

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

May 4, 2020

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

Present: Mayor Waligora, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, Councilmembers Nowak, Hess, and Mitchell.

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular and closed sessions of April 20, 2020 meeting were approved as printed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

1. Bills Allowed – in the Amount of \$334,899.09 be Allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk Authorized to Sign Warrant in Payment of Same.
2. City Council reappointment of Tom Dowd and Dave Kuznicki to the Recreation Advisory Board for a three-year term expiring on May 1, 2023.

Carried by unanimous vote.

2020-21 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, to receive and file the preliminary budget for fiscal year 2020-21.

Carried by unanimous vote.

CHANGE OF PENSION BENEFICIARY

City Attorney Pfeifer informed the Municipal Council of a change in pension beneficiary as voted upon by the Retirement Board.

BOAT LAUNCH PERMIT FEES

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to give a 50% discount of the scheduled boat launch permit fees to city residents which will be effective April 1, 2021.

Carried by unanimous vote.

WATER AND SEWER RATE RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nowak, to table the discussion of the water and sewer rates until the meeting of May 18, 2020.

Carried by unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE 20-454

City Attorney Pfeifer delivered the first reading of Ordinance 20-454, amending Chapter 18, Article I, Section 18-1, Prohibition of Marihuana Businesses and Establishments within the City.

JULY 2020 FIREWORKS CONTRACT

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nowak, the July 2020 Fireworks Contract was tabled until the meeting of May 18, 2020.

Carried by unanimous vote.

RECESS

The Municipal Council recessed at 8:51 p.m.

RECONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

On motion of Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, the Municipal Council reconvened in closed session at 8:58 p.m. to discussed collective bargaining agreements and to consult with the City Attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with pending litigation in the matter of Blakemore v City of Alpena and Lee Grant U.S. District Court Docket No. 20-10248.

Carried by unanimous vote.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nowak, the Municipal Council reconvened in open session at 9:36 p.m.

ADJOURN

On motion of Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Hess, the Municipal Council adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Matthew Waligora
Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna Soik
City Clerk