

**IRON RIVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2006
2:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro-tem Ray Coates at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Room of the Iron River City Hall.

Members present included Councilmen Ed Marcell, Tom Beber, Roger Zanon, Mayor Pro-tem Ray Coates, City Manager John Archocosky, City Attorney Mark Tousignant and Deputy Clerk Kathy Anderson.
Absent: Mayor Charlotte Soderbloom.

Beber moved with Zanon supporting to approve the agenda. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**APPROVE
AGENDA**

PUBLIC HEARING

Coates opened the Public Hearing at this time to hear public comment on the proposed Skateboard Ordinance and Compensation Commission Ordinance.

**PUBLIC
HEARING**

No public comment on the two proposed ordinances was offered.

Zanon moved with Beber supporting to approve the following meeting minutes: Public Hearing of May 17, 2006, Public Hearing/Regular Meeting of May 17, 2006, Special Meeting of June 6, 2006, and the Workshop Meeting of June 13, 2006. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**APPROVE
MINUTES**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Candidate for State Representative, Mike Lahti, introduced himself to the City Council. He is running for the term limit-ed seat currently occupied by Rich Brown.

Several residents who are members of the Friends of Ice Lake Association were present to voice concerns about a potential element of a proposed five-year Recreation Plan to construct a boat launch at the south end of Ice Lake. People are using this area for a boat landing. This is causing traffic problems, as there is not sufficient parking at the site. The cost to control the milfoil problem is a concern as well as supervision at such a site. They feel new playground equipment is needed as well as a lifeguard.

**FRIENDS OF
ICE LAKE
ASSOC**

Coates reminded everyone that Ice Lake is a public park and belongs to the taxpayers in the City as well as the people who reside there.

**APPROVE
CONSENT
AGENDA**

Beber moved with support from Marcell to approve and place on file the Consent Agenda.

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

**COMM-
UNITY
SCHOOLS
ASSESS-
MENT**

FINANCIALS

Beber moved to approve a request for an assessment for the Iron County Community School Summer Recreation Program. Zanon supported.

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

**ACCEPT
ATTORNEY
REPORT**

REPORTS

Beber moved to accept and place on file the City Attorney Report. Zanon supported.

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

**CLOSE
PUBLIC
HEARING**

The Public Hearing was closed at 2:30 p.m. No public comment was forthcoming.

NEW BUSINESS

**ADPOT
SKATE-
BOARD ORD**

Zanon moved with support from Marcell to adopt the Skateboard Ordinance.

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

**ADOPT
COMP
COMM ORD**

Zanon moved to adopt the Compensation Commission Ordinance. Beber supported.

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

**BLIGHT/
DOG
PROBLEM**

Jeanne Nacius and Carol Brunswick are concerned about blight and barking/vicious dogs in their neighborhood. A Code Enforcement Officer will be hired in the very near future, possibly by the end of the week, said Archocosky. He also suggested they file a formal complaint with the Police Department and the Animal Control Officer when the dog problem arises. These agencies enforce these types of situations.

**CHALET
SOLD**

Mr. Joseph Parker's offer to purchase the Mineral Hills Chalet for the amount \$42,000.00, the full amount as advertised, was accepted.

**OPEN
INSURANCE
BIDS**

Two bid proposals were received for City Liability and Fleet Insurance coverage. The proposals from the Michigan Municipal League and U.P. Insurance Specialists, Inc. will have to be reviewed before any decision is made.

It was moved by Beber and supported by Zanon to appoint Mr. John Archocosky to the WICSA Board for a two-year term.

**APPT
WICSA
BOARD
MEMBER**

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

Beber moved to appoint Mr. George Treado to the Board of Review, for a three-year term, on the condition there is no conflict with the County, as he currently sits on that Board. Zanon supported.

**APPOINT
BOARD OF
REVIEW
MEMBER**

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

Three applicants applied to fill two (2) expired three-year terms on the Zoning Board of Appeals: Mr. Richard Bekkala, Mr. Jerry White, and Mr. Jere Fritsche.

Marcell moved with support from Beber to appoint Bekkala to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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

Beber moved with support from Zanon to appoint White to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**APPT
ZONING
BOARD
MEMBERS**

Roll Call: Ayes: 2 – Beber, Zanon Nays: 2 – Marcell, Coates. Absent: Soderbloom. Motion failed.

Marcell moved with support from Beber to appoint Fritsche to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Roll Call: Ayes: 3 – Zanon, Coates, Marcell Nays: 1 – Beber Absent: Soderbloom. Motion carried.

Coates moved with support from Zanon to re-appoint all members to the Zoning/Planning Board for a one-year term. (Charlotte Soderbloom, Rick Commenator, Jere Fritsche, Ben Smith, John Archocosky)

**RE-APPOINT
ZONING/PLA
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BOARD
MEMBERS**

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

Marcell moved to transfer \$65,000.00 from the Major Street Fund to the Local Street Fund. Zanon supported.

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

**TRANS FR
MAJOR TO
LOCAL**

A Special Meeting for Budget Amendments will take place on Thursday, June 29, 2006. At this time a date will be established for a Public Hearing on the Recreation Plan.

Marcell moved with Zanon supporting to appoint Mr. Mel Christofferson to the Stambaugh Housing Commission for a five-year term.

**APPT
STAMBO
HOUSING
MEMBER**

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

A request from The American Legion for a special Liquor License for the All-Class Reunion was approved on a motion from Coates. Marcell supported.

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

APPROVE
SPEC LIQ
LICENSE
AMERICAN
LEGION

Marcell made a motion with support from Beber to advertise for sale parcel number 054-204-011-00. Legal description: Plat of Iron River Businessmen’s Association; (limited) Addition to Village of Iron River; Lot 11, Block 4.

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

ADVERTISE
FOR SALE
CITY PROP

The donation request from the Iron County Authority on Aging was tabled on a motion from Coates. Beber supported. This is not a budgeted item.

Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: Soderbloom. Motion tabled.

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AGING
DONATION
REQ
TABLED

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

The Ice Lake boat access and milfoil situation was discussed. Zanon asked if the City of Iron River owned any property at the South end of the lake. Evidently the former City of Stambaugh did but it was sold. When the Friends of Ice Lake approached the City to contribute to the Milfoil permit required by the DNR, the City contributed \$1500.00, which was not a budgeted item, Archocosky said. The Recreation Plan boat launch is suggestion only, said Beber.

Marcell moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:28 pm. Beber supported. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Kathy L. Anderson
Deputy Clerk