

Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on August 28, 2017 at 5:30 P.M. along with a Public Hearing at 5:25 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood.

1. Mayor Burchell called the public hearing to order at 5:25 P.M.
2. Recording of the Roll.
PRESENT: Commissioner Corcoran, Semo, Tauer, and Mayor Burchell.
ABSENT: Commissioner Mildren (excused).
3. Mayor Burchell opened the public hearing at 5:26 P.M.
4. Public Hearing: To hear comment on a blight violation at 122 Luxmore Street, (Parcel #27-52-23-252-030).

Jason Alonen, Blight Enforcement Officer addressed the City Commission regarding the blight violation at 122 Luxmore Street (Parcel #27-52-23-252-030). Mr. Alonen gave a power point presentation with pictures of the property.

Mrs. Jeanne Saari, of 123 Luxmore informed the City Commission the property has no water, no sewer, and requested the Department of Public Works clean it up as soon as possible. She further noted she has lived across the street from this blighted property far too long.

5. Mayor Burchell closed the public hearing at 5:29 P.M.
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- A. Mayor Burchell called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.
- B. Recording of the Roll.
PRESENT: Commissioner Corcoran, Semo, Tauer, and Mayor Burchell.
ABSENT: Commissioner Mildren (excused).

- C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.*

*1) Approval of Minutes – Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of August 14th.

*2) Review and Place on File:

- a. Ironwood Housing Meeting Minutes of July 11th.
- b. Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Meeting Minutes of July 27th.

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

D. Approval of the Agenda

***Motion** was made by Tauer, seconded by Corcoran and carried to approve the amended agenda to include J1. Discuss and consider approving a contract with Northwood's Paving to mill and pave three street patches on Lowell Street south of US2, westerly lane.*

E. Approval of the Monthly Check Register Report.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Corcoran to approve the Monthly Check Register Report for the July 2017. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

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

There were none.

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

There were none.

H. AUDIENCE: Jim Whittinghill, Sales Manager, Eagle Waste & Recycling, Inc.
(RE: Update)

Jim Whittinghill, Sales Manager, Eagle Waste & Recycling, Inc. gave the Ironwood City Commission an update of Eagle Waste & Recycling, Inc. and introduced his new salesman, Scott Jaeger.

OLD BUSINESS

I. Discuss and Consider adopting Resolution #017-027 Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance (blight) located at 122 Luxmore Street (Parcel #52-23-252-030).

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Corcoran to adopt Resolution #017-027 Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance (blight) located at 122 Luxmore Street (Parcel #52-23-252-030) by the City of Ironwood Department of Public Works (DPW) two (2) weeks from today. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

NEW BUSINESS

J. Discuss and Consider Resolution #017-028 Governing the 2017 Comprehensive Deer Management Program.

***Motion** was made by Corcoran, seconded by Tauer to adopt Resolution #017-028 Governing the 2017 Comprehensive Deer Management Program. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- J1. Discuss and consider approving a contract with Northwood's Paving to mill and pave three street patches on Lowell Street south of US2, westerly lane.

Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Semo to approve the contract with Northwood's Paving to mill and pave three street patches on Lowell Street south of US2, westerly lane in the amount of \$11,122.80. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- K. Consider approval of Rural Development Pay Package in the amount of \$32,798.51 for the City of Ironwood – Phase 4 Utility Project Water Portion and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Tauer to approve the Rural Development Pay Package in the amount of \$32,798.51 for the City of Ironwood-Phase 4 Utility Project Water Portion and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- L. Consider approval of Rural Development Pay Package in the amount of \$211,995.94 for the City of Ironwood – Phase 4 Utility Project Sewer Portion and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Semo to approve the Rural Development Pay Package in the amount of \$211,995.94 for the City of Ironwood – Phase 4 Utility Project Sewer Portion and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- M. Discuss and Consider approving Payment #10 to Angelo Luppino, Inc. for the 2016/2017 Local Street Paving Project in the amount of \$36,797.14.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Tauer to approve Payment #10 to Angelo Luppino, Inc. for the 2016/2017 Local Street Paving Project in the amount of \$36,797.14. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- N. Discuss and Consider authorize advertisement to bid for the purchase of a wood chipper for the Department of Public Works.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Tauer and carried to authorize advertisement to bid for the purchase of a wood chipper for the Department of Public Works.

- O. Discuss and Consider authorizing advertisement to bid for 1,500 tons of street sand and 1,000 tons of ditch sand.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Corcoran and carried to authorize advertisement to bid for 1,500 tons of street sand and 1,000 tons of ditch sand. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- P. Discuss and Consider authorizing the sale of Department of Public Works (DPW) Surplus Vehicles as listed: 1988 Snow blower attachment for \$7,769.52, 1995 Ford Salt Truck for \$1,913.62, and 2001 Ford F150 for \$526.85.

***Motion** was made by Corcoran, seconded by Tauer to authorize the sale of the Department of Public Works Surplus Vehicles as listed: 1988 Snow blower attachment for \$7,769.52, 1995 Ford Salt Truck for \$1,913.62, and 2001 Ford F150 for \$526.85. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- Q. Discuss and Consider approving Easement for Underground Utilities between the City of Ironwood (Carnegie Library) and RJO Real Estate, LLC, A Michigan limited liability company and authorize Mayor and City Clerk to sign same.

***Motion** was made by Tauer, seconded by Semo to approve the Easement for Underground Utilities between the City of Ironwood (Carnegie Library) and RJO Real Estate, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company as amended and authorize Mayor and City Clerk to sign same. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

R. Manager's Report.

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

- *The City wide cleanup day has been scheduled for Saturday, October 7th.*
- *The DPW crew is completing the installation of approximately 330 lineal feet of 6-inch water main on Francis Street just west of Broadway.*
- *The DPW crew will be removing several dead trees in Longyear Park.*
- *Spot milling will take place along McLeod Avenue between Lowell Street and Silver Street.*
- *The next "First Friday" event in the downtown will be held on Friday, September 1, 2017.*
- *The Little League group continues construction on the new concession stand at the Little League Field.*
- *The MDOT's contractor, Northwood's Paving, will be milling and overlaying Business Route 2 after the Labor Day Holiday. There will be night paving along the BR to minimize disruptions to the downtown traffic.*
- *There will be a City Commission workshop prior to the next City Commission meeting (September 11th, 2017 at 4:45 p.m.) to review Coleman Engineering's results of the two yearlong SAW (Sanitary and Storm) study which is currently being finalized.*
- *Snow Country Contracting has been awarded contracts for the demolition of 5 blighted residential structures.*
- *Nasi Construction is wrapping with a vinyl coated metal the exterior of the large stain glass window at the Ironwood Memorial Building.*
- *The auditors will be starting their preliminary work in preparation to start the City's audit.*
- *Applications are being received until Thursday, August 31, 2017 for the Public Safety Director position and Friday, September 15, 2017 for the Deputy City Clerk's position.*

S. Other Matters.

Commissioner Semo questioned City Staff regarding whether it was legal to live in a home without City water or sewer.

T. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Semo and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Annette Da-Lio Bruchell, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk