

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

July 3, 2017

The Municipal Council of the City of Alpena met in regular session at City Hall on the above date and was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Mayor.

Present: Mayor Waligora, Councilmembers Nowak, Johnson, and Nielsen.

Absent: Sexton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular session of June 19, 2017, and the closed session of June 19, 2017, were approved as printed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

1. Bills Allowed – in the Amount of \$928,795.01 be Allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk Authorized to Sign Warrant in Payment of Same.
2. Approval of Huron Humane Society Fundraiser on July 22, 2017.
3. Budget Amendment – Ambulance Department, \$20,000 Carryover of Monitor Defibrillators to 2017-18 Fiscal Year.
4. Approval of Fresh Palate's Request for a Noise Variance from 10 pm to 12 am on July 8, July 28, August 5, and August 19, for Music in the Alley.

Carried by unanimous vote.

DUFFY GORSKI "ALL HANDS ON DECK" PROTECT THE GREAT LAKES

Duffy Gorski, on behalf of the non-profit group, All Hands on Deck, gave a presentation on the protection and restoration of the Great Lakes. He asked Council to consider individual pledges based on unbiased, sound science in decision-making, concerning the Great Lakes.

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR SHUTTING DOWN ENBRIDGE LINE 5 OIL

PIPELINE UNDER THE STRAITS OF MACKINAC

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, that a Resolution of support for shutting down Enbridge Line 5 oil pipeline under the Straits of Mackinac, be approved.

Motion failed due to lack of support.

**REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT FROM THE
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NORTHEAST MICHIGAN (CFNEM)**

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, that Tim Kuehnlein, on behalf of the City, apply for a Community Impact Grant from the Community Foundation of Northeast Michigan (CFNEM), to be used for improvements to the Chisholm Street Pocket Park, with the City as the fiduciary.

Carried by unanimous vote.

COUNTY OF ALPENA AMENDED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, that the Amended Interlocal Recycling Agreement between the City and County of Alpena, for a \$20 recycling surcharge per year, per household, to be placed on the winter tax bill, be approved.

Carried by unanimous vote.

TRAPPING, SPAYING & NEUTERING ABANDONED CATS

TRAP, NEUTER, RELEASE (TNR)

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, to approve the Trap, Neuter, Release (TNR) program, with the exception that cats are returned to where they were trapped in the City, and not taken to the Huron Humane Society.

Carried by unanimous vote.

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO CONTRACT WITH MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MDOT) FOR SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS AT
US-23 AND SECOND AVENUE**

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, to approve the Resolution to authorize the City to contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), for signal modifications at US-23 and Second Avenue, to accommodate two-way traffic and reimburse MDOT for the cost of the modification.

Carried by unanimous vote.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, that the Municipal Council adjourn to a closed session at 6:43 p.m. to discuss Water and Sewer Litigation.

Carried by unanimous vote.

RECESS

The Municipal Council recessed at 6:43 p.m.

RECONVENE – CLOSED SESSION

The Municipal Council reconvened in closed session at 6:51 p.m.

RECONVENE – OPEN SESSION

On motion of Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, the Municipal Council reconvened in open session at 8:00 p.m.

Carried by unanimous vote.

On motion of Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, the Municipal Council adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

MATTHEW J. WALIGORA
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Karen Hebert
City Clerk