

**IRON RIVER CITY COUNCIL  
WORKSHOP/PUBLIC HEARING  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2004  
1:00 P.M.**

The workshop 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 Virgil Thompson, Roger Zanon, Ray Coates, Tom Beber, Mayor Soderbloom, City Manager John Archocosky, City Attorney Mark Tousignant, and Deputy Clerk Kathy Anderson.

Amendments to the agenda included adding **#9. New Business** (a) Request from Museum, (b) Request from Ruth Oberg, (c) Quote for striping parking lots and other city property, (d) Purchase of manholes and covers, (e) Executive Session to discuss possible negotiation of purchase of land. **#7. Financials** (e) STS Flow Monitoring Invoice #'s 255876, 256279, & 257278 for Iron River North Wastewater permit. **#8. Old Business** (c) Update on WIC School agreement – Nelson Field. **#10.** (e) Water Contingency Project.

Beber moved with support from Thompson to accept the amended agenda. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**APPROVE  
AMENDED  
AGENDA**

Thompson moved with support from Coates to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on June 09, 2004. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**APPROVE  
MINUTES**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Soderbloom opened the Public Hearing at 1:04 p.m. for the purpose of amending Burning Ordinance #17, Purchasing Ordinance #19, Blight Ordinance #12, and Noxious Weed Ordinance #13.

**PUBLIC  
HEARING**

Eugene Stoychoff of 504 Truman Avenue and his tenant attended the meeting to discuss an outside wood heater located at 506 Truman Avenue, (south of his property), owned by Kevin Rosengren. He stated the smoke and smell from this heater has made it unbearable to live in his home. A request from Rosengren to install the heater was approved by the previous zoning administrator on November 07, 2003. No regulations were provided in the Burning Ordinance at that time. Archocosky will ask Chief Goriesky to investigate to resolve the issue.

**WOOD  
HEATER 506  
TRUMAN AVE**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Vandalism at the RV Park has been an on going problem. Archocosky stated a dusk to dawn light would be installed at the upper west parking lot. He will also look into the possible purchase of a security camera.

**RV PARK  
VANDALISM**

The Consent Agenda which included Thank you from Class of 2004, Stambaugh Housing Commission Minutes of May 11, 2004, Iron River Housing Commission Minutes May 11, 2004, Notification letter regarding sale of beer on premises at Pamida, and RV Park vandalism report was approved and placed on file on a motion from Coates and support from Beber. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**CONSENT  
AGENDA**

**FINANCIAL**

Coates moved to approve a contribution request from the West Side Veterans Council to donate the same amount as donated last year, (\$250.00) for parades, fireworks, and other activities. Beber supported. Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**WEST SIDE  
VETERANS  
DONATION**

One bid proposal (renewal) from Michigan Municipal League was received for Liability and Property Insurance. Hannula Agency declined to bid on the package. Beber moved with support from Zanon to accept the MML Liability and Property Insurance bid. (See attached). Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion passed.

**ACCEPT MML  
PROPOSAL  
LIABILITY &  
PROPERTY  
INS**

No action was taken on a request from the Special Olympics, as this is not a budgeted item.

No action was taken for Firefighters Tournament advertisement request from WIKB. The city has already taken a full-page advertisement in the Firefighters Tournament Program.

Jeff Bal, Mike Gatsow and Adam Steinbrecher from STS Consultants were in attendance to report on the Sanitary Sewer System Flow Monitoring Study.

**SANITARY  
SEWER**

Steinbrecher presented data summarizing the effects of infiltration and inflow on the City's sewer system flows. The data collected indicates problem areas that need to be replaced and or rehabilitated. The results of the study indicate the City is highly susceptible to elevated flows caused by infiltration and inflow and major system repairs will be necessary to meet the reduced flows mandated by the MDEQ.

After a report from STS Consultants on the Sanitary Sewer Flow Monitoring Study, Beber moved to approve STS invoice #255876 in the amount of \$10,634.14, invoice #256279 in the amount of 10,394.42, and invoice #257278 in the amount of \$851.75. Soderbloom supported.

**STS INVOICES**

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

**OLD BUSINESS**

Zanon motioned to grant a second request from the Rodeo Committee to donate the same amount donated last year to the Committee. Thompson supported.

**RODEO  
COMMITTEE  
DONATION**

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

No Recreation Project bids were received. Archocosky will look into contacting contractors to go forward with this project.

**NO  
RECREATION  
BIDS**

Beber excused himself at 3:45 p.m., as he had a prior commitment.

An update on the agreement clarifying the contract with the WIC Public Schools and Nelson Field was reviewed. Archocosky will advise Superintendent Peruzzi of some minor adjustments.

**NELSON  
FIELD  
AGREEMENT**

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Iron County Historical and Museum Society requested the city donate a drawing currently stored in the attic of the Iron River City Hall. The drawing is an illustration of the projected plan for the village of Stambaugh. They feel this is an important artifact to display and preserve. This will be loaned to them for an indefinite period of time.

**LOAN  
DRAWING TO  
MUSEUM**

Ruth Oberg is attempting to interest a business in the city's industrial park and has requested a letter of support. When details are forthcoming, Archocosky will draft a letter for Mayor Soderbloom to sign.

**RUTH OBERG  
LETTER OF  
SUPPORT**

Paul Jurmu has submitted a quote for striping parking lots and other areas of the City. The DDA has agreed to pay for striping of four city parking lots, totaling \$1,120.00. Coates moved with support from Soderbloom to hire Paul Gurmum to stripe other parts of the city, totaling \$2,816.00. (See attached).

**STRIPING  
PARKING  
LOTS &  
OTHER PROP**

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Beber absent.

Coates moved to approve the purchase of manhole frames and covers in the amount of \$4,028.00. This has already been approved and will be tracked for the DEQ.

**PURCHASE  
MANHOLES &  
COVERS**

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Beber absent. Motion passed.

Mayor Soderbloom closed the Public Hearing at 3:07p.m.

**WORKSHOP**

Mayor Soderbloom was elected secretary to the MML Conference Committee at the regional conference held on June 12, 2004.

Soderbloom moved to approve 2004 Tax Rate Request to be reported to the Michigan Department of Treasury. Coates supported. (See Attached).

**TAX RATE  
REQUEST**

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Beber absent. Motion passed.

Coates moved to set a \$500 cash value prize to the winner of the Iron River City Logo Contest, to be shared with the DDA. Thompson seconded.

**IR CITY LOGO  
CONTEST**

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Beber absent. Motion carried.

An update on the Water Contingency Project was given by Jeff Bal of STS Consultants. All specifications have been submitted to Rural Development, permits have been approved. A resolution and Affidavit of publication is needed.

**UPDATE H2O  
CONTINGENC  
Y PROJECT**

Coates moved with support from Thompson to approve a resolution to advertise the Water Contingency Project.

**RESOLUTION  
TO  
ADVERTISE  
H2O CONTING**

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Beber absent. Motion passed.

At 3:24 p.m., Soderbloom moved with Thompson supporting to adjourn out of regular session and go into executive session to discuss possible negotiation of purchase of parcel of land.

**ADJOURN TO  
EXECUTIVE  
SESSION  
LAND  
PURCHASE**

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Beber absent. Motion carried.

Regular session reconvened at 3:48.

Thompson moved with support from Coates to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.

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Kathy L. Anderson  
Deputy Clerk