

**IRON RIVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2005
10:00 A.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Legion Room of the Iron River, with Mayor Pro-tem Tom Beber presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present included Councilmen Ray Coates, Roger Zanon, Virgil Thompson, Mayor Pro-tem Tom Beber, City Manager John Archocosky, City Attorney Mark Tousignant and City Clerk Peggy Shamion.

George Treado also attended the meeting.

Coates moved with Thompson supporting to approve a one day liquor license for the WIC Booster Club.

Roll Call: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Abstain: 1 – Beber Absent: 1 – Soderbloom. Motion carried.

Coates moved with Zanon supporting to approve a one day liquor license for Wildlife Unlimited Inc. of Iron County.

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 – Soderbloom Motion passed.

Archocosky informed the board that he is overloaded and needs some assistance. He has been notified that the city tentatively received notification that they were awarded a \$1.2 million project for the sewer on Lalley Road. The city was awarded a grant of \$768,000 from the Michigan Economic Development Committee (MEDC) through the Community Development Block Grant. Four projects were submitted and the largest one was approved.

The majority of the I&I is coming from the Ice Lake area, Archocosky said. He felt that when this project is completed it should reduce more of the I&I problems the city has and shows the DEQ that the city is making repairs.

Road resurfacing will be paid for with money from the Task Force and that money plus \$250,000 from the DEQ fund will go towards the local match.

Archocosky said that MEDC wants the construction of the project completed this summer. He also stated that the project will go up Lalley Road to the hospital and go both north and south, as far as funds will allow.

Mark Agnessi has provided the city with a Consulting Service Agreement for this project along with the Central School project and for Community Planning and Development. (see attached)

He also wanted to make the board aware that Agnessi has offered his services to the DDA to help with the Central School project.

Archocosky also noted that he will be using STS Consultants on the application and environmental review for the projects.

Tousignant suggested that a separate contract be drafted between Agnessi and the DDA for the Central School project.

In Agnessi's draft of his Consulting Agreement, on page 2 Article II b-Project II and Project III, the hours should be reversed. Tousignant has made changes to the agreement and they should be shown to Agnessi before he signs it.

Coates moved with Thompson supporting to approve Mark Agnessi's Consulting Agreement as amended for Project-2 Lalley Road Improvements and Project 3-Community Planning and Development and follow Attorney Tousignant's recommendation to have a separate agreement between Agnessi and the DDA for Project 1 – Central School

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 - Soderbloom Motion passed.

Beber moved with Zanon supporting to authorize any board member/City Manager to attend the MML Conference in March.

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 – Soderbloom Motion carried.

The board had no objection to Archocosky sending a letter to Walter Henning thanking him for collecting signatures for petitions to keep the State Police Post 92 open.

Beber moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 am.

Peggy Shamion, CMC
City Clerk