purchased from the lowest bidder and scheduled to be installed immediately.

It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, to approve the emergency purchase. Motion carried unanimously.

7. POLICE CHIEF POSITION:

City Manager Stelmaszek requested Council’s consideration to hire the Chief of Police position.

It was immediately moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Tremble, to hire Rich Cullen as Police Chief. Councilmember Fullerton requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilmember Fullerton and Councilmember Tremble.

No: Mayor Litzner, Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, Councilmembers St. Louis and Clapperton.

Motion failed two to four, with Councilmember Pelter objecting to the vote.

At this time, Mayor Litzner announced Council to recess at 7:44 p.m.

Council reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

It was then moved by Councilmember Tremble, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to hire Al Mitchell as Police Chief.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mayor Litzner, Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, Councilmember Tremble,

No: Councilmembers St. Louis, Pelter, Clapperton and Fullerton.

Motion failed three to four.

At this time, Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin moved to hire Anthony Brown as Police Chief, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, Councilmembers St. Louis, Tremble, Clapperton and Mayor Litzner.

No: Councilmember Fullerton.
Motion carried five to one, with Councilmember Pelter objecting to the vote.

Public Comment:

Public comment was received regarding City policy and procedures.

Consideration of Bills:

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$19,621.85. Motion carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented to Council for payment:

BELONGA EXCAVATING, LLC	330.00
BELONGA'S PLUMBING AND HEATING	8.00
CORE TECHNOLOGY CORP	460.00
ETNA SUPPLY COMPANY	598.90
HAKOLA PORTA JOHN SERVICE & RENTALS	615.00
HD SUPPLY FACILITIES MAINTENANCE LT	499.98
HYDRITE CHEMICAL CO	578.40
JOHNSON CONTROLS INC.	9,966.57
KELLOGG HOTEL & CONF CENTER MSU	160.50
KSS ENTERPRISES	221.78
MACKINAC SALES	94.06
MC VEIGH'S TRUCK SPRINGS	785.54
MI ASSOCIATION OF MAYORS	85.00
MICHAEL RICHARD LAMB	120.00
MICROBIOLOGICS INC	228.70
NCL OF WISCONSIN INC	2,094.45
OK INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	164.16
PARAGON LABS	831.00
QUILL CORPORATION	227.52
RUDYARD ELECTRICAL SERVICE INC	566.50
SAFETY-KLEEN SYSTEMS INC	206.89
THE FEED STATION	229.90
WALMART	549.00
Grand Total:	\$19,621.85

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Connie Litzner, Mayor

Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer

