

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ESCANABA, MICHIGAN
Regular Council Meeting
Thursday, December 19, 2019**

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, Ralph B. Blasier, Tyler D. DuBord, Karen S. Moore, and Peggy O'Connell

Absent: None

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

City Clerk DeMay led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Blasier moved, O'Connell seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve Regular Meeting minutes from December 5, 2019, as submitted.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Blasier moved, DuBord seconded, to combine Public Hearing agenda items PH-1 thru PH-4 for simplicity because they amend Ordinance No. 1028 with different chapters.

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

Ayes: Blasier

Nays: DuBord, Moore, O'Connell, Mayor Tall

MOTION FAILED.

O'Connell moved, Blasier seconded, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the City Council Agenda as submitted.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION – None

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT – None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1 Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1218, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1028, by Revising Selected Sections of Chapter 1 – General Provisions.

Administration requested the City Council to consider approval and adoption of Ordinance No. 1218, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter I of Appendix A as Codified Under the Code of 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 and the following resolution was made:

PH-1 “By Council Member O’Connell, seconded by Council Member Blasier;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1218, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1028, by Revising Selected Sections of Chapter 1 – General Provisions, given its public hearing at this meeting, be and is hereby adopted and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter.”

Herewith Ordinance No. 1218 adopted by title:

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER I OF APPENDIX A AS CODIFIED UNDER THE CODE OF ORDINANCES”

Full text in Ordinance Record “L”.

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

Ayes: O’Connell, Blasier, Moore, DuBord, Mayor Tall

Nays: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.”

PH-2 Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1219, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1028, by Amending Selected Sections of Chapter 2 – Administration, Enforcement and Penalty.

Administration requested the City Council to consider approval and adoption of Ordinance No. 1219, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter II of Appendix A as Codified Under the Code of 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 and the following resolution was made:

PH-2 “By Council Member Blasier, seconded by Council Member Moore;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1219, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1028, by Amending Selected Sections of Chapter 2 – Administration,

Enforcement and Penalty, given its public hearing at this meeting, be and is hereby adopted and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter."

Herewith Ordinance No. 1219 adopted by title:

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER II OF APPENDIX A AS CODIFIED UNDER THE CODE OF ORDINANCES”

Full text in Ordinance Record “L”.

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

Ayes: Blasier, Moore, DuBord, O’Connell, Mayor Tall
Nays: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.”

PH-3 Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1220, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1028, by Amending Selected Sections of Chapter 3 – Board of Zoning Appeals.

Administration requesting the City Council to consider approval and adoption of Ordinance No. 1220, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter III of Appendix A as Codified Under the Code of 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 and the following resolution was made:

PH-3 “By Council Member O’Connell, seconded by Council Member Blasier;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1220, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1028, by Amending Selected Sections of Chapter 3 – Board of Zoning Appeals, given its public hearing at this meeting, be and is hereby adopted and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter."

Herewith Ordinance No. 1220 adopted by title:

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER III OF APPENDIX A AS CODIFIED UNDER THE CODE OF ORDINANCES”

Full text in Ordinance Record “L”.

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

Ayes: O’Connell, Blasier, Moore, DuBord, Mayor Tall
Nays: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.”

PH-4 Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1221, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1028, by Amending Section 401 – District Classifications of Chapter 4 – District, Boundaries and Zoning Map.

Administration requested the City Council to consider approval and adoption of Ordinance No. 1221, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter IV of Appendix A as Codified Under the Code of 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 and the following resolution was made:

PH-4 “By Council Member O’Connell, seconded by Council Member DuBord;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1221, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1028, by Amending Section 401– District Classifications of Chapter 4 – District, Boundaries and Zoning Map, given its public hearing at this meeting, be and is hereby adopted and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter.”

Herewith Ordinance No. 1221 adopted by title:

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER IV OF APPENDIX A AS CODIFIED UNDER THE CODE OF ORDINANCES”

Full text in Ordinance Record “L”.

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

Ayes: O’Connell, DuBord, Moore, Blasier, Mayor Tall
Nays: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.”

PH-5 Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1222, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1075, by Amending Section 2112 – Fences and Walls of Chapter 21 – Central Retail Commercial District.

Administration requested the City Council to consider approval and adoption of

Ordinance No. 1222, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter XXI of Appendix A as Codified Under the Code of 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 and the following resolution was made:

PH-5 “By Council Member Blasier, seconded by Council Member O’Connell;

Resolved, That Ordinance No. 1222, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1075, by Amending Section 2112– Fences and Walls of Chapter 21 – Central Retail Commercial District, given its public hearing at this meeting, be and is hereby adopted and that it be published in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter.”

Herewith Ordinance No. 1222 adopted by title:

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER XXI OF APPENDIX A AS CODIFIED UNDER THE CODE OF ORDINANCES”

Full text in Ordinance Record “L”.

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

Ayes: Blasier, O’Connell, Moore, DuBord, Mayor Tall

Nays: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.”

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 Presentation – Rehmman will Provide a Presentation of the Audit Results.

Annette Eustice from audit firm Rehmman provided a presentation of the June 30th, 2019 audit results.

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

- Downtown Super Santa Sunday on December 15th was a great success.
- The Bissell Empty the Shelter on December 14th was a great event and turnout!
- Wish everyone a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!

Hearing no further public comment, O’Connell moved, DuBord seconded, the Council adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Phil DeMay
City Clerk

Approved: _____
Marc D. Tall, Mayor