

A regular meeting of the Wakefield City Council was held on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Wakefield Municipal Building with Mayor DeFavero presiding and leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL Present: Councilmembers Wiita, Tarro, DeFavero, and Granato
 CALL Absent: Councilmember Mann
 Also Present: Richard Brackney, City Manager; Mike Yon, Wakefield Fire Chief; and 15 guests

CONSENT a) February 13, 2017 regular City Council meeting minutes; and
 AGENDA b) January 19, 2017 regular Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority meeting minutes. Granato moved, Wiita seconded, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

BRIEF
 PUBLIC None
 COMMENT

APPROVAL Granato moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the Agenda be
 OF THE amended to add New Business item g) SAW Grant Teledyne Contract.
 AGENDA

UNFIN- a) City Building Evaluation/Engineering Proposals- Granato moved,
 FINISHED Wiita seconded, that the Council approve the \$5,000.00 proposal
 BUSINESS from John Larson Architect to review and develop use plans for three City owned buildings. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

b) Garbage Collection/GRSWMA Contract- After a lengthy discussion, Granato moved, Wiita seconded, that the Council approve a 3 Year Agreement between the City and Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority for garbage collection. The City will continue to bill residents on a monthly basis and the only change residents will experience is that additional bags will be \$1.50 per bag rather than \$1.00 per sticker. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. Granato moved, Tarro seconded, that the \$14.00 per month flat fee for garbage be collected from all habitable residential structures.

NEW a) Wakefield Fire Department Update- Mike Yon, Fire Chief,
 BUSINESS informed the Council that the Fire Department received a \$1,500 grant from Enbridge, which was used to offset the cost of the \$5,200 extrication cutter the Fire Department purchased. Chief Yon also mentioned that Mike Zacharias, Extreme Tool and Engineering, is working with the Fire Department to enhance the Fire Departments ability to locate potentially hazardous materials within a structure by having a flash drive located in a lock box on the exterior of their buildings and supplying a vehicle laptop for our Fire Truck. This system will also be useful at vehicle accidents. The Fire Department voted in a new member, Mr. Nick Tarro, who will receive necessary training in the near future. No action was taken. Mayor DeFavero thanked the Fire Department for all their efforts.

b) Merit Network (Fiber Optic Internet)- After a lengthy discussion Granato moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the Council table any action on installing Fiber Optic Cable at the Wakefield Municipal Building until more information is received.

c) Charter Communications Request- Tarro moved, Wiita seconded, that the Council approve donating the use of the Wakefield Municipal Building Event Room for a Charter Communications presentation on March 20, 2017. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

d) February (partial) 2017 Invoices- Granato moved, Wiita seconded, that the invoices be approved as presented and ordered paid. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

e) Planning Commission Vacancy- Wiita moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the Council accept Mr. Rod Ritter's resignation with regret, and authorize the City to publish a notice requesting letters of interest to fill the vacancy.

f) Beach Amenities- After a brief discussion, Tarro moved, Granato seconded, that the Council establish a not to exceed \$2,500.00 amount and authorize Mrs. Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk, to purchase an additional beach amenity for 2017. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

g) Teledyne Contract- After a brief discussion, Granato moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the Council table action on the Contract to lease flow meters as a part of the City's Saw Grant Project until additional information is received.

EXTENDED
PUBLIC
COMMENT

Neil Londo commented on garbage and mentioned the Beaver dams that are located west of Sunday Lake.

CLOSED
SESSION

Bargaining Unit Negotiations- Granato moved, Tarro seconded, that the Council go into closed session at 6:48 P.M., pursuant to MCL 15.268, Section 8(c), for strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement (CBA) if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. Del-Favero moved, Wiita seconded, CARRIED, that the Council return to open session at 7:49 P.M., motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. No action was taken.

ADJOURN-
MENT

Tarro moved, Wiita seconded, CARRIED, that the meeting adjourn at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

Approved: _____

Joseph DelFavero, Mayor

Jennifer L. Jacobson, City Clerk