

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ESCANABA, MICHIGAN
Regular Council Meeting
Thursday, May 19, 2016**

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

Present: Mayor Marc D. Tall, Council Members, Patricia A. Baribeau, Ronald J. Beauchamp, Ralph B. Blasier, and Michael R. Sattem.

Absent: None

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

City Clerk Robert Richards, gave the invocation and led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sattem moved, Blasier seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve Regular Meeting Minutes from May 5, 2016, as submitted.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION – None

RETIREMENT PROCLAMATIONS(S)

Mayor Tall directed Administration to present Ken Vanderlinden, Director, Department of Public Safety and Murray Pearce, Officer, Department of Public Safety with Certificates of Merit and Proclamations upon the occasion of their retirements.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT – None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing and Adoption – FY 2016-17 Operating Budget.

The Council has conducted five (5) public hearings and two (2) budget work sessions to set a proposed FY2016-17 operating budget. This was the final public hearing on the FY 2016-17 City operating budget and establishment of a City millage rate of 17.00 mills. Administration recommended Council approval of the FY 2016-17 Operating Budget and approval of the FY 2016-17 Master Fee Schedule.

Manager O'Toole briefly reviewed the proposed budget, and the proposed utility rate ordinances.

This being a public hearing, Mayor Tall asked if there was any public comment.

Hearing no public comment, Mayor Tall closed the public hearing.

PH-1a Blasier moved, Beauchamp seconded, to establish the City millage rate at 17.00 mills for 2016-2017 Budget Year and to adopt the 2016-2017 City Budget as published.

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

Ayes: Blasier, Beauchamp, Baribeau, Sattem, Tall
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

PH-1b Blasier moved, Sattem seconded, to establish approval of the FY 2016-17 Master Fee Schedule.

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

Ayes: Blasier, Sattem, Baribeau, Beauchamp, Tall
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Public Hearing - Notice of Improvements (Special Assessment Project) – North 26th Street from 3rd Avenue North to 6th Avenue North.

The City of Escanaba received a petition from property owners requesting the City construct a 30 foot wide hot mix asphalt paved street with concrete curb and gutter, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and water main on North 26th Street from 3rd Avenue North to 6th Avenue North. As part of the project, the City of Escanaba was required to conduct a public hearing on the proposed special assessed improvement project so that citizen comments and objections to proposed improvements could be heard. After the Public Hearing, Administration recommended the Council schedule a Public Hearing date for June 2, 2016, on the proposed special assessments.

This being a public hearing, Mayor Tall asked if there was any public comment.

Hearing no public comment, Mayor Tall closed the public hearing.

PH-2 Beauchamp moved, Baribeau seconded, to schedule a public hearing for June 2, 2016, to hear objections to the proposed special assessments – North 26th Street

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from 3rd Avenue North to 6th Avenue North.

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

Ayes: Beauchamp, Baribeau, Sattem, Blasier, Tall

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Public Hearing - Notice of Improvement (Special Assessment Project) – 20th Avenue South from Lakeshore Drive to 746.84 feet West.

The City of Escanaba received a petition from property owners requesting the City install a 20 foot wide chip-seal paved street surface without curb and gutter on 20th Avenue South from Lakeshore Drive to 746.84 feet West. As part of the project, the City of Escanaba was required to conduct a public hearing on the proposed special assessed improvement project so that citizen comments and objections to proposed improvements could be heard. After the Public Hearing, Administration recommended the Council schedule a Public Hearing date for June 2, 2016, on the proposed special assessments.

This being a public hearing, Mayor Tall asked if there was any public comment.

City Resident Dan Phalen spoke of a street being closed as part of the petition.

Public Works Superintendent Bill Farrell advised, South 18th Street would become a dead end and would limit it's access, and briefly reviewed the assessment process.

Hearing no further public comment, Mayor Tall closed the public hearing.

PH-3 Sattem moved, Blasier seconded, to schedule a public hearing for June 2, 2016, to hear objections to the proposed special assessments – 20th Avenue South from Lakeshore Drive to 746.84 feet West.

Ayes: Sattem, Blasier, Baribeau, Beauchamp, Tall

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Public Hearing - Notice of Improvement (Special Assessment Project) – South 22nd Street from 18th Avenue South to 494.81 feet South.

The City of Escanaba received a petition from property owners requesting the City install a 22 foot wide chip-seal paved street surface without curbing and gutter on South 22nd Street from 18th Avenue South to 494.81 feet South. As part of the project, the City of Escanaba was required to conduct a public hearing on the proposed special

assessed improvement project so that citizen comments and objections to proposed improvements could be heard. After the Public Hearing, Administration recommended the Council schedule a Public Hearing date for June 2, 2016, on the proposed special assessments.

This being a public hearing, Mayor Tall asked if there was any public comment.

Hearing no public comment, Mayor Tall closed the public hearing.

PH-4 Beauchamp moved, Sattem seconded, to schedule a public hearing for June 2, 2016, to hear objections to the proposed special assessments – South 22nd Street from 18th Avenue South to 494.81 feet South.

Ayes: Beauchamp, Sattem, Blasier, Baribeau, Tall
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

First Reading of Ordinance No. 1167, the Appropriations Ordinance, Including the Millage Rate of 17.00 Mills and Setting the Date of Wednesday, May 25, 2016, for the Second Reading, Public Hearing, and Adoption.

Once the City Council approves the budget, the Council must approve a tax levy and authorize appropriations to implement the budget. Administration recommended a special meeting for Wednesday, May 25, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. be scheduled for the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Appropriations Ordinance No. 1167.

NB-1 Sattem moved, Blasier seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to set the date of May 25, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. for the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of the Appropriations Ordinance No. 1167 and millage rate of 17 mills.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 1168, the Tax Levy Ordinance, and Setting the Date of Wednesday, May 25, 2016, for the Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption.

Section 9, Chapter VIII, of the City Charter requires the City, by Ordinance, to levy taxes that may be necessary to meet the appropriations' needs. Administration recommended a special meeting for Wednesday, May 25, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. be scheduled for the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Tax Levy Ordinance No. 1168.

NB-2 Beauchamp moved, Sattem seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to set the date of May 25, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. for the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Tax Levy Ordinance No. 1168.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 1169, the Electric Rate Ordinance, and Setting the Date of Monday, June 6, 2016, for Second Reading, Public Hearing, and Adoption.

Annually, the City Council sets electric utility rates for the next fiscal year. Council was asked to consider this the first reading of Ordinance No. 1169 and to schedule the second reading and public hearing for June 6, 2016, at 8:00 a.m.

NB-3 Beauchamp moved, Sattem seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to set the date of June 6, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. for the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1169.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 1170, the Wastewater Rate Ordinance, and Setting the Date of Monday, June 6, 2016, for the Second Reading, Public Hearing, and Adoption.

Annually, the City Council sets wastewater utility rates for the next fiscal year. Council was asked to consider this the first reading of Ordinance No. 1170 and to schedule the second reading and public hearing for June 6, 2016, at 8:00 a.m.

NB-4 Blasier moved, Sattem seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to set the date of June 6, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. for the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1170.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 1171, the Water Rate Ordinance, and Setting the Date of Monday, June 6, 2016, for Second Reading, Public Hearing, and Adoption.

Annually, the City Council sets water utility rates for the next fiscal year. Council was asked to consider this the first reading of Ordinance No. 1171 and to schedule the second reading and public hearing for June 6, 2016, at 8:00 a.m.

NB-5 Beauchamp moved, Sattem seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to set the date of June 6, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. for the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1171.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 1172, the Solid Waste Ordinance, and Setting the Date of Monday, June 6, 2016, for the Second Reading, Public Hearing, and Adoption.

Annually, the City Council sets solid waste rates for the next fiscal year. Council was asked to consider this the first reading of Ordinance No. 1172 and to schedule the second reading and public hearing for June 6, 2016, at 8:00 a.m.

NB-6 Sattem moved, Baribeau seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to set the date of June 6, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. for the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1172.

Approval – Use of Public Space – Cat-Man-Do’s Bar and Grill – 1223 Ludington Street.

Mr. Curt Spaulding, owner of Cat-Man-Do’s Bar and Grill, 1223 Ludington Street, sought Council approval to use the public sidewalk and South 13th Street from Ludington Street to the Alley for their annual fundraisers and special events throughout the summer months. Administration recommended approval of the request contingent upon the following: 1) Proper insurance was provided naming the City of Escanaba as an additional insured, and 2) The event sponsors provide all labor and material to clean up at the conclusion of each event. The events were as follows:

- a. Kruisin Klassic Fun Run Parade - June 3, 2016 – Use of Public Sidewalk.
- b. Bike Night and Classic Car Rally - June 8, July 13, August 10, & September 14, 2016 - Use of South 13th Street From Ludington Street to Alley.
- c. Cats Grats - July 1, 2016 – Use of South 13th Street from Ludington Street to Alley.
- d. Wheelin Sportsman Fundraiser - August 13, 2016 – Use of South 13th Street from Ludington Street to Alley.

NB-7 Beauchamp moved, Blasier seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the Cat-Man-Do request contingent upon the following: 1) Proper insurance was provided naming the City of Escanaba as an additional insured, and 2) The event sponsors provide all labor and material to clean up at the conclusion of each event. The events were as follows:

- a. Kruisin Klassic Fun Run Parade - June 3, 2016 – Use of Public Sidewalk.
- b. Bike Night and Classic Car Rally - June 8, July 13, August 10, & September 14, 2016 - Use of South 13th Street From Ludington Street to Alley.
- c. Cats Grats - July 1, 2016 – Use of South 13th Street from Ludington Street to Alley.
- d. Wheelin Sportsman Fundraiser - August 13, 2016 – Use of South 13th Street from Ludington Street to Alley.

APPOINTMENT(S) TO CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

Mayor Tall, with Council consensus, made the following appointment and reappointments to City Board and Commissions:

Board of Library Trustees:

Kathy Mason, term ending June 1, 2019;

These individuals were appointed to fill vacancies. The terms will be expiring June 1, 2016, and wish to be reappointed to their first complete terms:

Howard Smale – Housing Commission, term ending June 1, 2021;

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Holly Thomma – Loan Administration Board, term ending June 1, 2022;
Morley Diment – Planning Commission, term ending June 1, 2019;
Joseph Crispigna – Traffic Safety Advisory Committee, term ending June 1, 2019.

These individuals 1st term will be expiring June 1, 2016, and wish to be reappointed to their 2nd term:

Dennis Renken – Board of Appeals, term ending June 1, 2019;
Judith Schroeder – Liquor License Review Board, term ending June 1, 2019;
James Hellermann – Planning Commission, term ending June 1, 2019;
Christine Williams – Planning Commission, term ending June 1, 2019;

This individuals 1st extended 1 year appointment will be expiring June 1, 2016, and wishes to be reappointed to his 2nd extended 1 year appointment:

Jon Liss – Board of Appeals, term ending June 1, 2017.

This individuals 2nd extended 1 year appointment will be expiring June 1, 2016, and wishes to be reappointed to her 3rd extended 1 year appointment:

Roni Beaudoin – Loan Administration Board, term ending June 1, 2017.

This individuals 2nd extended 1 year appointment expired April 1, 2016, and wishes to be reappointed to his 3rd extended 1 year appointment:

Randy Godlewski – Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, term ending June 1, 2017.

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

- Council Members thanked the Besse Family for their continued donations to the Delta County Animal Shelter.

Hearing no further public comment, the Council adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted

Robert S. Richards, CMC
City Clerk

Approved: _____
Marc D. Tall, Mayor