

## 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. on Monday, September 27, 2021.

A. Mayor Burchell called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

B. Recording of the Roll.

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

ABSENT: None.

C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.\*

\*1) Approval of Minutes – Regular City Commission Meeting of September 13, 2021.

\*2) Review and Place on File:

- a. Ironwood Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of June 3 and July 1, 2021.
- b. Park & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of June 10 and August 2, 2021.
- c. Ironwood Housing Commission Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2021.
- d. Pat O'Donnell Civic Center Meeting Minutes of September 7, 2021.
- e. Comprehensive Plan Review and Planning Commission – Annual Report.

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

E. Review and Place on File:

1. Revenue & Expenditure Report.
2. Cash and Investment Summary Report.

*Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Cayer to receive and place on file the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures Report for the month ending August 31, 2021, and the Cash and Investment Summary Report for August 31, 2021. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

F. Approval of Monthly Check Register Report.

*Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Cayer to approve the Monthly Check Register Report for August 2021. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

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

There were none.

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

There were none.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- I. Discuss and Consider approval of Change Order #1 and final payment to Ross Peterson Construction for compost site grading.

*Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Corcoran to approve Change Order #1 and final payment of \$5,357.50 to Ross Peterson Construction for the compost site grading. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- J. Discuss and Consider approving final payment to Tiziani Sand and Gravel, LLC for 2,000 tons of Winter Street Sand in the amount of \$16,980.00.

*Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Cayer to approve the final payment to Tiziani Sand and Gravel, LLC for 2,000 tons of Winter Street Sand in the amount of \$16,980.00. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- K. Discuss and Consider approving final payment to Smily's Excavating for 3,000 tons of 22A Gravel in the amount of \$27,000.00.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the final payment to Smily's Excavating for 3,000 tons of 22A Gravel in the amount of \$27,000.00. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- L. Discuss and Consider approval of Pay Request No. 5 in the amount of \$210,645.96 (Water – \$69,544.18, Sewer - \$141,101.78) for the City of Ironwood – 2021 Water and Sewer Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

*Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Corcoran to approve Pay Request No. 5 to Jake's Excavating & Landscaping, LLC in the amount of \$210,645.96 (Water-\$69,544.18, Sewer-\$141,101.78) for the City of Ironwood – 2021 Water and Sewer Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

## NEW BUSINESS

M. Discuss and Consider approval of services agreement with CBIZ Benefits & Insurance Services, Inc. for actuarial services in the amount of \$6,000.00 and authorize City Manager to sign.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve services agreement with CBIZ Benefits & Insurance Services, Inc. for actuarial services in the amount of \$6,000.00 and authorize City Manager to sign same. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

N. Discussion on City of Ironwood Parks.

A brief discussion took place regarding the vandalism in the City of Ironwood Parks.

Commissioner Corcoran expressed her dismay with the vandalism in the Parks, mostly in Depot Park and listed numerous items being destroyed.

Public Safety Director DiGiorgio weighed in and urged residents to call 9-1-1 whenever there is a problem. Education on dialing 9-1-1 was also suggested since this is our areas dispatch. Director DiGiorgio felt there are many great ideas and strategies for the future that could be implemented. Further discussion of this matter took place.

O. Discuss and Consider authorizing extension of Norrie Park License Agreement with ABR, Inc. and Anderson Bluffs and River Trail Foundation winter use agreement.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Corcoran to authorize extension of Norrie Park License Agreement with ABR, Inc. and Anderson Bluffs and River Trail Foundation winter use agreement with keeping the trails in good shape year-round with clearing of brush and mowing appropriately. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

P. Other Matters.

Commissioner Semo thanked City Staff and Ironwood Tourism Council for the great new tourism video of our area. He further noted it was great to meet the Mountain Bike Developer who is making all the great trails in the Miners' Memorial Heritage Park.

Commissioner Mildren noted how lucky he was to have 12 people from Madison come to our area and express how much they love all the area attractions. He further noted it is a wonderful use of our infrastructure.

Q. Manager's Report.

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

\*The City Wide Clean Up is scheduled for Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. behind the Ironwood Public Safety Department.

\*First Friday will be Plaidurday starting at 4:00 p.m. with the picture taking place at 6:00 p.m.

- \*Hydrant Flushing will take place from Sunday to Friday next week.
- \*Bridges and Bluffs Half Marathon Event took place last weekend with a great turnout.
- \*The stairwell was removed on the structure located on McLeod.
- \*The Pat O'Donnell Civic Center will be holding their Grand Opening on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> starting at noon.
- \*The City Deer Management Program will begin on Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.

R. Consider Closed Session to consult with city attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation pursuant to MCL15.268(e).

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to enter in to Closed Session at 6:18 p.m. to consult with city attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation pursuant to MCL15.26(e). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

S. Return to open session.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to return to open session at 6:25 p.m.*

T. Adjournment.

*Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Corcoran and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 P.M.*

Annette Da Lio-Burchell, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk