

### Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on May 27, 2008 at 5:30 P.M., along with Public Hearings at 5:15 P.M. in the Commission Chambers, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood, Michigan

1. Mayor Noren opened the Public Hearing at 5:15 P.M.
2. Public Hearing: To hear comment regarding Ordinance No. 468, Book 4 an Ordinance adopting and enacting a new Chapter to regulate sexually oriented businesses, Chapter 35, Code of Ordinances, City of Ironwood, Michigan, and providing when this ordinance shall be effective.

Community Development Director Dan Petersen addressed the City Commission with a power point presentation regarding the proposed Ordinance No. 468, Book 4 and Ordinance adopting and enacting a new Chapter to regulate sexually oriented businesses. Director Petersen mentioned notices were sent out to everyone within 300 feet of this area. He further stated he believes this is a zoning issue and it is important to have a formal direction from the City Commission to the Planning Commission to move forward and place this in the Zoning Ordinance instead of its own Chapter. Community Development Director Petersen noted no one has approached the City to open this type of business, but the City of Ironwood should plan, because that is what planning is all about. Further discussion of this matter took place.

Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Behrendt, of 439 W. Ash Street expressed dismay with the selected area and stated they do not want it in their back yard. Further comments were received.

3. Mayor Noren closed the Public Hearing 5:37 P.M.
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- A. Mayor Noren called the meeting to Order at 5:37 P.M.
- B. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioner Burchell, Laabs, Lamb, Toth, and Mayor Noren.  
ABSENT: None.

- C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.\*

- \*1) Approval of Minutes – May 12<sup>th</sup> Regular City Commission Meeting.
- \*2) Review and Place on File:
  - a) Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency Meeting Minutes of April 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - b) Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Special Work Session of May 8<sup>th</sup>.
- \*3) Approve word change from “Equalized” to “Taxable” on the ballot language for the Pat O’Donnell Civic Center for the upcoming August 5, 2008 Primary.
- \*4) Schedule Budget Public Hearing for June 9, 2008 at 5:15 P.M. to hear comment relative to the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Proposed Budget, Schedule of Rates for the City Services and the Property Tax Millage Rate levied to support proposed Budget.

*Motion was made by Lamb, seconded by Burchell to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- D. Receive and Place on File from Finance Director.
  1. Statement of Revenue & Expenditures.
  2. Monthly Cash Reports.

*Motion was made by Lamb, seconded by Burchell, and carried to approve the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures for month ending April 2008 and to receive and place on file the Monthly Cash Report.*

E. Approval of the Agenda.

*Motion was made by Lamb, supported by Burchell and carried to amend the Agenda as presented to include item L1. Discuss Recreation Committee Request.*

F. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

Amanda Sprague, of 949 S. Hemlock Street requested to address the City Commission under item I.

#### OLD BUSINESS

G. Discuss and Consider adopting Ordinance No. 465, Book 4, an Ordinance to vacate Sepplan Street east of First National Street and the alley that runs north and south and bisects Blocks 1 and 2 of Assessor's Plat No. 13.

*Motion was made by Toth, seconded by Laabs adopting Ordinance No. 465, Book 4, an Ordinance to vacate Sepplan Street east of First National Street and the alley that runs north and south and bisects Blocks 1 and 2 of Assessor's Plat No. 13. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

H. Discuss and Consider adopting Ordinance No. 466, Book 4, an Ordinance re-zoning 501 Wilson Street from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-3 (Highway Commercial).

*Motion was made by Burchell, seconded by Lamb adopting Ordinance No. 466, Book 4, and Ordinance re-zoning 501 Wilson Street from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-2 (Highway Commercial). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

I. Discuss and Consider adopting Ordinance No. 467, Book 4 an Ordinance establishing a R-1 (Single Family Residential) overlay for the following C-3 (Highway Commercial) parcels:  
\*619 E. Cloverland Drive  
\*623 E. Cloverland Drive  
\*625 E. Cloverland Drive

City Attorney Cossi requested item "I" be postponed until a plan could be submitted. A brief discussion took place. Mayor Noren suggested a discussion take place to help the homeowners understand what is needed to complete the process. Further comments were received.

Amanda Sprague addressed the City Commission expressing her dismay with the delay in handling Mr. & Mrs. Steven Buda's request to rezone their property.

Information was provided to Mr. & Mrs. Buda and they were informed once they complete the necessary documents according to the ordinance it would be placed back on the agenda for approval.

No action on this matter took place.

J. Consider approval of contract with Globe Industries to purchase city owned waste mine rock located at the compost site for a two year period at \$ .50 per cubic yard.

Motion was made by Noren, seconded by Lamb to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney Cossi to modify the above-mentioned contract to include a reasonable payment schedule and a reasonable method of determining the estimated amount of material at no cost to the City of Ironwood. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

K. Manager's Report

City Clerk Karen Gullan verbally gave the manager's report noting the following:

- \*Public Hearing on Monday, June 9, 2008 at 5:15 P.M. to adopt the 2008-09 Fiscal Year Budget. The Budget and a schedule of Rates for City Services is available in the City Clerk's Office during normal business hours.
- \*A Recreational/Cultural/Life Enrichment Committee Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, June 2, 2008, 6:00 P.M.
- \*Members of the DIDA and City staff met with a representative from MSHDA recently to discuss the city's blueprint. They went on a tour of the downtown, Ironwood Theatre, the Depot and some businesses. The City of Ironwood is looking forward to the end of June to see if they are included in the next round of Blueprint communities.
- \*Planning Commission Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at 5:30 P.M.
- \*Congratulated William Olkonen on obtaining his Waterworks System Operator Classification S-4 Certificate.

L. Other Matters (Five Minute Limit).

Community Development Director Dan Petersen noted he would discuss the Buda Property PUD application with the Ironwood Planning Commission if Mr. & Mrs. Steven Buda's plan is submitted to the City by the time the Planning Commission's scheduled meeting on June 4, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

L1. Discuss Recreation Committee request.

Commissioner Suzanne Toth requested the Recreation Committee review the proposed site for the proposed Sexual Orientation District.

M. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda (Five Minute Limit).

Citizens expressed their concerns with dumping near the compost site and on Bonnie Road.

A request was received from John Kasieta, of 900 Wemple Street for another recycling dumpster at the old Trailer Factor or somewhere on the South side of town.

N. Adjournment.

***Motion*** was made by Toth, seconded by Lamb and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Bruce A. Noren, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk