



Minutes of the
City Commission for the City of Traverse City
Special Meeting
April 13, 2015

A special meeting of the City Commission of the City of Traverse City was called to order at the Commission Chambers, Governmental Center, 400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan, at 5:00 p.m.

The following Commissioners were present, constituting a quorum: Mayor Michael Estes, Mayor Pro Tem Barbara D. Budros, James Carruthers, Jeanine Easterday, Gary Howe, Ross Richardson, Tim Werner.

The following Commissioners were absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Michael Estes presided at the meeting.

Topics of Discussion:

Moved by Easterday, seconded by Richardson, to suspend Rule 11(a) to modify the Agenda to add the following item "Consideration of a revised process for City Manager interviews, as recommended by the City Commission Ad Hoc Committee for City Manager recruitment.

CARRIED unanimously.

1.

Consideration of a revised process for City Manager interviews, as recommended by the City Commission Ad Hoc Committee for City Manager recruitment.

The following addressed the Commission:

Benjamin Marentette, City Clerk
Jamie Caroffino, Human Resources Generalist

Mayor Pro Tem Barbara Budros announced that she was recusing herself from the discussion and vote.

Moved by Easterday, seconded by Richardson, that the revised candidate interview procedure dated April 13, 2015, for conducting interviews with candidates for City Manager approved on April 6, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED unanimously. (Budros abstained).

2.

Consideration of an amendment to the retainer agreement in connection with the dispute resolution process for the Clinch Park Waterscape to provide expert witness fees.

Moved by Budros, seconded by Werner, that the City Commission enter into closed session immediately following the public comment portion of the agenda to consider the written attorney-client privileged communication regarding the pending dispute resolution process with Hamilton Anderson associated with the Clinch Park Waterscape, as authorized by MCL 15.268(e).

Roll Call:

Yes - Carruthers, Easterday, Howe, Richardson, Werner,
Budros, Estes.

No - None.

CARRIED unanimously.

3.

The next item being "Public Comment," the following individuals addressed the Commission:

None.

The Commission entered into closed session at 5:22 p.m.

The Commission returned to open session at 5:55 p.m.

Moved by Budros, seconded by Richardson, that the Mayor and City Clerk execute an amendment to the Retention Agreement with Foley, Baron, Metzger & Juip, PLLC (originally authorized September 2, 2014), to provide expert witness fees in the amount of \$26,500 to Baird Associates and \$7,035 to Water Technologies, Inc., in connection with the dispute resolution process with Hamilton Anderson for the Clinch Park Waterscape, with funds available in the Capital Projects Fund.

There being no objection, Mayor Estes declared the meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm.

Benjamin C Marentette, MMC
City Clerk

Approved: _____, _____
(Date) (Initials)