

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ESCANABA, MICHIGAN
Regular Council Meeting
Thursday, November 17, 2022**

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

Present: Council Members, Ronald J. Beauchamp, Tyler DuBord, Todd Flath, and Karen Moore

Absent: Mayor Mark Ammel

Also Present: City Manager Patrick Jordan, Interim City Manager Jim McNeil, City Clerk Phil DeMay, Department Heads, media, and members of the public.

City Clerk DeMay led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Beauchamp moved, DuBord seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to excuse Mayor Mark Ammel from the meeting.

DuBord moved, Flath seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve Regular Meeting minutes from November 3, 2022, as submitted.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Flath moved, DuBord seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the City Council Agenda as submitted.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION – None

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT

- Gordy Fitch – thanked City Council for their leadership.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

UB-1 Discussion – Progress Regarding Sale and Development of Jail and Chamber Sites – Administration.

Administration updated City Council on the progress regarding the sale and development of the Jail and Chamber properties.

Interim City Manager Jim McNeil updated council on the progress of the development of the Jail and Chamber properties.

DuBord moved, Beauchamp seconded, to approve the purchase agreement with Terrace Bay Hotel development group.

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

Ayes: DuBord, Beauchamp, Moore, Flath

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Ammel

MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 Approval – C2AE- DWSRF – LSLR Project and Water Main Project – Water Department.

Administration requested Council's approval to hire and retain the engineering services of C2AE of Escanaba, MI, to assist the City with the LSLR Project for the City of Escanaba Water Treatment Plant in an amount of \$737,240.00 and the Water Main Project for the City of Escanaba Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$1,301,810.00 for a total of \$2,039,050.00.

NB-1 DuBord moved, Flath seconded, to approve to hire and retain the engineering services of C2AE of Escanaba, MI, to assist the City with the LSLR Project for the City of Escanaba Water Treatment Plant in an amount of \$737,240.00 and the Water Main Project for the City of Escanaba Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$1,301,810.00 for a total of \$2,039,050.00.

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

Ayes: DuBord, Flath, Moore, Beauchamp

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Ammel

MOTION CARRIED.

NB-2 Approval – Purchase Itron Pit Endpoint Encoder with Integral Connector and Antenna Connector – Water Department.

Administration requested Council's approval to purchase eight hundred (800) Itron 100W+ Pit Endpoint Encoder with Integral Connector and Antenna Connector from United Systems in an amount not to exceed \$76,160.00.

NB-2 DuBord moved, Beauchamp seconded, to approve to purchase eight hundred (800) Itron 100W+ Pit Endpoint Encoder with Integral Connector and Antenna Connector from United Systems in an amount not to exceed \$76,160.00.

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

Ayes: DuBord, Beauchamp, Moore, Flath

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Ammel

MOTION CARRIED.

NB-3 Approval – Stipend for Interim City Manager - HR.

Administration requested City Council approval of a salary stipend of \$29,440 to be paid to the City Assessor in addition to his current salary to compensate for the additional duties of Interim City Manager.

NB-3 DuBord moved, Beauchamp seconded, to approve of a salary stipend of \$29,440 to be paid to the City Assessor in addition to his current salary to compensate for the additional duties of Interim City Manager.

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

Ayes: DuBord, Beauchamp, Moore, Flath

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Ammel

MOTION CARRIED.

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

Council Consensus along with City Manager made the following appointment:

Ann Bissell re-appointed to the Electrical Advisory Committee, expiring January 1, 2026.

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

- City Clerk DeMay gave an update on the November election. Thanked his precinct election inspectors along with Deputy Clerk Tammy Weissert for her hard work!

- High School Musical “Sister Act” runs December 19th-22nd at the Escanaba High School.
- Council Members thanked Patrick Jordan for his serviced to the City of Escanaba.
- Happy Thanksgiving

Hearing no further public comment DuBord moved, the Council adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Phil DeMay
City Clerk

Approved: _____
Mark Ammel, Mayor