

**Council
Proceedings
(Official)**

A Regular Meeting of the St. Ignace City Council was held on Monday, May 7, 2018, 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: Councilmember Clapperton, Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, Councilmembers Pelter, St. Louis, Tremble and Mayor Litzner.

Absent: Councilmember Fullerton. It was moved by Mayor Litzner, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, to excuse Councilmember Fullerton due to illness. Motion carried unanimously.

Staff Present: Mike Stelmaszek, City Manager; Mark Wilk, Police Chief; Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer; Alycia McKowen, Library Director.

Consideration of minutes from April 17, 2018 Council meeting:

It was moved by Councilmember Clapperton, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, to approve the minutes of April 17, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

Limited Public Comment: None.

Additions to the Agenda:

City Manager Stelmaszek – Introduction of two new employees.

1. PUBLIC HEARING ON ROAD CLOSING (GRONDIN STREET):

It was moved by Councilmember Clapperton, seconded by Councilmember Tremble, to go into public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Public comment was received by Lisa Powers, City resident.

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, seconded by Councilmember Clapperton, to come out of public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

2. RESOLUTION GRONDIN STREET:

It was moved by Councilmember Tremble, supported by Councilmember St. Louis, to postpone this resolution pending more information about the proposed plans for development by requesting landowner, John Kling. Motion carried unanimously.

Additions to agenda:

City Manager Stelmaszek – Introduction of two new employees.

City Manager Stelmaszek introduced Kyle Mulka as the City’s newly-hired Assessor/Zoning/Ordinance Officer and also welcomed Library Director, Alycia McKowen.

3. RESOLUTION RRG RECREATIONAL PATHWAY:

RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered for adoption by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, supported by Councilmember St. Louis.

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace Planning Commission requests approval of the finished plan for a recreation pathway on the railroad grade in St. Ignace Michigan, presented by the Sustainable Built Environment Initiative (SBEI) to the people of St. Ignace and the St. Ignace Planning Commission, to be integrated with the 30-year plan of the DDA and the 5-year Recreation Plan, in order to have cohesive signage, mural designs, pathways, trailheads, and amenities such as benches, tables, lighting or other publicly used structures and areas.

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace Planning Commission, having received from the Sustainable Built Environment Initiative (SBEI), the finished plan for a recreation pathway on the Railroad Grade (RRG); and

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace DDA plan to develop “the entire railroad corridor as a utility corridor and a winter/summer recreational trail,” specifies that the RRG will be a multi-use pathway for traffic between the Little Bear East Recreation Area and the south end of the City of St. Ignace, MI; and

WHEREAS, it is best practice to insure that any work done on any segment of the pathway is complementary to the plan design, to guide future road and sidewalk work and pathway design on the RRG, to provide for contiguous bicycle, walking, driving, ORV, snowmobile and other routes; and

WHEREAS, the pathway on the Railroad Grade (RRG) will be called “the Iron Belle Corridor”; and

WHEREAS, the DDA and City have plans to improve roadways and the area around St. Anthony’s Rock Pocket Park and St. Anthony’s Rock on the RRG; and

WHEREAS, the DDA having passed this resolution, has forwarded it to the St. Ignace City Council; and

WHEREAS, the first portions of the pathway to be initiated will be designations of crosswalks and trailheads at the north and south ends of the pathway, and in the area adjacent to St. Anthony's Rock, and the marking of the portion of the pathway that will become the bicycle route; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of St. Ignace City Council does support the plan to develop a recreational pathway on the RRG and to be named "the Iron Belle Corridor".

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None.

Absent: Councilmember Fullerton.

Resolution declared Adopted.

4. RESOLUTION FISH FEAST:

RESOLUTION

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by Councilmember Clapperton, supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin:

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace Events Committee request permission to conduct the St. Ignace Fish Feast, and

WHEREAS, this event requires the usage of the St. Ignace public marina, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 413 of the City of St. Ignace, "The Peddler's Ordinance", requires certain criteria be met in order for the event to be held.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Ignace City Council has determined that the St. Ignace Events Committee does meet the criteria established in the various sections of the Ordinance No. 413, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does approve the usage of the St. Ignace public marina for this event on Saturday, July 21, 2018, from 2:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None.

Absent: Councilmember Fullerton.

Resolution declared Adopted.

5. RESOLUTION BEETLES ON THE MAC-BREWS AND BLUES:

RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace Events Committee request permission to conduct the Beetles on the Mac-Brews and Blues, and

WHEREAS, this event requires the usage of the St. Ignace Little Bear East Arena parking lot and St. Ignace Marina parking lot, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 413 of the City of St. Ignace, "The Peddler's Ordinance", requires certain criteria be met in order for the event to be held.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Ignace City Council has determined that the St. Ignace Events Committee does meet the criteria established in the various sections of the Ordinance No. 413, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does approve the usage of the St. Ignace Little Bear East Arena parking lot and St. Ignace Marina parking lot for this event on Saturday, August 4, 2018.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None.

Absent: Councilmember Fullerton.

Resolution declared Adopted.

6. RESOLUTION PORSCHE ON THE MAC:

RESOLUTION

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by Councilmember Clapperton, supported by Councilmember Tremble:

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace Events Committee request permission to conduct the Porsches on the Mac, and

WHEREAS, this event requires the usage of the St. Ignace Little Bear East Arena parking lot and St. Ignace Marina parking lot, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 413 of the City of St. Ignace, "The Peddler's Ordinance", requires certain criteria be met in order for the event to be held.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Ignace City Council has determined that the St. Ignace Events Committee does meet the criteria established in the various sections of the Ordinance No. 413, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does approve the usage of the St. Ignace Little Bear East Arena parking lot and St. Ignace Marina parking lot for this event on Saturday, August 18, 2018.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None.

Absent: Councilmember Fullerton.

Resolution declared Adopted.

7. RESOLUTION ANTIQUE TRACTOR SHOW:

RESOLUTION

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, supported by Councilmember Tremble:

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace Events Committee request permission to conduct the Antique Tractor Show & Crossing, and

WHEREAS, this event requires the usage of Little Bear East Arena parking lot, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 413 of the City of St. Ignace, "The Peddler's Ordinance", requires certain criteria be met in order for the event to be held.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Ignace City Council has determined that the St. Ignace Events Committee does meet the criteria established in the various sections of the Ordinance No. 413, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council does approve the usage of the St. Ignace Public Marina and Little Bear East Arena parking lots for this event on:

Friday, September 7, 2018 at 9a.m. thru
Saturday, September 8, 2018 until 8p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None.

Absent: Councilmember Fullerton.

Resolution declared Adopted.

8. RESOLUTION ARTS AND CRAFTS DOCKSIDE:

Resolution

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin supported by Councilmember Tremble:

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace Chamber of Commerce requests permission to sponsor and

hold the “Arts & Crafts Dockside”, and

WHEREAS, the event requires the use of public streets and property in the Public Marina parking lot area, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 413 of the City of St. Ignace, “The Peddler’s Ordinance”, as amended, requires certain criteria be met by the St. Ignace Chamber of Commerce in compliance with the “Special Events” requirements of the City, and

WHEREAS, the St. Ignace Chamber of Commerce has provided the City Council with all of the information required by Ordinance No. 413.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council has determined that the St. Ignace Chamber of Commerce has met the criteria established in the various sections of Ordinance No. 413, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does approve the St. Ignace Chamber of Commerce to be a Special Events Organization and approves the use of the Public Marina parking lot area and the easterly northbound lane of South State Street between McCann Street on the South and Truckey Street on the North for this event on:

Friday, August 31, 2018
Saturday, September 1, 2018
Sunday, September 2, 2018

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None.

Absent: Councilmember Fullerton.

Resolution declared Adopted.

9. AMBULANCE PURCHASE AND FINANCING:

Police Chief Wilk informed Council the Straits Area Ambulance Committee met and discussed the need for a new ambulance. Police Chief Wilk explained that after researching the option for a remounted ambulance, it would be more cost efficient to pursue the purchase of a new ambulance at an estimate of \$165,968, shared between the four townships and the City. Police Chief Wilk added Hendricks Township has agreed to support the purchase of the new ambulance and to purchase the outgoing ambulance from Straits Area Ambulance for \$1, so as

to make their ambulance available to trade-in for \$2500. Police Chief Wilk also confirmed Moran Township has agreed on the purchase of a new ambulance and that he has yet to seek approval from St. Ignace Township and Brevort Township.

City Manager Stelmaszek stated to Council that the last payment for the currently financed ambulance is scheduled for 2019, the same year as the estimated first payment for the new ambulance will be due. After some discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Tremble, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to authorize Police Chief Wilk to pursue the purchase of the new ambulance. Motion carried unanimously.

10. REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A POOL OF CANDIDATES FOR ANTICIPATED VACANCY OF POLICE OFFICERS:

Police Chief Wilk informed Council of concerns of two officers possibly leaving full-time with the department for other opportunities and requested to actively seek interested candidates to prepare to fill those positions if necessary. It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to approve Police Chief Wilk to seek interested candidates for positions with the Police Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

None.

Consideration of Bills:

It was moved by Mayor Litzner, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$ 75,845.72. Motion carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented to Council for payment:

ACC PLANNED SERVICE INC	5,105.41
ACE HARDWARE	1,124.54
ANDERSON TACKMAN & COMPANY	1,275.10
BELONGA'S PLUMBING AND HEATING	65.00
BS & A SOFTWARE	3,856.00
BSN/PASSON'S/US GAMES	50.98
CORE TECHNOLOGY CORP	720.00
CRANE ENGINEERING SALES INC	4,855.60
CUT RIVER SMALL ENGINE REPAIR	30.00
ETNA SUPPLY COMPANY	945.10
EUP FIRE ASSOCIATION	250.00
GEORGES AUTO PARTS	200.00
GEORGE'S BODY SHOP	603.55
GORDON FOOD SERVICE	201.28
HACH COMPANY	415.75

HOLIDAY INN	244.78
HYDRITE CHEMICAL CO	1,835.66
IDEXX DISTRIBUTION CORP	1,100.78
INTERSTATE BATTERIES	148.85
KIMBALL-MIDWEST	294.87
MACKINAC PLUMBING AND HEATING CO	77.69
MACKINAC SALES	8.60
MICHAEL RICHARD LAMB	27.00
MY-LOR INC	104.05
NATIONAL OFFICE PRODUCTS	619.18
NCL OF WISCONSIN INC	408.34
OSCAR W LARSON	2,928.76
PARAGON LABS	222.50
SKINNER'S GARAGE INC	146.22
SOLUTIONS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC.	612.45
ST IGNACE AUTOMOTIVE	352.40
ST IGNACE TRUE VALUE	760.29
ST IGNACE VISITOR'S BUREAU	3,000.00
STANDARD ELECTRIC COMPANY	2,671.10
UIS SCADA	29,183.89
WILCOX CONSTRUCTION	11,400.00
Grand Total:	\$75,845.72

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Connie Litzner, Mayor

Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer