

Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission Organizational Meeting

An Organizational Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on November 8, 2021 at 5:30 P.M. in the Auditorium, First Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood, Michigan.

A. City Clerk Karen Gullan called the organizational meeting to order at 5:30.

B. Report by City Clerk on Commissioners elected and qualified together with board of Canvasser's Report – November 2, 2021.

City Clerk Karen M. Gullan presented a copy of the Board of Canvasser's Report on the following persons elected to the City Commission at the November 8, 2021 election: The top five candidates were Kim Corcoran, David S. Andresen, Jim Mildren, and Rick Semo. City Clerk Gullan noted Kim S. Corcoran received the most votes with 540 and David S. Andresen was second with 517.

C. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioner Andresen, Korpela, Mildren, Semo, and Mayor Corcoran.
ABSENT: None.

D. Oath of Office.

City Clerk Karen Gullan administered the Oaths of Office to Mayor Corcoran, Mayor Pro Tem Andresen, and City Commissioners Korpela, Mildren, and Semo.

E. Approval of the Consent Agenda.*

- *1) Approval of Minutes – Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2021.
- *2) Park & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2021.
- *3) Pat O'Donnell Civic Center Meeting Minutes of November 1, 2021.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to receive and place on file the Board of Canvassers' Report from the November 2, 2021 Election. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

F. Approval of the Agenda

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Korpela to amend the Agenda to include item J1. Consider appointment of one Commissioner to the Ironwood Planning Commission.*

G. Adoption of Rules of Commission

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Andresen to adopt the amended Rules of the City Commission adding her to Section 2, paragraph 2. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

H. Discuss and Consider appointment of new City Clerk Wendy Hagstrom.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo to appoint Wendy Hagstrom as the new City Clerk effective December 1, 2021. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

I. Consider designation of official Newspaper and official Radio Stations to be the Ironwood Daily Globe, WJMS-WIMI and WUPM-WHRY.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Andresen and carried to designate the official Newspaper as the Daily Globe and official Radio Stations as WJMS-WIMI and WUPM-WHRY.*

J. Consider appointment of one Commissioner and one alternate Commissioner to the Gogebic-Iron Wastewater Authority and Board.

Mayor Corcoran reappointed Commissioner Semo to the Gogebic-Iron Wastewater Authority and Board along with Commissioner Mildren as the alternate.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpela and carried to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Commissioner Semo to the Gogebic-Iron Wastewater Authority and Board along with Commissioner Mildren as an alternate.*

J1. Consider appointment of one Commissioner to the Ironwood Planning Commission.

Mayor Corcoran appointed Commissioner Andresen to the Planning Commission.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Andresen and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Commissioner Andresen to the Planning Commission.*

K. Consider appointment of one Commissioner to the Pat O'Donnell Civic Center.

Mayor Corcoran reappointed Commissioner Mildren to the Pat O'Donnell Civic Center Board.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Korpela and carried to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Commissioner Mildren to the Pat O'Donnell Civic Center Board.*

L. Consider appointment of one Commissioner to the Park & Recreation Committee.

Mayor Corcoran agreed to stay on the Park & Recreation Committee.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Korpela and carried to appoint Mayor Corcoran to the Park & Recreation Committee.*

M. Consider appointment of one Commissioner to the Historic Ironwood Theatre Board.

Mayor Corcoran reappointed Commissioner Semo to the Historic Ironwood Theatre Board.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpela and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Commissioner Semo to the Historic Ironwood Theatre Board.*

N. Consider appointment of one Commissioner to the Carnegie Library Board.

Mayor Corcoran agreed to stay on the Carnegie Library Board, now as Mayor.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Korpela and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Mayor Corcoran on the Carnegie Library Board pursuant to Charter.*

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

There were none.

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

There were none.

OLD BUSINESS

Q. Discuss and Consider authorizing bids for the "Drinking Water Asset Management Lead Service Line Inventory Verification Project" (project involves hiring a contractor to use a hydro-vac machine to expose water service lines and document the material type. Work is required by EGLE and a grant of \$214,913 for the Distribution System Materials inventory has been received).

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Andresen and carried to authorize bids for the "Drinking Water Asset Management Lead Service Line Inventory Verification Project".*

NEW BUSINESS

- R. Discuss and Consider approving application for the Rural Development Grant for Mountain Bike Trails at Mt. Zion and commit \$10,000 in local matching funds contingent upon raising additional funds from other partners.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Andresen approving application for the Rural Development Grant for Mountain Bike Trails at Mt. Zion and commit \$10,000 in local matching funds contingent upon raising additional funds from other partners. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

S. Manager's Report.

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

- *Welcomed the City Commissioners.
- *Thanked Michael Meyer for pulling together the volunteer event over the weekend.
- *Downtown City Square volunteers will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday to put up holiday lighting.
- *Urged everyone to checkout the Chamber of Commerce website for all the upcoming winter events. The Jack Frost Parade will be on Saturday, December 4th at 6:00 PM, Tree Lighting is on November 18th at the Depot Park, and on November 27th the Warren Miller Film Festival is at the Historic Ironwood Theatre at 7:00 PM.
- *The Snowmobile ISO Vintage Race will be on December 31st and January 1st, 2022 at the Gogebic County Fairgrounds, along with the USSA Snowmobile Olympus on January 7th – 9th.
- *SISU Ski Fest will be on January 8th.
- *Davey's Motel is being demolished for the Kwik Trip.
- *The City Commission condemned the stairwell on a structure on McLeod, letters were sent to the owner, and the City of Ironwood will be finishing the demolition on Wednesday.
- *The City audit has started and will be completed by the end of the year.

T. Other Matters.

The City Commission congratulated the new City Commissioners along with thanking Commissioner Cayer for his service.

Commissioner Semo questioned City Staff regarding the wayfinding signs.

Commissioner Mildren appreciated the City and Administration for making a fun town for children.

Mayor Corcoran also thanked Commissioner Cayer for his service and was looking forward to the enthusiasm and new ideas the new City Commissioners will bring to the City of Ironwood.

U. Adjournment.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 P.M.*

Kim S. Corcoran, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk