

Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on May 8, 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 Pro Tem Corcoran called the regular meeting to order.

B. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioner Mildren, Semo, and Mayor Pro Tem Corcoran.

ABSENT: Commissioner Tauer (excused) and Mayor Burchell (excused).

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to excuse Commissioner Tauer from the May 8, 2017 City Commission Meeting.*

C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.*

*1) Approval of Minutes – Regular City Commission Meeting of April 24th.

*2) Review and Place on File:

- a. Pat O'Donnell Civic Center Meeting Minutes of March 6th & May 1st.
- b. Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Meeting Minutes of March 22nd.
- c. Park & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of Feb. 6th & April 3rd.

***Motion** was made by Semo, 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 Semo, seconded by Mildren 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.

G. PRESENTATION: Tom Bergman, Community Development Director.
(RE: Update on Comprehensive Plan).

Community Development Director Tom Bergman updated the City Commission on the progress of implementation of the Comprehensive Plan. Community Development Director Bergman noted the City is working towards fulfilling the goals of the comprehensive plan by focusing on assets that will promote growth, development, and re-development. Focus will be on marketing the strengths of the City of Ironwood to the outside business world. Further discussion of this matter took place.

NEW BUSINESS

H. Discuss and Consider approving advertisement for bids for a Sanitary Sewer Line Extension for Mill Street/Frenchtown Road.

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo and carried to approve the advertisement for bids for a Sanitary Sewer Line Extension for Mill Street/Frenchtown Road.

I. Discuss and Consider approving bid for a Zero Turn Lawn Mower in the amount of \$7,250.00 from Northland Lawn and Sport.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the bid for a Zero Turn Lawn Mower in the amount of \$7,250.00 from Northland Lawn and Sport. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

J. Discuss and Consider approving bid for the City-Wide Water Leak Detection Survey to Aqua-Line, Inc. in the amount of \$14,374.00.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the bid for the City-Wide Water Leak Detection Survey to Aqua-Line, Inc. in the amount of \$14,374.00. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

K. Discuss and Consider approving bids for the Demolition and Removal of structures at 102 Taylor St. in the amount of \$12,112.25, 918 E. Ayer St. in the amount of \$8,633.20 and 144 Harris St. in the amount of \$15,820.50 to Angelo Luppino, Inc. and 109 W. Pine St. in the amount \$16,121.00, 212 E. Oak St. in amount \$21,731.00 and 916 E. Ayer St. in the amount of \$10,767.00 to Snow Country Contracting, Inc.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the bids for the demolition and removal of structures at 102 Taylor St. in the amount of \$12,112.25, 918 E. Ayer St. in the amount of \$8,633.20 and 144 Harris St. in the amount of \$15,820.50 to Angelo Luppino, Inc. and 109 W. Pine St. in the amount \$16,121.00, 212 E. Oak St. in amount \$21,731.00 and 916 E. Ayer St. in the amount of \$10,767.00 to Snow Country Contracting, Inc. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- L. Discuss and Consider approving switching Commissioner Rick Semo to the Gogebic-Iron Wastewater Authority and Board and Commissioner Brandon Tauer to the Planning Commission.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo and carried to approve switching Commissioner Rick Semo to a regular board position and Commissioner Tauer to the alternate board member position on the Gogebic-Iron Wastewater Authority and appoint Commissioner Brandon Tauer to Rick Semo's position on the Planning Commission.*

- M. Discuss and Consider extending the Water Meter Reading Contract to Little Bear Construction for an additional 2 years, ending June 30, 2019.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to extend the Water Meter Reading Contract to Little Bear Construction for an additional 2 years, ending June 30, 2019. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- N. Discuss and Consider approving advertisement to bid for the sale of a 2010 Crown Victoria with a minimum bid of \$250.00.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to authorize advertisement to bid for the sale of a 2010 Crown Victoria with a minimum bid of \$250.00.*

- O. Mayor's Appointment.

Mayor Pro Tem Corcoran appointed Cameron Pitts with Mayor Burchell's approval to the unexpired term of Char Brickner on the Downtown Ironwood Development Corporation (DIDA) (term expiring June 30, 2018).

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Cameron Pitts to the DIDA (term expiring June 30, 2018).*

- P. Manager's Report.

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

**Thanked City Staff volunteers, resident volunteers, and Junior ROTC for all the help with the annual City "Drop Off" day.*

**Phase IV water and sewer project is currently out for bids.*

**City DPW Water Department will be scheduling water main flushing for early June, 2017.*

**Department of Public Works (DPW) is working with the Gogebic County Highway Dept. to prepare VanBuskirk Road for sealcoating.*

**A "Mother's Day Community Walk" will be held on the regional trail (Iron Belle Trail) this coming Sunday, May 14th from 2 pm-4 pm starting at the Bessemer Fire Hall.*

**The Ironwood Carnegie Library will be having their spring book sale this coming Friday and Saturday, May 12th and 13th.*

**Ironwood Public Safety has hired Mr. Adam Graser to fill an open position at Public Safety.*

Q. Other Matters.

Commissioner Mildren mentioned how nice it was to see 20-25 people from both Bessemer and Ironwood cooperating during the clean-up of the Iron-Belle Trail. Commissioner Mildren recognized Tad Rowe, a Bessemer Freshman who was in the audience for a civics class requirement. Mr. Mildren commented how important our youth are and how they care about their community. Additional comments were received.

Mayor Pro Tem Corcoran thanked the ROTC kids, city staff, and residents who helped during the recent drop off day down on Ayer Street this past weekend.

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

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to enter closed session at 6:13 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations with AFSCME, Local 1538. 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 6:30 P.M.*

T. Adjournment.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 P.M.*

Kim Corcoran, Mayor Pro Tem

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk