

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

December 21, 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.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, to approve the agenda.

Motion carried 5-0.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular and closed sessions of December 7, 2020 were approved as printed.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Bills Allowed – in the Amount of \$1,298,005.48 be Allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk Authorized to Sign Warrant in Payment of Same.
- B. Council Appointment of Griffin Saddler to the Recreation Advisory Board for a Three-Year Term Expiring on December 1, 2023.
- C. Budget Amendment Request to Increase the Supply Account Within the General Fund for COVID-19 Related Expenses.

Motion carried 5-0.

CITY WIDE PRIDE PROGRAM

Eight City employees were recognized for exhibiting “City Wide Pride” as follows: DPW Technician, Tim Corn; Administrative Assistant for Police and Fire, Tracy Marquardt; Fire Command, Mike Sanders; Firefighter/Paramedic, Chris Morrison; Police Command, Eric Hamp; Police Patrol, Linnessa Mellberg; Engineering Assistant, Shannon Smolinski; and Human Resources Director, Kathy Himes.

NEW CITY EMPLOYEES

Andrea Kares, Planning and Development Director introduced Administrative Assistant, Kathleen Sauve, and Building Inspector, Billy Vogt.

FARMER'S MARKET LEASE AGREEMENT

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to postpone a decision on the Farmer's Market Lease of Mich-e-ke-wis warming shelter until the January 19, 2021 meeting.

Motion carried 5-0.

FINE ART/CRAFT EVENT

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Hess, to approve the Blue Ribbon Event/Art Fair at Duck Park on June 25-27, 2021.

Motion carried 5-0.

ALPENA COUNTY AMBULANCE SERVICE CONTRACT

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nowak, to approve the 4-year contract with Alpena County for ambulance service.

Motion carried 5-0.

BOWFISHING TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

The Municipal Council discussed the request to conduct a bowfishing tournament fundraiser to be held in the spring of 2021. The request will be presented to the Council again once a firm date has been determined by the Thunder Bay River Center Board.

NORTH SECOND AVENUE AND MILLER STREET INTERSECTION

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, to postpone a decision on the North Second Avenue and Miller Street intersection project until the January 19, 2021 meeting.

Motion carried 5-0.

SEWER MAIN ANALYTICAL TOOL RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, to approve the purchase of the Sewer Ling Rapid Assessment Tool and accessories in the amount of \$26,330.

Motion carried 5-0.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTERS VALVES BID RECOMMENDATION

The following sealed bids were received on December 8, 2020 for the purchase of water treatment plant filters 5-7 valves:

Hamlett Environmental	\$85,182.00
Harrington Process Solutions	\$67,834.87
Michigan Pipe and Valve	\$93,211.00
The Macomb Group	\$54,892.47
Alpena Supply	Rejected – received after 2 p.m. deadline.

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to approve the purchase of Water Treatment Plant filters 5-7 valves for the base bid of \$54,892.47 and for the manual overrides in the amount of \$10,751.52 to The Macomb Group.

Motion carried 5-0.

RECESS

The Municipal Council recessed at 7:47 p.m.

RECONVENE - CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nowak, to reconvene in closed session at 7:51 p.m. to consult with the City's attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation, being Currier, LLC and Schultz vs. City of Alpena, Alpena County Circuit Court, because an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigation or settlement position of the City and to discuss collective bargaining as well.

Motion carried 5-0.

RECONVENE – OPEN SESSION

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, the Municipal Council reconvened in open session at 9:30 p.m.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nowak, to approve the Police Command contract for a period of three years, July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2023.

Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURN

On motion of Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, the
Municipal Council adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Matthew Waligora
Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna Soik
City Clerk