

## Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on Monday, February 10, 2020 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 Cayer, Corcoran, Mildren, Semo, and Mayor Burchell.  
ABSENT: None

3. Mayor Burchell opened the public hearing at 5:26 P.M.
4. Public Hearing: To hear comment on Michigan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding for the construction of a new clear well at the Municipal Water Pumping Station.

City Manager, Scott Erickson, explained the need for a new clear well and presented an overview of a grant opportunity through the Michigan Strategic Fund. The grant application is for \$1,494,310 with a City match of \$187,690, which is available in the Water Fund. Mr. Erickson further discussed the scope and timing of the proposed project.

Public Comment: None

5. Mayor Burchell closed the public hearing at 5:35 P.M.

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A. Mayor Burchell called the regular Meeting to order at 5:35 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 Minutes of January 27<sup>th</sup>.  
**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 Corcoran, seconded by Cayer 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.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

G. Discuss and consider authorizing bids for resurfacing existing paved/concrete alleys In the Downtown area.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo and carried to authorize the preparation of a change order to the 2019 Local Street Paving Project with Angelo Luppino, Inc. for resurfacing existing paved/concrete alleys in the Downtown area.*

H. Discuss and consider approving authorizing Resolution #020-002, identify City Manager Erickson as the Environmental Review Certifying Officer, the person authorized to Certify the Michigan CDBG application, the person authorized to sign the Grant Agreement and payment requests, and the person authorized to execute any additional documents required to carry out and complete the grant for construction of a new clear well at the municipal water pumping station.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve authorizing Resolution #020-002, identify City Manager Erickson as the Environmental Review Certifying Officer, the person authorized to Certify the Michigan CDBG application, the person authorized to sign the Grant Agreement and payment requests, and the person authorized to execute any additional documents required to carry out and complete the grant for construction of a new clear well at the municipal water pumping station. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

I. Discuss and consider authorizing bids for 2020 street pavement striping.

***Motion** was made by Corcoan, seconded by Cayer and carried to authorize bids for the 2020 street pavement striping.*

J. Discuss and consider approving quotation from Miller-Bradford & Risberg, Inc. for the upgrade repair to the brake system on Loader #75 821 E Case in the amount of \$20,079.66.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the quotation from Miller-Bradford & Risberg, Inc. for the upgrade repair to the brake system on Loader #75 821 E Case in the amount of \$20,079.66. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

K. Discuss and consider ornamental street lighting plans for Business Route 2 associated with the Downtown Square Project.

**Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo to authorize the City to move forward with the ornamental street lighting plans for Business Route 2 associated the with Downtown Square Project, as originally presented, with the placement of the lights to continue east on Business Route 2 from Kaufman Sheet Metal to the Montreal River.

L. Manager's Report.

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

- \*New City employee, Wendy Hagstrom, began employment today as the Utility Billing and Data Processing Clerk.

- \*A public hearing is scheduled at the next Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, 2/13/2020, at 5:00 P.M. to hear comment on the draft of the marihuana ordinance.

- \*Civic Center Update – The City's liability/property insurance company, MMRMA, has retained an architect to design the new Civic Center building. The Civic Center Board, along with City Staff, met earlier today to discuss design concepts. Construction of the new facility is anticipated to begin in the spring, with completion in the fall, prior to next ice season. Commissioner Mildren further commented on how fortunate the City is to have the current temporary facility this winter to continue with our ice skating programs/activities.

M. Other Matters.

Commissioner Semo explained that he will be unable to attend the 3/23/2020 regular Commission meeting and asked to be excused.

**Motion** was made by Corcoran, seconded by Cayer and carried to excuse Commissioner Semo from the 3/23/2020 regular Commission meeting.

Mayor Burchell explained that she will be unable to attend the 2/24/2020 regular Commission meeting and asked to be excused.

**Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Corcoran and carried to excuse Mayor Burchell from the 2/24/2020 regular Commission meeting.

Mayor Burchell encouraged all Commissioners to review the details of the drafted marihuana ordinance and to bring up any concerns.

Commissioner Mildren shared that The Midwest Traveler magazine had a nice article on the City of Ironwood, promoting that it is a great place to visit and a great outdoor destination. The ABR trails were noted as being one of the top cross-country ski trails in the nation.

N. Adjournment.

***Motion*** was made by Cayer, seconded by Semo and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 P.M.

*Annette Da Lio-Burchell, Mayor*

*Paul Linn, Finance Director-Treasurer*