

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

September 05, 2023

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

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, Councilmember Mitchell, Councilmember Nowak, and Councilmember Walchak.

Absent: Mayor Waligora.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Walchak, to approve the agenda.

Motion carried 4-0, 1 absent.

MODIFICATION TO THE AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to modify the agenda to flip 14B and 14C, C now becoming B, and B becoming C.

Motion carried 4-0, 1 absent.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular and closed sessions of August 21, 2023, were approved as printed.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Bills to be allowed, in the amount of \$501,699.47, and authorize Mayor Waligora and Clerk Soik to sign.
- B. Mayoral appointment of Logan Kemp to the Planning Commission for a three-year term expiring on September 01, 2026.

- C. Council reappointment of Boris Gerber to the Wildlife Sanctuary Board for a three-year term expiring on September 01, 2026.
- D. Budget amendment request to carry over \$19,077 from FY23 to FY24 in the General Fund for the Police Department.
- E. Budget amendment request to carry over \$5,500 from FY23 to FY24 in the General Fund for the Building and Grounds Department.
- F. Budget amendment request to carry over \$527,000 from FY23 to FY24 in the Marina Fund.
- G. Budget amendment request to carry over \$17,900 from FY23 to FY24 in the General Fund for the Fire Department.

Motion carried 4-0, 1 absent.

CITY OF ALPENA STRATEGIC PLAN

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to receive and file [the City of Alpena Strategic Plan as presented].

Motion carried 4-0, 1 absent.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson proclaimed Saturday, September 09, 2023, as Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Recognition Day in the City of Alpena.

AMBULANCE TRANSPORT SERVICES INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Moved by Councilmember Walchak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Advanced Life Support Ambulance Transport Services with Presque Isle Township for Fire District #2 for the period of September 01, 2023, through November 30, 2023, and authorize Mayor Waligora to sign the agreement.

Motion carried 4-0, 1 absent.

ORDINANCE NO. 23-495

Attorney Pfeifer delivered the first reading of Ordinance No. 23-495 which amends Chapter 86 - Taxation; Article V – Bingham School Tax Exemption, by amending Sec. 86-99 Duration.

ABSTENTION

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Walchak, to allow Mike [Nowak] to recuse himself for the reasons given [due to a relative owner of the business] for items under New Business (14B and 14C).

Motion carried 3-0, 1 absent, 1 abstain.

MARINA SHOP LEASE RENEWAL

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, to renew the lease with All Marine and Storage of Alpena, as per the attached lease and the above-stated modifications (2% increase in the rental amount plus an additional \$75 for their portion of the shared utilities) in the rental amount through December 31, 2024.

Motion carried 3-0, 1 absent, 1 abstain.

TRAVEL LIFT OPERATOR AND WINTER STORAGE SERVICES

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, to approve the contract for travel lift operator and winter storage services, as presented, until June 30, 2024.

Motion carried 3-0, 1 absent, 1 abstain.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Walchak, to approve the attached fee schedule as printed to reflect the changes.

Motion carried 3-0, 1 absent, 1 abstain.

PURCHASING POLICY VARIANCE

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Walchak, to approve the variance of Council Policy No. 18 to allow for the solicitation of quotes and to issue a PO (Purchase Order) for the pump.

Motion carried 4-0, 1 absent.

RECESS

The Municipal Council recessed from 6:32 p.m. to 6:33 p.m.

RECONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to adjourn to closed session to discuss: (1) an update on the water and sewer litigation; and (2) collective bargaining agreement for police supervisory unit.

Motion carried 4-0, 1 absent.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Municipal Council reconvened in open session at 7:38 p.m.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Walchak, to approve the collective bargaining agreement for the Alpena Police Supervisory Division affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Police for the term of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026, and authorize Mayor Waligora to sign the agreement.

Motion carried 4-0, 1 absent.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, the Municipal Council adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Cindy Johnson
Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Anna Soik
City Clerk