

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

June 4, 2012

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 Eiler, Karschnick, Nunneley, and Sexton.

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular session of May 21, 2012, and closed session of May 21, 2012, were approved as printed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilman Karschnick, seconded by Councilman Eiler, that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

1. Bills Allowed – in the amount of \$75,691.35 be allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to sign warrants in payment of same.
2. Approval of resolution made by Thunder Bay Winery L.L.C. for a new small wine maker license to be located at 109 N. Second Avenue, Ste. 101, Alpena, Michigan.

Carried by unanimous vote.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Moved by Councilman Nunneley, seconded by Councilman Sexton, to receive and file the Treasurer's Financial Report of July 1, 2011, through April 30, 2012.

Carried by unanimous vote.

COUNCIL COMPENSATION

Moved by Councilman Eiler, seconded by Councilman Karschnick, to confirm the approval of a 50% pay cut and \$600 cap on meeting stipends from July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012; and a 50% pay cut and \$1,200 cap on meeting stipends for calendar year 2013.

Carried by unanimous vote.

ALPENA DOWNTOWN BLOCK PARTY

Moved by Councilman Nunneley, seconded by Councilman Eiler, that the request by the Alpena DDA Buzz Committee to hold the Alpena Downtown Block Party on Friday, June 15, 2012, from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. as presented by Lesslee Dort, DDA Director, in her correspondence of May 30, 2012, be approved.

Carried by unanimous vote.

SYNTHETIC DRUGS

Moved by Councilman Karschnick, seconded by Councilman Nunneley, that 500 posters be distributed throughout the community in support of not selling synthetic drugs; and the Police Department's Drug Forfeiture Fund will pay for the posters.

Carried by unanimous vote.

Moved by Councilman Karschnick, seconded by Councilman Nunneley, to direct the City Attorney to investigate the best way to address a ban on synthetic drugs in the City of Alpena; and send a letter to other governmental units to join together to ban synthetic drugs in our community.

Carried by unanimous vote.

M-32 SUBSTATION PROJECT

Moved by Councilman Nunneley, seconded by Councilman Eiler, for authorization to continue forward with the intergovernmental collaborative effort

between Alpena Township, Maple Ridge Township, and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to have a City ambulance and an Alpena Township fire engine at the M-32 Department of Natural Resources facility on a limited basis, to improve response time, as presented by Fire Chief Bill Forbush in his memo dated May 31, 2012.

Carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-05

Moved by Councilman Nunneley, seconded by Councilman Sexton, that Resolution No. 2012-05, a resolution in opposition to the diversion of Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund dollars for non-recreational purposes, be adopted.

Carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-06

Moved by Councilman Eiler, seconded by Councilman Karschnick, that Resolution No. 2012-06, a resolution authorizing the submission of an Economic Vitality Incentive Program (EVIP) Grant application for the joint City/County M-32 fiber optic project, be adopted.

Carried by unanimous vote.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM OF CARE

Moved by Councilman Nunneley, seconded by Councilman Sexton, that the memorandum of agreement between the City and Northeast Michigan Children's Behavioral Health Initiative to implement a Behavioral Health System of Care approach for children age 17 and under and their families in Northeast Michigan, be approved.

Carried by unanimous vote.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councilman Karschnick, seconded by Councilman Sexton, that the

Municipal Council adjourn to a closed session at 8:20 p.m., to discuss pending litigation.

RECESS

The Municipal Council recessed at 8:20 p.m.

RECONVENE – CLOSED SESSION

The Municipal Council reconvened in closed session at 8:28 p.m.

RECONVENE – OPEN SESSION

The Municipal Council reconvened in open session at 9:12 p.m.

RATE STUDY

Moved by Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilman Karschnick, to authorize City staff to obtain a firm to perform a water and sewer rate study.

Carried by unanimous vote.

On motion of Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilman Karschnick, the Council adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

MATTHEW J. WALIGORA
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Karen Hebert
City Clerk