

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ESCANABA, MICHIGAN
Work Session Meeting
Tuesday, March 19, 2013**

Pursuit to a special meeting notice posted March 13, 2013, the meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Leo J. Evans at 7:47 a.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 Clerk Richards, and media.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION – None

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT – None

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion – City Council Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct.

In recognizing that stewardship of the public interest was of primary interest to the City Council for effective functioning of the democratic process, the City Council Rules of Procedure were reviewed to assure that standards were understood and met so that the public could continue to have full confidence in the integrity of City government. The following topics were discussed:

- Reviewed Attorney email regarding Open Meetings;
- Review of the Council Liaison concept;
- Discussed clarifying and making changes to Council Rules of Procedure:
 - Council Members should be made aware of Council Member Ethics;
 - Reaffirmed Liaison understanding at City Board and Commissions;
 - Reviewed Council Member Nelson's Memo of suggestions for the Council Rules of Procedure;
 - Discussed possible Sub-Committee or emailing proposed changes to Rules;
- To ensure Council was made aware of discussions at Board & Commission meetings, draft minutes would be forwarded to Council each Friday.

After discussion, Council Members were requested to get with Manager O’Toole regarding proposed changes to the Rules of Procedure, and those interested in a Sub-Committee regarding the Rules of Procedure, were asked to contact Mayor Evans.

Council Members Nelson, Baker, and Manager O’Toole asked to be members of the Rules of Procedure Sub-Committee.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Hearing no further public comment, the Council adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert S. Richards, CMC
City Clerk

Approved: _____
Leo J. Evans, Mayor