

**IRON RIVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 23, 2007**  
**10:30 A.M.**

Mayor Charlotte Soderbloom called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council members present included: Edward Marcell, Ray Coates, Thomas Beber, Roger Zanon, and Mayor Soderbloom. City Manager John Archocosky and Deputy Clerk Kathy Anderson were also present. No public was in attendance.

**GRIEVANCE**

A grievance filed by Department of Public Works employee Robert Dobson on April 17, 2007, was discussed. Archocosky stated that the posting for the Leadman's position included a specific pay scale for performing that job. Further, the posting stated that one of the leadman's responsibilities was to fill in for the Assistant-foreman when the situation required. Zanon pointed out that he asked Robert Dobson on three occasions during the May 16<sup>th</sup> meeting if he would do the work assigned to the Assistant-foreman and Dobson's response was that he didn't feel working in the office should be part of the Assistant-foreman's job. Archocosky pointed out the fact that Mr. Dobson has not been trained to perform the duties and when asked to do so, his response was consistent with his answer to Zanon. Zanon asked Archocosky why Dobson had received the Assistant-foreman's rate in the past, and Archocosky explained that the existing payroll clerk was not aware that there wasn't supposed to be a rate change and the error was likely carried over from the former City Treasurer.

Coates made a motion to uphold the City Manager's decision not to pay the Leadman position the Assistant-foreman's rate of pay in the Assistant-foreman's absences as the position was already receiving added compensation for doing so and further, all duties were not being assumed by the individual in the absence of the Assistant Foreman. Zanon supported.

Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Beber, Marcell, Zanon, Coates, Soderbloom. Nays: 0  
Motion carried.

**OLDENBURG (LAKESHORE) REQUEST**

A request from Oldenburg Group, Incorporated, of 1520 West Adams Street to create an Industrial Development District for their existing plant site was discussed. Archocosky explained that creating the district is not a commitment

for any tax relief but simply qualifies businesses in the district to apply according to P.A. 198 of 1974.

Coates moved with support from Marcell to begin the process of establishing an Industrial Development District encompassing the entire footprint at 1520 West Adams Street as requested. (Legal description attached.)

Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Beber, Zanon, Marcell, Coates, Soderbloom. Nays: 0

Motion carried.

### **COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Coates moved with support from Soderbloom to receive the Compensation Committee's report and approve the compensation established for Council members at the meeting held on May 22, 2007.

Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Beber, Marcell, Zanon, Coates, Soderbloom. Nays: 0

Motion carried.

### **POLICE TOWER REQUEST**

Enbridge Energy Company, Inc. submitted a request to rent space monthly at our state police tower site. This company rents space from other communities in a non-profit capacity for public safety awareness. The Iron County Road Commission presently rents space at the site for \$100.00 per month.

Coates moved to direct City Attorney Mark Tousignant to draft an agreement with Enbridge Energy Co. Inc., to rent space at the state police tower site, for \$100.00 per month, provided it causes no interference with radio communications already in place.

Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Beber, Marcell, Zanon, Coates, Soderbloom. Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Beber moved with support from Zanon to adjourn at 11:22 p.m. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

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Kathy L. Anderson, Deputy Clerk

Reviewed by:

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John A. Archocosky, City Manager