

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF ESCANABA, MICHIGAN  
Regular Council Meeting  
Thursday, July 19, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Leo J. Evans at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 410 Ludington Street.

Present: Mayor Leo J. Evans, Council Members, Walter A. "Pete" Baker, Patricia A. Baribeau, Ronald J. Beauchamp, and Brady L. Nelson.

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager James V. O'Toole, City Attorney Ralph B.K. Peterson, City Department Heads, media, and members of the public.

Pastor Margery Host of the First United Methodist Church gave the invocation and led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nelson moved, Baker seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve Special Meeting Minutes from June 28, 2012, and Regular Meeting Minutes from July 5, 2012, as submitted.

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Beauchamp moved, Nelson seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the City Council Agenda as submitted.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION** - None

**BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Approval - Resolution for Charitable Gaming License – Delta County Suicide Prevention Taskforce.**

The Delta County Suicide Prevention Taskforce requested Council declare their organization as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the sole purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license for their annual End the Silence Walk fundraising event. Administration recommended Council approval.

**NB-1** Nelson moved, Baribeau seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve a request from The Delta County Suicide Prevention Taskforce to declare their

organization as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the sole purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license for their annual End the Silence Walk fundraising event.

**Approval – Mutual Aide for Firefighting.**

Administration sought Council approval to enter into a formal mutual aid agreement for Delta County-wide comprehensive firefighting services.

**NB-2** Nelson moved, Beauchamp seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve to enter into a formal mutual aid agreement for Delta County-wide comprehensive firefighting services.

**Approval – South Water Tower Overflow Repair.**

Administration sought Council approval of a bid from Ray's Welding of Berrien Springs, MI, in the amount of \$13,900 to repair and replace the existing hatch and install 28' of 6" overflow pipe on the south water tower. Additionally, Administration sought Council approval to retain Dixon Engineering, Inc. of Hales Corner, WI, in the amount of \$1,915 to conduct an inspection of the hatch and overflow repair and the required one year warranty inspection of the painting project completed last year.

Water Superintendent Jeff Lampi briefly reviewed the South Water Tower overflow repair, and quotes obtained. After discussion of repairs and quotes received, the following motions were made:

**NB-3a** Nelson moved, Baribeau seconded, to approve a bid from Ray's Welding of Berrien Springs, MI, in the amount of \$13,900 to repair and replace the existing hatch and install 28' of 6" overflow pipe on the south water tower.

Upon a call of the Roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Nelson, Baribeau, Beauchamp, Baker, Evans  
Nays: None

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**NB-3b** Nelson moved, Baribeau seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to retain Dixon Engineering, Inc. of Hales Corner, WI, in the amount of \$1,915 to conduct an inspection of the hatch and overflow repair and the required one year warranty inspection of the painting project completed last year.

**Update – Power Generation/Plant Operation Options – City Administration.**

Manager O'Toole updated the City Council and public on the sale of the Power

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Plant and related items.

**APPOINTMENT(S) TO CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES - None**  
**BOARD, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Council Members reviewed City Board and Commission meetings each attended since the last City Council Meeting.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Proclamation: "2012" – The Disabled American Veterans Forget-Me-Not-Days – August 3rd, 4th, 11th and 18th, 2012;
- Members of Council encouraged members of the public to attend the Monday night free concerts at Ludington Park Bandshell sponsored by the Arts Center.

Hearing no further public comment, the Council adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert S. Richards, CMC  
City Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Leo J. Evans, Mayor