

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

May 16, 2016

The Municipal Council of the City of Alpena met in regular session in the City Hall on the above date and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Mayor.

Present: Mayor Waligora, Councilmembers Nielsen, Nowak, Johnson, and Sexton.

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular session of May 2, 2016, were approved as printed.

MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, that the following modification to the agenda be approved.

1. Move Agenda Item 12, Communications and Petitions – Chief's Bar & Grill, before Agenda Item 10, Public Hearings.

Carried by unanimous vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Sexton that the following Consent Agenda item be approved:

1. Bills Allowed – in the amount of \$162,099.30 be allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to sign warrants in payment of same.

Carried by unanimous vote.

CHIEF'S BAR & GRILL

STREET CLOSURE AND NOISE VARIANCE

Moved by Councilmember Sexton, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, that the request from Chief's Bar & Grill to close Lake Street from North Second Avenue to the back of the bar and for a noise variance from 10:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. on June 4, June 11 and July 30, 2016, for charity events, be approved.

Carried by unanimous vote.

CHIEF'S BAR & GRILL

STREET CLOSURE

Moved by Councilmember Sexton, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, that the

request from Chief's Bar & Grill to close Lake Street from North Second Avenue to the back of the bar for a bean bag (corn hole) league on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. from June 15 through August 10, 2016, be approved.

Carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

**REQUEST FOR VACATION OF A PORTION OF AN ALLEY LOCATED
BETWEEN NINTH AVENUE AND TENTH AVENUE, WEST OF
CHISHOLM STREET**

Mayor Waligora announced a Public Hearing on the request for vacation of a portion of an alley located between Ninth Avenue and Tenth Avenue, west of Chisholm Street. The public comment period was opened.

Adam Poll, Planning and Development Director, presented a report and stated the vacation request would not appear to have a negative impact on the area and that staff would recommend approval of the request.

There was no public comment.

The Deputy City Clerk indicated that no written comments had been received.

The public comment period was closed. Council discussion followed. The Mayor declared the Public Hearing closed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-06

**RESOLUTION VACATING A PORTION OF AN ALLEY
LOCATED BETWEEN NINTH AVENUE AND TENTH AVENUE, WEST OF CHISHOLM
STREET**

Moved by Councilmember Sexton, seconded by Councilmember Nowak, that Resolution No. 2016-06, a resolution vacating a portion of an alley located between Ninth Avenue and Tenth Avenue, west of Chisholm Street, be approved.

Carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

**REQUEST FOR VACATION OF A PORTION OF AN ALLEY LOCATED
BETWEEN LOCKWOOD STREET AND SABLE STREET**

Mayor Waligora announced a Public Hearing on the request for vacation of a portion of an alley located between Lockwood Street and Sable Street. The public comment period was opened.

Adam Poll, Planning and Development Director, presented a report and stated staff does not feel the section of alley is needed by the City and that they recommend approval of the request.

Huck Jack of 933 Sable Street, John Dault of 924 Lockwood Street, Robert Westenbarger of 928 Lockwood Street, Joey LaFave of 913 Sable Street, and Nick Frary of 917 Sable Street, all spoke of their concerns regarding the alley access for residents and public safety vehicles as well as drainage issues for the proposed parking lot. A suggested compromise was to install a gate for alley access.

Reverend Joe Muszkiewicz and Maintenance Supervisor Greg Dzieszinski of All Saints Catholic Parish spoke on the suggested gate and drainage concerns.

The Deputy City Clerk indicated that written comments had been received and were included in council packet. There were seven responses in favor, two opposed, and one neutral regarding the alley vacation.

The public comment period was closed. Council discussion followed. The Mayor declared the Public Hearing closed.

RESOLUTION NO 2016-07

RESOLUTION VACATING A PORTION OF AN ALLEY LOCATED BETWEEN LOCKWOOD STREET AND SABLE STREET

Move by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen. That Resolution No. 2016-07, a resolution vacating a portion of an alley located between Lockwood Street and Sable Street, be approved.

Carried by vote as follows:

Ayes: Nielsen, Nowak, Waligora, Johnson.

Nays: Sexton.

PUBLIC HEARING

2016 - 2017 BUDGET

Mayor Waligora announced a Public Hearing on the proposed 2016 - 2017 Budget and on amendments to the 2015 - 2016 Budget. The public comment period was opened.

There was no public comment.

The Deputy City Clerk indicated that no written comments had been received concerning the budget.

The City Clerk published a notice of the Public Hearing in the Alpena News, as

required by the City Charter and State Statute.

The public comment period was closed. The Mayor declared the Public Hearing closed.

The City Manager presented a report and recommendations for the Budget. Council discussion followed.

SEWER AND WATER RATES

2016 - 2017

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Sexton, to separate 2016 – 2017 sewer and water rates out of the budget adoption process.

Carried by vote as follows:

Ayes: Nowak, Sexton, Waligora, Johnson.

Nays: Nielsen.

Moved by Councilmember Sexton, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, to approve the 2016 - 2017 sewer and water rates.

Carried by vote as follows:

Ayes: Sexton, Waligora, Johnson, Nielsen.

Nays: Nowak.

BUDGET ADOPTION RESOLUTION

2016 – 2017

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Sexton, that the 2016 - 2017 Budget be adopted; that the Administrative Salaries and Fringe Benefits for 2016 - 2017, be adopted; and that the Comprehensive Fee Schedule be adopted, with the revised fees effective July 1, 2016, and fees proposed for revision requiring an ordinance change be effective upon the effective date of the ordinance amendment.

Carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-05

APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, that Resolution No. 2016-05, which appropriates funds for the approved 2016 - 2017 Budget, and which sets the 2016 millage rates, and which authorizes the City Treasurer to collect the 2016 property taxes, be adopted.

Carried by unanimous vote

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

2015 - 2016

Moved by Councilmember Nielsen, seconded by Councilmember Sexton, that the 2015 - 2016 Budget be amended to show the estimated revenues and expenditures as itemized in the column of the 2016 - 2017 Budget titled "Estimated Current Year – 6/30/16".

Carried by unanimous vote.

BALLISTIC VESTS

The following sealed bids were received April 26, 2016, for the Razor Generation II Ballistic Vest Packages.

CMP Distributors, Inc.	\$12,580.00
Kiesler Police Supply	\$15,056.39

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, that the bid by CMP Distributors, Inc., for the bid amount of \$12,580, be accepted.

Carried by unanimous vote.

COUNCIL POLICY STATEMENT NO. 56

COMPUTER, EMAIL AND INTERNET USAGE

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen that Council Policy Statement No. 56 - Computer, Email, and Internet Usage, be approved.

Carried by unanimous vote.

On motion of Councilmember Sexton, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, the Municipal Council adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

MATTHEW J. WALIGORA
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Julie Krajniak
Deputy City Clerk