

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ESCANABA, MICHIGAN
Special Council Meeting
Monday, June 6, 2016**

Pursuant to a meeting notice posted on May 20, 2016, the meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Marc D. Tall at 8:00 a.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, and Ralph B. Blasier, Michael R. Sattem.

Absent: None

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Sattem moved, Blasier 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

Escanaba City Charter required the Council to pass electric, wastewater, water and solid waste utility rate ordinances on the first Monday of June, for the upcoming fiscal year 2016-17.

Second reading, public hearing and adoption of Ordinance No. 1169, the Electric Rate Ordinance.

Annually, the City Council set electric utility rates for the next fiscal year. Administration recommended approval of the electric rates as provided. Council was asked to consider this the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1169.

Inasmuch as this was a public hearing, Mayor Tall asked for comments from the Council and audience relative to the setting of the Electric Rate Ordinance No. 1169.

No comments were heard.

PH-1a "By Council Member Blasier, seconded, by Council Member Beauchamp;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1169, the Electric Rate Ordinance, given its second reading and public hearing at this meeting, be and it is hereby adopted, and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of State law and the City Charter.”

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

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

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Herewith Ordinance No. 1169, adopted by title:

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY OF ESCANABA FOR ELECTRIC ENERGY DEMAND AND AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE, TO BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ON THE BILLINGS PROCESSED AFTER JUNE 30, 2016, AND ALL BILLINGS THEREAFTER UNTIL FURTHER AMENDED BY THE COUNCIL.

Full text in Ordinance Record “K.”

Second reading, public hearing and adoption of Ordinance No. 1170, the Wastewater Rate Ordinance. A three (3) percent rate increase was being recommended.

Annually, the City Council set wastewater utility rates for the next fiscal year. Council was asked to consider this the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1170.

Inasmuch as this was a public hearing, Mayor Tall asked for comments from the Council and audience relative to the setting of the Wastewater Rate Ordinance No. 1170.

No comments were heard.

PH-1b “By Council Member Beauchamp, seconded by Council Member Baribeau;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1170, the Wastewater Rate Ordinance, given its second reading and public hearing at this meeting, be and it is hereby adopted, and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of State law and the City Charter.”

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

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

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Herewith Ordinance No. 1170, adopted by title:

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE CHARGES TO BE ASSESSED BY THE CITY OF ESCANABA FOR WASTEWATER COLLECTION AND TREATMENT AND THE AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE TO BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ON THE BILLINGS PROCESSED AFTER JUNE 30, 2016, AND ALL BILLINGS THEREAFTER UNTIL FURTHER AMENDED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

Full text in Ordinance Record "K."

Second reading, public hearing and adoption of Ordinance No. 1171, the Water Rate Ordinance. A six (6) percent rate increase was being recommended.

Annually, the City Council set water utility rates for the next fiscal year. Council was asked to consider this the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1171.

Inasmuch as this was a public hearing, Mayor Tall asked for comments from the Council and audience relative to the setting of the Water Rate Ordinance No. 1171.

No comments were heard.

PH-1c "By Council Member Sattem, seconded by Council Member Beauchamp;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1171, the Water Rate Ordinance, given its second reading and public hearing at this meeting, be and it is hereby adopted, and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of State law and the City Charter."

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

Ayes: Sattem, Beauchamp, Baribeau, Blasier, Tall

Nays: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Herewith Ordinance No. 1171, adopted by title:

THE ORDINANCE FIXING THE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY OF ESCANABA FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION, TREATMENT, AND AVAILABILITY TO BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ON THE BILLINGS PROCESSED AFTER JUNE 30, 2016, AND ALL BILLINGS THEREAFTER UNTIL FURTHER AMENDED BY THE COUNCIL.

Full text in Ordinance Record "K."

Second reading, public hearing and adoption of Ordinance No. 1172, the Solid Waste, Recycling, Yard Waste and Litter Ordinance.

Annually, the City Council set solid waste rates for the next fiscal year. Council was asked to consider this the second reading, public hearing, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1172.

Inasmuch as this was a public hearing, Mayor Tall asked for comments from the Council and audience relative to the setting of the Solid Waste, Recycling, Yard Waste and Littering Ordinance No. 1172.

No comments were heard.

PH-1d “By Council Member Baribeau, seconded by Council Member Blasier;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1172, the Solid Waste, Recycling, Yard Waste and Littering Ordinance, given its second reading and public hearing at this meeting, be and it is hereby adopted, and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of State law and the City Charter.”

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

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

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Herewith Ordinance No. 1172, adopted by title:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, FIXING THE CHARGES TO BE ASSESSED BY THE CITY OF ESCANABA FOR SOLID WASTE, RECYCLING, YARD WASTE AND LITTERING, TO BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ON THE BILLINGS PROCESSED AFTER JUNE 30, 2016 AND ALL BILLINGS THEREAFTER UNTIL FURTHER AMENDED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ESCANABA

Full text in Ordinance Record “K.”

NEW BUSINESS – None

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

Mayor Tall, with Council approval made the following appointments: Bill DeHaan to the Board of Appeals, term ending June 1, 2019.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

Hearing no further public comment, the Council adjourned at 8:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Robert S. Richards, CMC
City Clerk

Approved: _____
Marc D. Tall, Mayor