

### **Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission**

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on January 23, 2017 at 5:30 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood.

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

B. Recording of the Roll.

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

ABSENT: None.

C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.\*

\*1) Approval of Minutes – Regular City Commission Meeting of January 9<sup>th</sup>.

\*2) Review and Place on File:

- a. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- b. Economic Development Corporation Meeting Minutes of December 7<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Ironwood Housing Commission Meeting Minutes of January 10<sup>th</sup>.

***Motion*** was made by Tauer, seconded by Semo to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

D. Approval of the Agenda

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

E. Review and Place on File:

1. Statement of Revenue & Expenditures.
2. Monthly Cash Report.

***Motion*** was made by Semo, seconded by Tauer and carried to receive and place on file the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures for the month ending December 31, 2016 and the Monthly Cash Report dated December 2016.

F. Approval of Monthly Check Register Report.

***Motion*** was made by Corcoran, seconded by Mildren to approve the Monthly Check Register Report for the December 2016. 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.

## NEW BUSINESS

I. Discuss and Consider approving Resolution #017-002 to comply with the Provisions of PA-152 requesting exemption from the medical benefit plan year.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Corcoran to approve Resolution #017-002 to comply with the Provisions of PA-152 requesting exemption from the medical benefit plan year. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

J. Manager's Report.

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

- \*City Staff will be attending a Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) training session put on by the MEDC this week, at Gogebic Community College. The RRC certification process will allow the City of Ironwood to participate in the other MEDC programs and grant opportunities.*
- \*City Staff continues to work on the "Hardest Hit" blight grant where approximately 20 blighted homes will be demolished. To date staff has been working with 18 property owners.*
- \*Union contract negotiations with the AFSCME group is scheduled to start this Thursday, January 26, 2017.*
- \*The Aurora Land Survey plat map has been completed and submitted to the State of Michigan for final approval.*
- \*The City Community Development Office will be submitting a Rails to Trails grant application for additional signage for the Iron Belle Trail through the City of Ironwood.*
- \*Tours of the businesses in the Industrial Park are currently being set up before future City Commission meetings.*

K. Other Matters.

Commissioner Semo noted that there are approximately 450 jobs in our industrial park thanks to the Ironwood Industrial Development Corporation (IIDC) and the Economic Development Corporation (EDC).

L. Consider Closed Session to discuss contract negotiations with AFSCME, Local 1538.

***Motion*** was made by Corcoran, seconded by Semo to enter closed session at 5:47 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations with AFSCME, Local 1538. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

M. Return to Open Session.

***Motion*** was made by Tauer, seconded by Semo and carried to return to open session at 6:45 p.m.

N. Adjournment.

***Motion*** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 P.M.

Annette Da-Lio Bruchell, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk