City of St. Ignace Council Proceedings (Official)

A Regular Meeting of the St. Ignace City Council was held on Monday, October 7, 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 and St. Louis.

Absent: Councilmember Tremble. It was moved by Mayor Litzner, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to excuse Councilmember Tremble from the meeting due to work commitments. Motion carried unanimously.

Staff Present: Mike Stelmaszek, City Manager; Anthony Brown, Police Chief; Kyle Mulka, City Assessor; Bill Fraser, DPW Director; Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer; Charles Palmer, City Attorney.

Consideration of minutes from September 16, 2019 Council meeting:

It was moved by Councilmember Clapperton, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to approve the minutes of September 16, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of minutes from October 1, 2019 Special Council meeting:

It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Pelter, to approve the minutes of October 1, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Limited Public Comment:

Public comment was received regarding a Public Participation Plan from the Planning Commission, the City Charter, Little Bear East seasonal staff and zoning.

Additions to the Agenda:

Mayor Litzner – Coast Guard Letter:

Mayor Litzner informed Council that the Coast Guard submitted a thank you letter to the City regarding Police Officer Cullen's assistance to the Coast Guard in responding to an incident under the Mackinac Bridge last month.

1. RESOLUTION INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY:

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The following resolution was offered for adoption by Councilmember St. Louis, supported by Councilmember Pelter:

WHEREAS, a true and accurate account of the residence and occupation of the Americas by Indigenous people since time immemorial, and long before Christopher Columbus sailed, is necessary to set the historical record straight and to respect the culture, language and traditional life ways of our Indigenous ancestors; and WHEREAS, the indigenous people of the lands which would later be known as the Americas were not discovered by Christopher Columbus in 1492; and

WHEREAS, several major cities in America have been successful in changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day to celebrate and recognize indigenous people and to reflect upon the ongoing struggles of indigenous people on this land, and to celebrate the thriving cultures and value that Indigenous nations add to cities; and

WHEREAS, having the citizens of the United States of America recognize and celebrate the heritage of indigenous peoples is necessary to respect their history and unite all peoples together.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby support the change of Columbus Day (2nd Monday of October) to be known in the future as Indigenous Peoples Day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Council officially recognizes Indigenous Peoples Day on the second Monday of October and urges communities throughout the State of Michigan, to officially recognize it as well, along with celebrating the thriving culture of indigenous people and to encourage other businesses, organizations and public entities and support celebration among the broader community."

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council does recognize and approve Indigenous Peoples Day on the second Monday of October.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Councilmember Fullerton, Mayor Litzner, Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, Councilmembers Pelter,

St. Louis and Clapperton.

No: None.

Absent: Councilmember Tremble.

Resolution declared Adopted.

2. AMERICA IN BLOOM PROGRAM:

Mayor Litzner introduced Sam Belonga, owner of St. Ignace in Bloom Greenhouse, to request Council's support to participate in the America in Bloom Program on behalf of the City of St. Ignace. Mrs. Belonga explained that, if accepted, the City of St. Ignace would be evaluated and offered information on improving the beautification of the City and its' overall presentation.

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to support the submission to this program. Motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF ELECTION INSPECTORS:

City Manager Stelmaszek informed Council that the Election Commission has appointed Laurie Steiner, Renee Vonderwerth, Donna LaLonde, Susan Paul, Mary Kay Tamlyn and Sherry Cece as Election Inspectors for the November 5th General Election. Sherry Cece and Donna LaLonde have also been appointed to be members of the Receiving Board. It was moved by Councilmember Clapperton, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to approve the Election Chairperson/Inspectors and the Receiving Board for the November 5, 2019 General Election. Motion carried unanimously.

4. PRESENTATION OF 2020 BUDGET 101 FUND (DRAFT):

City Manager Stelmaszek reviewed the draft of the General Fund budget for 2020 with Council.

5. HOPE NETWORK HIGH DENSITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT:

Mayor Litzner announced that this agenda item will be presented at a Public Hearing at a later date.

6. PERMISSION FOR DPW TRUCK REPAIR:

Bill Fraser, DPW Director, requested Council's permission to bring a DPW snow plow/dump truck in for repair and to purchase underbody scraper blades for the DPW fleet.

It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Councilmember Clapperton, to approve the lowest bid for the truck repair with Grand Traverse Diesel for \$2,664. Motion carried unanimously. It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to approve the purchase of the underbody scraper blades from the recommended supplier, Ted Festerling LLC, for \$4,412. Motion carried unanimously.

DPW Director Fraser informed Council that he has found an offer for a used Sterling plow truck from the City of West Branch and believes it will satisfy the City's need for a complete fleet of plow trucks. It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, to purchase the plow truck with \$10,000 from the Equipment Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

7. PAY REQUEST & CHANGE ORDER REQUEST WASTEWATER PROJECT 16-0072:

City Manager Stelmaszek presented Council with a pay request for the Wastewater Project 16-0072 and an added change order to reallocate the original project budget. It was moved by Councilmember Fullerton, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, to approve the pay

request/change order presented. Motion carried unanimously.

8. REQUEST TO HIRE TERYN WILLIAMS TO ASSIST IN THE TRANSITION OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

City Manager Stelmaszek requested Council's approval to re-hire Teryn Williams as a temporary Interim-Recreation Director until the position is filled and she has one week to train the new employee. It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Councilmember Fullerton, to approve hiring Teryn Williams as the temporary Interim-Recreation Director through the first week of the new hire's training period. Motion carried unanimously.

9. REQUEST TO PURCHASE SOFTWARE FOR LBE AND DUMBBELL SETS FOR FITNESS CENTER:

City Manager Stelmaszek presented Council with a quote for gym membership software that will assist in tracking members' use of the Little Bear East Fitness Center, with the potential of allowing extended access.

It was moved by Councilmember Pelter, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, to approve the purchase of the Gym Assistant system for \$1,395 from Bio-Logic, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Stelmaszek requested Council's approval to also purchase a set of dumbbells to replace those in the Fitness Center from the recommended vendor Fitness Factory. It was moved by Councilmember St. Louis, seconded by Councilmember Clapperton, to approve the purchase for \$1,699 from the Fitness Factory. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Several public comments were received regarding zoning, City ordinances, Fitness Center extended hours, the City's budget and the Coast Guard's correspondence to the City.

Consideration of Bills:

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Paquin, seconded by Councilmember St. Louis, to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$25,658.54. Motion carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented to Council for payment:

ARNOLD'S REFRIGERATION		1,321.27
BELONGA EXCAVATING, LLC		75.00
BELONGA'S PLUMBING AND HEATING		359.41
BRIANNA ALLEN		620.00
CHEBOYGAN LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS INC		4,500.00
FERGUSON WATERWORKS #3386		711.84
FIRE CATT LLC		3,481.30
GEORGE'S BODY SHOP		176.07
INTERSTATE BATTERIES		209.95
LYNN AUTO PARTS		2,720.53
MACKINAC SALES		612.29
MAXWELL MEDALS & AWARDS		2,101.45
MELISSA HESS		103.58
MICHAEL D PIEHL		150.00
MICHAEL RICHARD LAMB		1,660.00
MICHIGAN BOATING INDUSTRIES		150.00
MICHIGAN STEAM		272.76
MICROBIOLOGICS INC		201.41
MINNESOTA CONWAY FIRE & SAFETY INC		2,119.00
NORRIS CONTRACTING		1,208.13
NORTHERN SHIRT COMPANY, LLC		240.00
PARAGON LABS		75.00
POWER PLAN		224.90
SAFETY-KLEEN SYSTEMS INC		158.00
SAMANTHA RADECKI		264.00
SAULT PRINTING COMPANY		70.44
ST IGNACE AUTOMOTIVE		198.00
STRAITS AREA GLASS		221.69
SUNSHINE FILTERS OF PINELLAS INC		289.23
SYNCB/AMAZON		310.16
TAYLOR AUTO SUPPLY LLC		24.85
TED FESTERLING LLC		337.29
WESLEY H MAURER JR		490.99
	Grand Total:	\$25,658.54

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Connie Litzner, Mayor

Andrea Insley, City Clerk/Treasurer