

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

February 05, 2024

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.

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

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

Motion carried 5-0.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular session of January 16, 2024, were approved as printed.

The minutes of the special session of February 01, 2024, need a correction.

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nowak, to modify the minutes of February 01, 2024, to remove the second occurrence of "Nowak" and replace with "Walchak" in the present section of the roll call.

Motion carried 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Bills to be allowed, in the amount of \$340,977.10, and authorize Mayor Johnson and Clerk Soik to sign the warrant.
- B. Approval of a noise ordinance variance request from the Alpena Blues Coalition for the

Alpena Blues Festival at the Alpena County Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 10 p.m. to 12 a.m.

- C. Approval of the Metro Act Right of Way permit extension for KEPS Technologies and authorize the City Clerk to sign on the City's behalf.
- D. Mayoral appointment of Sarah Honeycutt to the Historic District Study Committee for an undefined term.
- E. Mayoral appointment of Mike Glowinski and Mike Mahler to the Authority for Brownfield Redevelopment for a three-year term to expire on February 01, 2027.
- F. Council reappointment of Terry Gougeon and Tom Orth to the Wildlife Sanctuary Board for a three-year term to expire on February 01, 2027.
- G. Council reappointment of Wayne Lewis and AlDean Moe to the Harbor Advisory Committee for a three-year term to expire on February 01, 2027.
- H. Mayor appointment of Cassandra VanHorn to the Downtown Development Authority, as a student of Government for Tomorrow, for a one-year term to expire on February 05, 2025.
- I. Approval of a budget amendment request to account for a fire insurance withholding payment that was not budgeted in the amount of \$13,117.

Motion carried 5-0.

ALPENA PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to receive and file [the presentation by Alpena Public Schools Superintendent, David Rabbideau, of the operating millage ballot proposal on the February 27, 2024, election].

Motion carried 5-0.

SECOND QUARTER OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Walchak, to receive and file the [second quarter of fiscal year 2024] financial report.

Motion carried 5-0.

2024 ELECTION WORKERS' WAGES

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to increase hourly wages to \$15.84 for election chairpersons, \$13.75 for deputies, and \$12 for inspectors, excluding full-

owner sidewalk rate be established at \$4.42 per square foot.

Motion carried 5-0.

SUPPORT EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN RESOLUTION

Moved by Councilmember Kane, seconded by Councilmember Walchak, to approve Resolution 2024-02 which adopts the Support Emergency Operations Plan.

Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – MAYOR JOHNSON

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to approve the following committees for Mayor Johnson: Retirement Board, Northeast Michigan Materials Management Authority, Historic District Study Committee, Board of Review, Huron Humane Society, Park Foundation, Election Commission, Alpena County Land Bank (alternate), and DARE (alternate).

Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – MAYOR PRO TEM NOWAK

Moved by Councilmember Walchak, seconded by Mayor Johnson, to appoint the following committees for Mayor Pro Tem Nowak: Alpena County Central Dispatch, Retirement Board, Historic District Commission, Board of Review, Target Alpena, and Emergency Management Advisory Committee.

The above motion was amended. Moved by Councilmember Walchak, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell, to amend the motion regarding Mayor Pro Tem Nowak, to remove the appointment to Alpena County Central Dispatch.

Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – COUNCILMEMBER WALCHAK

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nowak, to appoint Councilmember Walchak to: Art Alpena, Historic District Study Committee, Board of Review, Alpena Authority for Brownfield Redevelopment, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council,

Historic District Commission, and the River Center Board (alternate).

Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – COUNCILMEMBER KANE

Moved by Mayor Johnson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nowak, to appoint Councilmember Kane to the HUNT Advisory Commission, Board of Review, Northeast Michigan Council of Governments Board (alternate), Art Alpena (alternate) and Emergency Management Advisory Committee (alternate).

Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – COUNCILMEMBER MITCHELL

Moved by Councilmember Kane, seconded by Councilmember Walchak, to approve the appointment of Councilmember Mitchell to: DARE, Alpena County Land Bank, Board of Review, Northeast Michigan Council of Governments Board, River Center Board, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council (alternate), Target Alpena (alternate), and HUNT Advisory Commission (alternate).

Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mayor Johnson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nowak, the Municipal Council adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Cindy Johnson
Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna Soik
City Clerk