

Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on January 9, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. in the Commission Chambers, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood, Michigan.

- A. Mayor Corcoran called the Regular Meeting to Order at 5:30 P.M.
- B. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioner Cayer, Semo, Shackleford, Tauer, and Mayor Corcoran.

ABSENT: None.

- C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.*

*1) Approval of Minutes – December 27th Regular City Commission Meeting.

*2) Review and Place on File:

- a) Park and Recreation Meeting Minutes of December 5th.

*3) Schedule a Public Hearing for Monday, January 23, 2012 at 5:10 P.M. to discuss an application for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption (IFT) from Ottawa Forest Products, Inc.

*4) Schedule a Public Hearing for Monday, January 23, 2012 at 5:20 P.M. to consider a grant application to USDA Rural Development Grant for Federal Assistance for the purchase of a Public Patrol Car in the amount of \$9,000.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Shackleford to approve the consent agenda as amended with item 3) as follows: *3) Schedule a Public Hearing for Monday, January 23, 2012 at 5:10 P.M. to discuss an application under Act 328 Personal Property Tax Exemption for Ottawa Forest Products, Inc.. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- D. Approval of the Agenda.

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

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

Don Maki, of 132 Smith Street requested to speak under Item G., H., and I. depending on the change.

OLD BUSINESS

- F. Discuss and Consider awarding Spring Creek Timber Sale to Snow Ridge Lumber, Inc. in the amount of \$38,972.40.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Shackleford to award the Spring Creek Timber Sale to Snow Ridge Lumber, Inc. in the amount of \$38,972.40. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

NEW BUSINESS

- G. Discuss and Consider approving Change Order #5 - Norrie/Jessieville Utility Project Phase II in the amount of \$892,045.15.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Shackleford to approve Change Order #5 - Norrie/Jessieville Utility Project Phase II in the amount of \$892,045.15. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- H. Discuss and Consider approving Consulting Engineering Services Amendment with Coleman Engineering for the Norrie/Jessieville Utility Project Phase II (Water) in the amount of \$42,300.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Shackelford to approve the Consulting Engineering Services Amendment with Coleman Engineering for the Norrie/Jessieville Utility Project Phase II (Water) in the amount of \$42,300. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- I. Discuss and Consider approving Consulting Engineering Services Amendment with Coleman Engineering for the Norrie/Jessieville Utility Project Phase II (Sewer) in the amount of \$42,300.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Shackelford to approve the Consulting Engineering Services Amendment with Coleman Engineering for the Norrie/Jessieville Utility Project Phase II (Sewer) in the amount of \$42,300. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- J. Mayor's Appointments.

Mayor Corcoran re-appointed Marilyn Nygard and appointed Robert Burchell to the expired term of Charles Lorenson (term expiring December 31, 2014) and Gemma Lamb and Aaron Anderson to an unexpired term of Kathryn Probelske and Margaret Rayner (term expiring December 31, 2012).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Shackelford and carried to approve the Mayor's re-appointment of Marilyn Nygard and appointment of Robert Burchell to the expired term of Charles Lorenson on the Board of Review (term expiring December 31, 2014) and Gemma Lamb and Aaron Anderson to the unexpired term of Kathryn Probelske and Margaret Rayner on the Board of Review (term expiring December 31, 2012).

Mayor Corcoran appointed Robert Burchell to the unexpired term of Jackie Powers on the Planning Commission (term expiring December 31, 2013) and re-appointed LeRoy Johnson to a three-year term (term expiring December 31, 2014).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Shackelford and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Robert Burchell to the unexpired term of Jackie Powers on the Planning Commission (term expiring December 31, 2013) and re-appointment of LeRoy Johnson to a three-year term (term expiring December 31, 2014).

Mayor Corcoran reappointed Marion True to a five-year term on the Park and Recreation Committee (term expiring January 31, 2017).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Shackelford and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Marion True to a five-year term on the Park and Recreation Committee (term expiring January 31, 2017).

Mayor Corcoran appointed Larry Peterson to the unexpired term of Joe Karius on Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) (term expiring June 30, 2013).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Shackelford and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Larry Peterson to the unexpired term of Joe Karius (term expiring June 30, 2013) on the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA).

- K. Manager's Report.

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

*The 16" water main is currently operational and is working.

- *Community Development Director's position will be scheduling interviews for January 20th.
- *SISU Ski Fest Cross Country Ski Race will be held this Friday and Saturday.
- *The Downtown Development Authority (DIDA) has planned a work session for Thursday, January 12th at 8:00 a.m.
- *Ironwood Public Safety received SCBA breathing equipment, spare tanks and masks valued at approximately \$7,000 from Kentwood Michigan Fire Department.
- *City staff has scheduled clean up for Monday, January 16th of the blighted property located at 213 Bonnie Street and the second blighted property has made substantial progress.
- *Community wide snow shoe hike will be held on Wednesday, January 11th at Indianhead Mountain Resort.
- *Finance Director/Treasurer Paul Linn explained to the City Commission the monthly phone charges stating they were from several funds.
- *Department of Public Works has added sidewalks around the McLeod Avenue parking lot to their plow list.

L. Other Matters (Five Minute Limit).

Commissioner Semo questioned City staff regarding the retainage on the 16" Watermain project. Mike Foley from Coleman Engineering responded to Commissioner Semo's question stating there was a minimum of \$20,000 being withheld.

M. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda (Five Minute Limit).

Bernie Finco, of 636 VanBuskirk addressed the City Commission requesting they take a look at a blighted property across from the bus garage on Ayer Street and a property located on Clemens Street.

N. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Tauer and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk