

## Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held in person and via Zoom at 5:30 P.M., along with a Public Hearing at 5:25 P.M. on Monday, August 9, 2021.

1. Mayor Burchell called the Zoning Board of Appeals to order at 5:25 P.M.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to excuse Commissioner Corcoran from tonight's meeting.*

2. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioner Cayer, Mildren, Semo, and Mayor Burchell.

ABSENT: Commissioner Corcoran (excused).

3. Mayor Burchell opened public hearing at 5:26 P.M.

4. Public Hearing: To hear comment on a variance to Section 34-53 (Accessory Buildings) more than one accessory buildings over 200 sq. ft. for Charles and Gail Guerber (330 S. Marquette Street).

Community Development Director Tom Bergman addressed the City Commission stating the Guerbers are requesting a variance to build an accessory building 35' x 26' or 910 sq. ft garage at 330 S. Marquette Street. The current zoning only allows for one (1) accessory building, in addition to the principal garage, is permitted, but may not exceed two hundred (200) square feet. Currently there is one 500 sq. ft. accessory building located on the property. Mr. Bergman noted there is one variance that will be required to grant this request, all other regulations have been met. Mr. & Mrs. Guerber have already purchased the lot next door to them. Mr. Bergman stated it is staff's recommendation to grant the variance request as the project is a reasonable request for modern needs of a property owner. Mr. Bergman also noted that a recommendation by City Staff is only a recommendation. The decision solely rests on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

5. Mayor Burchell closed the public hearing at 5:33 P.M.

6. Consider action on Charles and Gail Guerber (330 S. Marquette Street) Residential Variance Request allowing an additional accessory building more than 200 sq. ft.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to grant Charles and Gail Guerber residential variance request allowing them to build an accessory building more than 200 sq. ft., a garage 35' x 26'. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

7. Mayor Burchell adjourned the Zoning Board of Appeals at 5:34 P.M.

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A. Mayor Burchell called the regular meeting to order at 5:34 P.M.

B. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioner Cayer, Mildren, Semo, and Mayor Burchell.  
ABSENT: Commissioner Corcoran (excused).

C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.\*

\*1) Approval of Minutes – Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of July 26<sup>th</sup>.

*Motion was made by Cayer, seconded by Mildren to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

D. Approval of the Agenda

*Motion was made by Cayer, seconded by Semo and carried to approve the agenda as presented.*

E. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

There were none.

F. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda (Three Minute Limit)

There were none.

**OLD BUSINESS**

G. Discuss and consider approval of final payment to Miller-Bradford & Risberg in the amount of \$13,956.99 for repairs to Department of Public Works Case Loader #74.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the final payment to Miller-Bradford & Risberg in the amount of \$13,956.99 for repairs to the Department of Public Works Case Loader #74. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

H. Discuss and consider approving pay application #1 to Angelo Luppino, Inc. for the 2021 local street paving project in the amount of \$64,315.17.

*Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo to approve pay application #1 to Angelo Luppino, Inc. for the 2021 local street paving project in the amount of \$64,315.17. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

I. Discuss and consider approving balancing change order and final pay application to P.K. Contracting, Inc. for the 2021 Street Pavement Markings in the amount of \$20,002.70.

*Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Cayer to approve the balancing change order and final pay application to P.K. Contracting, Inc. for the 2021 Street Pavement Markings in the amount of \$20,002.70. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- J. Discuss and consider approving pay application #2 to Snow Country Contracting in the amount of \$27,874.72 for the Miners' Memorial Heritage Park Mountain Bike Trail Head Parking Lots and Connector Trail Project.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve pay application #2 to Snow Country Contracting in the amount of \$27,874.72 for the Miners' Memorial Heritage Park Mountain Bike Trail Head Parking Lots and Connector Trail Project. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- K. Discuss and consider approving Final Pay Application to JCS, Inc. for Mine Shaft Safety Fencing and Jessieville Elevated Storage Tank Fencing to JCS, Inc. in the amount of \$5,866.00.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the Final Pay Application to JCS, Inc. for Mine Shaft Safety Fencing and Jessieville Elevated Storage Tank Fencing to JCS, Inc. in the amount of \$5,866.00. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- L. Discuss and consider awarding bid for cleaning and painting of Hockey Rink surface at the Pat O'Donnell Civic Center.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to award the bid for cleaning and painting of the hockey rink surface at the Pat O'Donnell Civic Center to Rink-Tec in the amount of \$30,180.00. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- M. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #021-020 Mayor's Proclamation recognizing "Suicide Prevention Week".

*Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo to adopt Resolution #021-020 Mayor's Proclamation recognizing September 5<sup>th</sup> through September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as "Suicide Prevention Week". Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

Pat Gallinaugh was present and urged everyone to attend the Danny Baross Softball Tournament supporting the Suicide Prevention Fund on August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> in Montreal, Wisconsin. Mr. Gallinaugh also mentioned there would be a memorial service for those who were lost to suicide on September 11<sup>th</sup> at the Gogebic Community College, Lindquist Center from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

- N. Discuss and consider authorizing advertisement to bid the large and small fleet vehicles for City of Ironwood Department of Public Works.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to authorize advertisement to bid the large and small fleet vehicles for the City of Ironwood Public Works Department.*

- O. Discuss and consider authorizing advertisement to bid the demolition of 400 E. Tamarack Street, Ironwood, MI 49938.

**Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo and carried to authorize advertisement to bid the demolition of 400 E. Tamarack Street, Ironwood, MI 49938.

P. Discuss and consider authorizing advertisement to bid the demolition of 716 Garvey Street, Ironwood, MI 49938.

**Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to authorize advertisement to bid the demolition of 716 Garvey Street.

Q. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #021-019 Gogebic County Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption

**Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to adopt Resolution #021-019 Gogebic County Hazard Mitigation Plan adoption. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

R. Discuss and consider scheduling a public hearing for Monday, September 13, 2021, at 5:20 p.m. for Resolution #021 -021 condemnation of the stairwell structure at 420 McLeod Ave., Ironwood, MI 49938.

**Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to schedule a public hearing for Monday, September 13, 2021, at 5:20 p.m. for Resolution #021-021 condemnation of the stairwell structure at 420 McLeod Ave., Ironwood, MI 49938. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

S. Discuss and consider scheduling a public hearing for Monday, September 13, 2021, at 5:25 p.m. for Resolution #021 -022 condemnation of a structure at 110 E. Birch St., Ironwood, MI 49938.

**Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to schedule a public hearing for Monday, September 13, 2021, at 5:25 p.m. for Resolution #021-022 condemnation of a structure at 110 E. Birch St., Ironwood, MI 49938. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

T. Manager's Report.

City Manager Scott B. Erickson verbally gave the Manager's report noting the following items:

\*U.P. City Fest will take place in downtown Ironwood on Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

\*Gogebic County Fair is August 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>.

\*Jakes' Excavating is finalizing the landscaping on Lake Avenue and Chestnut Street, along with the curbing on Pewabic.

\*The compost site is temporarily closed. City Manager Erickson gave a brief history of the events at the compost site. He further noted that hopefully in the next couple of weeks the city will have it cleaned up and have a plan for taking more trees and compost at the site.

U. Other Matters.

Commissioner Cayer complained of the skunky smell in the downtown area.

Commissioner Mildren applauded another First Friday great event that happened with the Superior Horns and Blue Ice playing down at the City Downtown Square.

Commissioner Semo mentioned how great it was to see the number of people downtown.

Mayor Burchell thanked the City Staff (DPW) for keeping everything so nice and clean downtown during all the events. She also mentioned how nice and colorful the flags are downtown on the flagpoles for the Ember Light Event.

V. Adjournment.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m.*

Annette Da Lio-Burchell, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk