

**IRON RIVER CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2001
1:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Legion Room of the Iron River City Hall, with Mayor Charlotte Soderbloom presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present included Councilmen Ray Coates, Tom Beber, Klint Safford, Alfred Perlongo, Mayor Charlotte Soderbloom, City Attorney Mark Tousignant, City Manager Rosalie King and City Clerk Peggy Shamion.

Mike Wodzinski, Dick Anderson and Virgil Thompson also attended the meeting.

Dick Anderson spoke on behalf of the Public Works Department. He informed the board that his crew needs one more plow and additional equipment, some of which will replace what was lost in the fire.

Anderson got prices from various companies for equipment that he would like to see the city purchase for the Public Works Dept. He then compiled copies of invoices for each piece of equipment, which he would like authorization to purchase. The first piece of equipment is a concrete cut off saw from Nortrax for \$6,572.00, which would replace the one lost in the fire. The second piece of equipment is to purchase a used John Deere bulldozer (which the city is presently renting from Nortrax) for \$39,000.00 and this would replace the 410 which was lost in the fire. The third piece of equipment is for a front-end loader from Nortrax at a price of \$125,300.00, to replace the Oshkosh with blower that was lost in the fire. (Anderson also wants to purchase the quick detachment for the front of the end loader) The fourth piece of equipment is a 1991 reconditioned holder C6000 Tractor with pressurized cab plus attachments for \$49,074.00 (can be used on sidewalks) and the final piece of equipment to purchase is a new 2001 RPM TECH LM 217 self contained snow blower from MacQueen Equipment Inc. for \$55,370.00.

After some discussion, Safford moved to purchase all of the above equipment for a total of \$275,316.00, and Coates supported.

Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried unanimously.

Next, Dick Anderson told the board that he needs a snow plow truck, as he doesn't have enough. The oldest truck is a 88 and he doesn't have a spare truck in the event of a break down. He would like to bid the same specs as the last one the city purchased.

Perlongo then moved that a spec sheet be drawn up by the Public Works Department to purchase a new plow truck. Safford supported the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

Mike Wodzinski was present and requested permission to purchase two utility trucks that are needed.

Coates then moved with Beber supporting to solicit bids on two utility trucks.
Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Anderson will check to see if we can trade in the old Iron River sweeper on any of the new equipment the city will be purchasing.

Manager King updated the board on the addition to the city garage. Superior Steel Systems Inc. will do the construction work on the addition to the Public Works Garage. The building can be included through the contract of the water project, according to Rural Development.

Safford moved that the city proceed with the new addition on the Public Works Garage and use Rural Development funding (water proj). Beber supported the motion.
Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Perlongo moved to approve a liquor license request from West Iron County Fire Board for July 27, 2001, and Coates supported.
Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

Coates stated that the Iron River Township Board agrees they owe us money and when Mark Polley called the township auditor, he has been unaware of the actual figures.

Attorney Tousignant has tried to acquire the 2000 audit from the township, but has been unsuccessful. However, he has been able to acquire a copy of that audit from Dick Baulderman at the State Treasury Dept. and the figure he feels the township owes the city, is \$28,000.

Dick Baulderman, Scott Kinney, Diane Rostagno, Manager King and Mayor Soderbloom will be meeting on July 11, 01 to try to resolve the issue. Iron River Township has indicated that they will have representation there.

Safford moved to leave things as they are with the Iron River Township law suite, until the meeting takes place with Mr. Baulderman and the auditors. Soderbloom supported the motion.
Roll Call: Ayes: 3 Nays: 2 – Perlongo & Coates Motion carried.

Safford moved to adjourn the meeting and Coates supported. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Peggy Shamion, CMC
City Clerk