

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

August 1, 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, Sexton, and Johnson.

Absent: Nowak.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular session of July 18, 2016, and the closed session for July 18, 2016, were approved as printed.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Bills Allowed – in the amount of \$465,064.12 be allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to sign warrants in payment of same.

Carried by unanimous vote.

ONGOING GEESE ISSUE

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, to support in-City goose hunts, sonic repellent systems, and the continuation of the spring egg and nest destruction practices.

Carried by vote as follows:

Ayes: Nowak, Waligora, Nielsen.

Nays: Sexton, Johnson.

TARGET DIRECTOR – 2016 REPORT TO THE CITY

Jim Klarich, Target Director, gave a report on behalf of Target Alpena Development Corporation for the end of the fiscal year. He reported that Alpena's overall economy continues to improve and that Alpena has the lowest unemployment rate in Northeastern Michigan at 4.9%. The Small Business Development Center consulting and Target's small business loan activities have begun to rebound, Target's relationships with corporate real estate companies and site selectors continues to grow, and the inventory of undercapitalized buildings and sites are declining rapidly, as they

continue to work with the City on several fronts and are exploring the revitalization opportunities on the underutilized buildings downtown. Jim is confident that Alpena will continue to see growth and increased economic activities throughout 2016 – 2017, he thanked the City for its continued support and efforts.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, that the Municipal Council adjourn to a closed session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss pending litigation.

Carried by unanimous vote.

RECESS

The Municipal Council recessed at 8:10 p.m.

RECONVENE – CLOSED SESSION

The Municipal Council reconvened in closed session at 8:27 p.m.

RECONVENED – OPEN SESSION

On motion of Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, the Municipal Council reconvened in open session at 9:44 p.m.

Carried by unanimous vote.

On motion of Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nielsen, the Municipal Council adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

MATTHEW J. WALIGORA
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Karen Hebert
City Clerk