

A regular meeting of the Wakefield City Council was held on Monday, February 13, 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, Mann, and Granato
CALL Absent: None
Also Present: Richard Brackney, City Manager; Velda Scalfani, Revitalization Committee; and 27 guests.

CONSENT a) January 23, 2017 regular City Council meeting minutes; b)
AGENDA January 3, 2017 regular Planning Commission meeting minutes; c)
December 28, 2016, January 11 & 25, 2017 Gogebic County Board of
Commissioners meeting minutes; and e) January 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.

APPROVAL Granato moved, Mann seconded, CARRIED, that the Agenda be
OF THE amended to add New Business item j) MML Capital Conference.
AGENDA

BRIEF A comment to address the Council and public during New Business
PUBLIC item f) Castile Property/Anderson Request/Ritter Letter, was heard
COMMENT by Mr. Jim Engel.

UNFIN- a) Maria Lane Paving- Granato moved, Mann Seconded, that the Coun-
FINISHED cil accept Coleman Engineering's \$11,900 proposal to proceed with
BUSINESS plans to pave Maria Lane in Spring 2017. Motion CARRIED, all voting
yes by roll call vote.

b) Municipal Infraction Ordinance- A draft Municipal Infraction
Ordinance was presented to the Council for review. Granato moved,
Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the Council present the proposed
ordinance to the Planning Commission for review and input prior to
holding the First Reading and scheduling of a Public Hearing.

c) City Building Evaluation/Engineering Proposals- Two engineering
proposals were received by the February 9, 2017 deadline to provide
architectural recommendations for the Municipal Building, City
Library and former change house facility in Eddy Park. Granato
moved, Tarro seconded, CARRIED, that the City Manager be authorized
to schedule interviews with each firm.

NEW a) Wakefield Fire Department Donation Request- Granato moved,
BUSINESS Wiita seconded, that the Council donate two \$50.00 off camping
certificates for the 8th Annual Ice Fishing Contest. Motion
CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

b) Civil Service Commission Appointment- Granato moved, Wiita
seconded, CARRIED, that the Council approve the Mayor's appointment
of Mr. Jim Engel to the vacant three year term on the Wakefield
Civil Service Commission with his term beginning immediately and
terminating on December 31, 2019.

- c) Regional Hospice Requests- Polar Plunge- Granato moved, Mann seconded, that the Council allow Regional Hospice Services to use the City's Park Facilities and authorize the Wakefield Crew and Volunteer Fire Department to assist in the March 25, 2017 Polar Plunge efforts. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. Blood Pressure Screen- Wiita moved, Tarro seconded, that the Council authorize the donation of the City's Event Room as needed for Regional Hospice to conduct blood pressure clinics on the second Wednesday of each month from 12:00-1:00 pm. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.
- d) January (final) and February (partial) 2017 Invoices- Mann moved, Wiita seconded, that the invoices be approved as presented and ordered paid. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.
- e) Revitalization Committee Update- Ms. Velda Scalfani, Committee representative discussed a number of Revitalization Committee updates and purchases. After a lengthy discussion on the proposed placement of the new Welcome to Wakefield sign, Granato moved, DelFavero seconded, CARRIED, that the City move the existing brick flower box to another location and place the new sign near the Sunday Lake spillway. Tarro moved, Granato seconded, that the Council authorize the City Crew to water the main street flower boxes during the Summer months with use of the Revitalization Committees watering canister. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.
- f) Castile Property/Anderson Request/Ritter Letter- Mr. Jim Engel addressed concerns himself and Mr. Rod Ritter have on the City transferring ownership of Section 10 property where they developed snowshoe trails and proposed bike trails. Based on a Planning Commission recommendation, Granato moved, Mann seconded, that the City approve exchanging land described as Lots 77, 78, and all but the west 10 feet of Lot 79 in the City's Castile Plat with Mr. Jeffrey Anderson for Lot 9 in the City's Original Plat. Motion CARRIED; all voting yes by roll call vote.
- g) City Utility Rates- A brief update was given on a discussion that took place at a Council Worksession while reviewing the City's Utility Rates and services provided. Granato moved, Mann seconded, CARRIED, that the Council table action on utility rates for further review and discussion. After a lengthy discussion, Granato moved, Mann seconded, that the Council authorize the City Manager to contact Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management to obtain a proposal for them to collect garbage within the City. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.
- h) ORV/Snowmobile Club Letters of Support- Granato moved, Wiita seconded, CARRIED, that the Council authorize the City Manager to write a letter of support for their efforts to develop a designated Rail to Trail Multi-use Trail system from Marenisco to Wakefield.

i) Council Worksession- Granato moved, Wiita seconded, CARRIED, that the Council schedule a worksession for 3:30 P.M. on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 to hear a presentation on the City's Medical Benefit Package from Jennifer Michelin, Health Insurance Consultant and discuss City Policies.

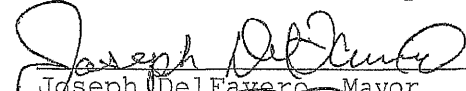
j) MML Capital Conference- Granato moved, Tarro seconded, that the Council authorize the City Manager, City Councilmembers and one Planning Commission member to attend the MML Capital Conference on March 21, 2017 and March 22, 2017 in Lansing, Michigan. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

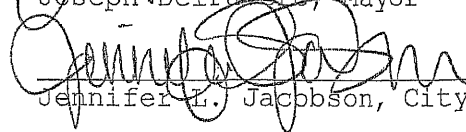
EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT Councilmember Mann commented on the Park Sign covers; Mike Singleton commented on potential changes in Garbage services; Bob Blaskowski commented on having visual aids available during meetings; Neil Londo commented on sewer issues; Bob Lane commented on the City's website; and Andy Hill commented on marijuana.

ADJOURNMENT Tarro moved, Mann seconded, CARRIED, that the meeting adjourn at 7:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

Approved: 2/27/2017



Joseph DelFavero, Mayor


Jennifer L. Jacobson, City Clerk

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 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.


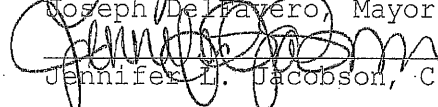
EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT Neil Londo commented on garbage and mentioned the Beaver dams that are located west of Sunday Lake.

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. DelFavero 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.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

Approved: 3/13/2017


Joseph DelFavero, Mayor

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