

A special meeting of the Wakefield City Council was held on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 6:30 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, Mann, DeFavero, Tarro, and Granato  
 CALL Absent: None  
 Also Present: Richard Brackney, City Manager; Ray O'Dea, City Attorney; and 3 guests

PURPOSE The Purpose of the Special meeting is to discuss and take any action necessary on a) Bargaining Unit Contract and; and b) City Manager's Contract.

Bargaining Unit Contract- Granato moved, Wiita seconded, that the Council go into closed session at 6:31 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. Mann moved, Tarro seconded, that the Council return to open session at 7:24 P.M. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. Granato moved, Mann seconded, that the Council agree to ratify the Bargaining Unit Contract as presented, between the City of Wakefield and Wakefield Employees' Chapter of Local #992 Affiliated with Michigan Council #25 AFSCME, AFL-CIO, which will be effective immediately and terminate on June 30, 2019. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote, with Councilmember Tarro abstaining from the vote.

City Manager's Contract- Granato moved, Wiita seconded, that the Council go into closed session at 7:26 P.M., pursuant to MCL 15.268, Section 8(a), to consider the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, or to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent, if the named person requests a closed hearing. A person requesting a closed hearing may rescind the request at any time, in which case the matter at issue shall be considered after the rescission only in open sessions. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. Tarro moved, Wiita seconded, that the Council return to open session at 8:18 P.M. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. Mann moved, Wiita seconded, that the Council agree to approve the City Manager's Contract as discussed, between the City of Wakefield and Richard Brackney, which will be effective on May 24, 2017 and terminate on May 23, 2019. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

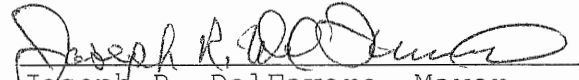
EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT The City Manager informed the Council that the Michigan Tech Garden Group is giving \$2,500 to the City of Wakefield for the purpose of constructing a garden.

ADJOURN- MENT Mann moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the meeting adjourn at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

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5/8/2017

  
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Joseph R. DeFavero, Mayor

  
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Jennifer L. Jacobson, City Clerk

A regular meeting of the Wakefield City Council was held on Monday, May 8, 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, Mann, DeFavero, Tarro, and Granato  
 CALL Absent: None  
 Also Present: Richard Brackney, City Manager; and approximately 14 guests

CONSENT a) April 25, 2017 regular and May 2, 2017 special City Council  
 AGENDA meeting minutes; and b) March 22, 2017 Wakefield Public Library Board meeting minutes. Granato moved, Wiita seconded, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

BRIEF Neil Londo commented on the May 2, 2017 special City Council meet-  
 PUBLIC ing. The Mayor explained that the Council approved a two year  
 COMMENT Contract for the City Manager and that the Bargaining Unit Contract has been ratified. Marco Movrich and Marsha Vestich both commented on the City Manager Contract.

APPROVAL Granato moved, Mann seconded, CARRIED, that the Agenda be amended  
 OF THE to add New Business, item f) Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School  
 AGENDA District Request; and move the City Manager's Report to New Business, item g).

UNFIN- a) Folding Machine Bids- After a brief discussion, Granato moved,  
 FINISHED Mann seconded, that the Council accept the \$2,893.00 bid from  
 BUSINESS Office Planning Group of Iron Mountain, Michigan for a new Folding Machine. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

b) General Office Assistant- After a discussion, Granato moved, Wiita seconded, CARRIED, to table any action on hiring a General Office Assistant until the Personnel Committee could review the applications and determine the office needs.

c) Campground Bids- After a discussion, Granato moved, Wiita seconded, CARRIED, that the Council deny the bid for floor replacement and re-bid the project in the fall of 2017. Mayor DeFavero voted no.

NEW a) April (Final) and May (Partial) 2017 Invoices- Granato moved,  
 BUSINESS Mann seconded, that the invoices be approved as presented and ordered paid. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

b) Poppy Days Proclamation- Mann moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the Council approve a request from the American Legion Auxiliary Post 11 and support the Mayor Proclaiming May 18-20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as Poppy Days in the City of Wakefield.

c) Surplus Equipment- Granato moved, Tarro seconded, that the City declare a pick-up truck and line truck as surplus equipment and advertise for bids. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

d) 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget- The proposed 2017-18 Fiscal Year Budget was presented to the Council. Granato moved, Mann seconded, CARRIED, that the council continue to meet to review the draft 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget and schedule a Public Hearing for June 12, 2017 meeting to hear comments.

e) Budget Worksession- Granato moved, Wiita seconded, CARRIED, that the Council table scheduling a worksession to finalize the City's 2017-18 Fiscal Year Budget until the required tax information is received from Gogebic County.

f) Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District Request- Tarro moved, Granato seconded, that the Council donate the use of the pavilion to the GOISD on June 9, 2017. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

h) City Managers Report- 1) Community Garden- The Council and public were informed that the City received a \$2,500 contribution from the West Michigan Chapter of the Project Management Institute for beginning the development of the Community Garden. The Michigan Tech Students who entered the Community Garden Project won the State Competition. A lengthy discussion took place on the Community Garden.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT Jim Favero commented on the Eddy Park Campground opening date and work in the campground; Marsha Vestich commented on the Office Assistant and Hydrant Flushing; Terry Fetters commented on the Recycling efforts of the City residents and reiterated that Recycling is free at the Transfer Station.

ADJOURNMENT Mann moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the meeting adjourn at 6:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

Approved: 5/22/2017

Joseph R. DeFavero  
Joseph R. DeFavero, Mayor  
Jennifer L. Jacobson  
Jennifer L. Jacobson, City Clerk

A regular meeting of the Wakefield City Council was held on Monday, May 22, 2017 at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Wakefield Municipal Building with Mayor DelFavero presiding and leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL Present: Councilmembers Wiita, Mann, DelFavero, Tarro, and Granato  
CALL Absent: None  
Also Present: Richard Brackney, City Manager; and approximately 14 guests

CONSENT a) May 8, 2017 regular City Council meeting minutes; b) April  
AGENDA 20, 2017 regular Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority meeting minutes; c) April 13, 2017 regular Gogebic Range Water Authority meeting minutes; d) April 26, 2017 regular Gogebic County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes; and e) April 2017 Expense and Income Report. Granato moved, Wiita seconded, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

BRIEF Mayor DelFavero commented on the excellent turnout for the Spring  
PUBLIC May 19 and 20, 2017 clean-up.  
COMMENT

APPROVAL Granato moved, Mann seconded, CARRIED, that the Agenda be approved  
OF THE as presented.  
AGENDA

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FINISHED None  
BUSINESS

NEW a) May (Partial) 2017 Invoices- Mann moved, Granato seconded,  
BUSINESS that the invoices be approved as presented and ordered paid.  
Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

b) Wakefield-Marenisco Golf Scramble Donation Request- Tarro moved, Mann seconded, CARRIED, that the Council approve a request from the Wakefield-Marenisco School Athletic Fund Golf Tournament to donate two \$50.00 of camping certificates for their June 10, 2017 event.

c) Buttercup Popcorn Wagon Request- Tarro moved, Wiita seconded, that the Council authorize Mrs. ToniAnn Anderson to put the Buttercup Popcorn Wagon in Eddy Park and waive the \$3.00 per day vendor fee. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

d) Wakefield Housing Commission Appointment- Granato moved, Mann seconded, CARRIED, that the Council publish a notice in the Wakefield News/Bessemer Pick and Axe requesting letters of interest for the Wakefield Housing Commission Board.

e) Summer Youth- Because of Language in the City's Charter pertaining to nepotism, Granato moved, Mann seconded, that the Council hire Nick Tarro for the summer months. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote, except Tarro, who abstained. The Council was informed that the Department of Human Services has funding available to provide 1 summer youth and a few adult workers for the City through the Michigan Rehabilitation Services Work Force Program. Granato moved, Tarro seconded, that the Council authorize the hiring of 5 summer youth workers (including Mr. Tarro) for the Summer Months.

f) AEP Conference- Mann moved, Wiita seconded, that the Council authorize the City Manager and Councilmember Granato to attend an AEP Conference in Eau Claire, WI on June 8 and 9, 2017. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote, except Granato, who abstained.

g) Fourth of July Celebration Donations- Wiita moved, Tarro seconded, that the Council donate \$1000 to the Wakefield Fireworks Committee and \$1000 to the Wakefield Fourth of July Committee (\$500 Township share/\$1,500 City share), which is part of the Wakefield City/Township Services Agreement and authorize the City Staff to assist in completing the required Fireworks display permits. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

h) MML Annual Dues- Mann moved, Granato seconded, that the Council approve a \$1,977.00 invoice from the Michigan Municipal League for the City's annual Membership Dues. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

i) City Manager's Report- 1) Eddy Park Donation- The City received a \$250 donation from Mr. Jim Wourinen, Section 12 Automotive, to be used towards Eddy Park Improvements; 2) Gogebic County Land Bank- The City Manager informed the Council that he and the Clerk signed a release of interest for the City to obtain a vacant lot on the 1300 block of Hancock Street to be used for Public Interest, which would allow the County Land Bank to sell the vacant lot outright; 3) Spring Clean up- The City Manager recapped the 2017 Spring Clean-up, in which the City and Township combined efforts collected over 4,000 tires and many tons of debris from our residents. It was a very successful event and many people expressed gratitude to the City and Township for hosting a Clean-up.

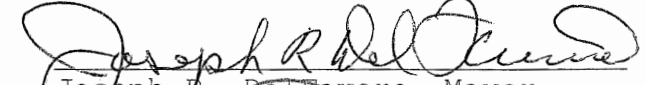
EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT Clerk Jennifer Jacobson informed the Council and Public that the Wakefield Fire Department presented two \$250 scholarships to Wakefield-Marenisco Seniors Easton Hamel and Darienne Korpi during


the W-M Honor's Assembly earlier in the day. Marcia Jurakovich commented on the Sewer System near her house and vendor permits. Councilmember Pat Mann commented on the Campground rates and reservation rules. Andy Hill commented on the Eddy Park signs for Dogs and Bicycles. Jerry Anderson commented on a water leak on his property.

ADJOURN- Mann moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the meeting adjourn  
MENT at 6:26 P.M.

Approved: 6/12/17

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

  
Joseph R. DeFavero, Mayor

  
Jennifer L. Jacobson, City Clerk