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## IRON RIVER CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, April 15, 2026 5:15 PM AGENDA

### 1. Call to Order

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

### 3. Roll Call

### 4. Approval of Agenda

### 5. Approval of Minutes:

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### 6. Public Comment (Regarding Items on the Agenda) –Each public comment is limited to three (3) minutes, which will begin when the speaker approaches the podium.

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Any violation of Public Comment Procedures shall constitute a breach of the peace. If a member of the public engages in such breach of the peace, they may be ordered to be seated immediately, or removed from the meeting, by the Mayor.

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I, Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk for the City of Iron River do hereby certify the above agenda was posted in the Iron River City Hall on Friday, April 10, 2026, at 4:10 p.m. in accordance with Michigan Open Meetings Act.

  
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 Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**IRON RIVER CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, March 18, 2026  
5:15 PM  
Minutes**

Mayor Rodney Dood called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Iron River City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call –Anthony Clements, Martha Burdick, Ronjo Leonoff and Dood.  
Absent: Dennis Powell.

Also, Present – City Manager Rachel Andreski, City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas, Interim City Attorney Hannah L. Goodman, Officer Tyler Robbins, Mark Polley, Karen Knopp, Ethan Amerson, Seth Miotech (WICKWIRE) Timm Ballinger, Zach Hautala (ICECA), Nicole Desentz, Jared Stauber, Kelly Butler, Erica Adams, James and Naomi Welch, Jon Zawislak, Dave Sankey, Wendy Graham (The Reporter), Tony, Georgie and Jacob Tomasoki, and Steven Saunders (DPW).

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Leonoff moved with support from Clements to approve the agenda with the addition of Item H – 2024 Hazard Mitigation Grant – Phase 1.  
All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Powell.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

Leonoff moved with support from Clements to approve the February 11, 2026, Work Session Meeting Minutes as presented. All were in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Powell.

Leonoff moved with support from Clements to approve the February 18, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes with the amendment of the “Work Session” to “Regular Meeting.” All were in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Powell.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Timothy Ballinger submitted a proposal regarding public comment.

Mark Polley asked again if there is a policy regarding the officer’s leaving the City limits. He asked if the Officers are allowed to respond to calls outside of the City limits.

Mayor Dood explained that the City of Iron River’s officers are not deputized, which means they are not to respond outside of city limits unless they are requested to.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Leonoff moved with support from Burdick to receive and file the Consent Agenda items which included the following:

- October 20, 2025, DDA Regular Meeting Minutes
- December 15, 2025, DDA Regular Meeting Minutes
- December 9, 2025, Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
- December 15, 2025, Planning Commission Work Session Minutes

All were in favor; Motion carried. Absent: Powell.

## **REPORTS**

### **IRPD Report**

Clements moved with support from Leonoff to accept the IRPD Report as written. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Powell.

### **DPW REPORT**

Saunders explained that the DPW has been busy with snow fall and will continue to clean up from the winter storm.

Clements moved with support from Leonoff to accept the DPW Report as presented. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Powell.

### **ICECA Report**

- Visitor Guides – Hautala noted that 20,000 copies were printed and will be distributed through out Iron County, the UP and Northern Wisconsin.
- Newsletter – Hautala explained that they have started up the newsletter and for members to reach out if they didn't receive one.

Clements moved with support from Burdick to accept the ICECA Report as presented. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Powell.

### **COUNTY OF IRON**

Not in attendance.

### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Interim City Attorney Goodman stated that she had been working on Planning Commission Bylaws and has worked on a deed for city property that sold.

Leonoff moved with support from Burdick to accept the Attorney's Report as presented. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: Powell.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Appropriation Request – Andreski stated that the city has submitted to Senator Gary Peter's office as well as Elissa Slotkin's office. She also thanked WICKWIRE for their in-kind service, helping to apply for the grant.
- Thank you – Andreski expressed appreciation to the DPW, local businesses and residents for helping each other in with the big storm. She was pleased and happy with the DPW and their hard work.

Clements moved with support from Leonoff to accept the Manager's Report as presented. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Powell.

### **WINDSOR CENTER/JOINT BUILDING REPORT MINUTES**

Leonoff detailed that the Windsor Center needs a new boiler, which could cost anywhere from 110,000 – 120,000.

Clements moved with support from Burdick to accept the Windsor Center/Joint Building Report as presented. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Powell.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

#### **City Financial Report – February 2026**

Leonoff moved with support from Clements to accept the City Financial Report for February 2026. Roll Call: Ayes – 4: Burdick, Clements Leonoff and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion carried.

**Accounts Payable Report – February 2026**

Leonoff moved with support from Clements to accept the Accounts Payable Report for February 2026. Roll Call: Ayes – 4: Burdick, Clements, Leonoff and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion carried.

**City Attorney Invoice – February 2026**

Leonoff moved with support from Clements to accept the Attorney Invoice for February in the amount of \$1,096.03. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Burdick, Clements, Leonoff and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Renewal for Marihuana Establishment License – The Fire Station, LLC**

Clements moved with support from Leonoff to approve the Renewal for Marihuana Establishment License – The Fire Station, LLC. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Burdick, Leonoff, Clements and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion Carried.

**Resolution to Place Millage Language on August Ballot – Windsor Center**

Clements moved with support from Burdick to adopt the Resolution to Place Millage Language on August Ballot – Windsor Center. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Leonoff, Clements, Burdick and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion Carried.

**Proposal for Professional Engineering Services – 2026 Street Improvements Project – Construction Services – WICKWIRE, P.C.**

Leonoff moved with support from Burdick to accept the Proposal for Professional Engineering Services – 2026 Street Improvements Project – Construction Services – WICKWIRE, P.C. in the amount of \$37,800.00. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Clements, Burdick, Leonoff and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion Carried.

**Proposal for Professional Engineering Services for the 2026 Wellhouse Watermain Replacement Project**

Clements moved with support from Leonoff to accept the Proposal for Professional Engineering Services for the 2026 Wellhouse Watermain Replacement Project in the amount of \$4,500.00. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Burdick, Leonoff, Clements and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion carried.

**Acceptance of Counteroffer to Purchase Current City Hall**

Leonoff moved with support from Clements to accept the Counteroffer to Purchase Current City Hall as written. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Burdick, Clements, Leonoff and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion Carried.

**Budget Amendments Set #2**

Clements moved with support from Leonoff to accept the Budget Amendments Set #2. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Burdick, Leonoff, Clements and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion Carried.

**Pav Request No. 1 New City Hall -Ponchaud Contracting**

Clements moved with support from Burdick to approve the Pay Request No. 1 New City Hall – Ponchaud Contracting in the amount of \$69,000.00. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Leonoff, Clements, Burdick and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion Carried.

#### **2024 Hazard Mitigation Grant – Phase 1**

Leonoff moved with support from Clements to approve the 2024 Hazard Mitigation Grant – Phase 1 in the amount of \$11,250.00. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Burdick, Clements, Leonoff and Dood. Nays – 0. Absent: Powell. Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mark Polley expressed his dismay over the new City Hall. He expressed his concerns over the Iron River Police Department and its' leadership.

James Welch expressed his concerns over the snow removal near his business.

Jon Zawislak asked the city to investigate using a brine solution on the roads. He also expressed his dislike over the sale of City Hall.

Dave Sankey pleaded to get the city plows out earlier or to have the city take down the parking ban signs.

Erika Adams explained she is not a resident of the city, as she lives in Caspian. She stated that the snow removal for Iron River is terrible this year.

Nicole Desentz expressed her disapproval of snow removal, stating Singler Street hasn't been plowed this season. She also expressed concern over Officer Wicklund.

Timm Ballinger asked that the October meeting minutes be amended and noted that he is here to criticize. He would like to see Mayor Dood removed.

#### **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMETS**

Dood explained that if he doesn't answer a citizen's comment, it's because he must do research first. He thanked the DPW for their hard work. He also stated that he agrees with the plowing and the DPW needs to get out earlier. Dood stated that he has had conversations with the City Manager, and he hopes it changes soon otherwise "jobs will end." Dood stated that he will investigate Singler Street and investigate Officer Wicklund's actions.

Leonoff also thanked the DPW, but also extended thanks to Caspian, Gaastra and the County Road Commission.

Burdick also stated that the DPW should be out earlier and plowing when there is less traffic.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dood moved with support from Clements to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 p.m. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: Powell.

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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, January 19, 2026  
12:15 P.M.**

Chairperson Kelly Dvorak called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Roll Call: Terry Tarsi, Dawn Sageng, Dennis Powell, Ed Lindwall, Greg Scott, Mark Saigh and Dvorak.

Absent: Jay Aldrich

Also Present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public in Attendance – None.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Saigh moved with support from Powell to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried. Absent: Aldrich.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Tarsi moved with support from Scott to approve December 15, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: Aldrich.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**REPORTS**

**City Manager**

- Parking Lot Improvement - Andreski stated that she met with a landscape architect, who is willing to donate his time to come up with a couple of plans for the berms in the parking lots. Once the plans are received, Andreski will bring them to the DDA for them to decide how to move forward.
- DDA Vacancy – Andreski informed the Authority that Benjamin Garcia is interested in joining the DDA. His application will go in front of the City Council later this week, where they will decide on his appointment.

**Facade Committee**

Andreski informed the Committee that she submitted a letter to the owner of the Liminal Restaurant and Lounge regarding the denial of her reimbursement request as well as the business, and thus far, had not heard anything in return.

**Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance (ICECA)**

Not in attendance.

**Beautification Committee**

Andreski stated that there was nothing to report as they had not met. Scott inquired about who is a part of the Beautification Committee. Andreski stated that she and one other individual are part of the Committee, although there is interest from other individuals.

### **Christmas Lights**

Scott stated that the committee needs to get together. The committee will consist of Scott, Sageng, Aldrich and Andreski. Scott believes when it comes time to purchase upgrades, it will be cheaper to do so in the off season.

Scott noted that the electric bill to power the snowflakes will come out of the DDA budget. He added that a way to save would be to convert the remaining snowflakes to LED.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Saigh moved with support from Tarsi to approve the December 2025 Financial Report as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes – 7: Sageng, Powell, Lindwall, Scott, Tarsi, Saigh and Dvorak. Nays: 0. Absent – 1: Aldrich. Motion carried.

Lindwall moved with support from Powell to approve the December 2025 Accounts Payable Report as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes – 7: Tarsi, Sageng, Scott, Saigh, Powell, Lindwall and Dvorak. Nays: 0 Absent – 1: Aldrich. Motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

Sageng nominated Dvorak as Chairperson and Scott as Vice Chairperson (no change). Powell supported the nominations and Dvorak and Scott accepted.

Roll Call: Ayes – 7: Tarsi, Powell, Lindwall, Saigh, Scott, Sageng and Dvorak. Nays: 0 Absent – 1: Aldrich. Motion carried.

### **2026 Meeting Schedule**

It was discussed that it would be best to keep the meetings scheduled for the third Monday of each month, even if there is a holiday. It was also noted that there will be no meeting in July or November. The time will remain the same.

Sageng moved with support from Tarsi to approve the 2026 meeting schedule with the noted changes. Motion Carried. Absent – 1: Aldrich.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **DDA MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Tarsi moved with support from Dvorak to adjourn the meeting at 12:36 p.m. Motion carried. Absent: Aldrich.

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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, February 16, 2026  
12:15 P.M.**

Chairperson Kelly Dvorak called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Roll Call: Jay Aldrich, Terry Tarsi, Ed Lindwall, Mark Saigh, Greg Scott, Benjamin Garcia (arrived late 12:20 P.M.) and Dvorak.

Absent: Dennis Powell and Dawn Sageng.

Also Present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public in Attendance – Zach Hautala (ICECA).

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Tarsi moved with support from Scott to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried. Absent: Powell and Sageng.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Saigh moved with support from Scott to approve January 19, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: Powell and Sageng.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **REPORTS**

#### **City Manager**

- Baumgartner Parade – Andreski stated that this will be low key this time around, as Nick Baumgartner did not medal this year. The tentative date when he will return to Iron River will be the 23<sup>rd</sup> or the 24<sup>th</sup> of February. There will be a small parade from the bottom of Stambaugh Hill, then up to the school. There will be a pep rally at the school following the parade.
- MDOT Local Bridge – Andreski explained that MDOT is funding the program again this year with an April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. The city is responsible for 100% of engineering costs - \$87,000 and minimum of a 20% match – \$87,000 with construction cost of \$417,000. Grant submittal deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup> for the FY2029 round with an estimated grant budget of \$50M.
- New City Hall – Andreski stated that construction has started, the block has been removed, and the shrubs have been removed. City Council approved the upgrades to the building, where the block will be replaced with siding and a smaller window.
- MDOT Category B – Bid were received and opened. They are promising and came in lower than engineering estimates. The bids will be presented to the City Council on Wednesday for their approval.
- T-Mobile Hometown Grant – This grant is given every quarter, for up to 25 small towns with a maximum grant of \$50,000 for shovel ready projects. The Nelson Field Lighting Project would be a great project submittal as it meets their criteria. March 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for applying.

### Facade Committee

Nothing to report.

### Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance (ICECA)

- Business After Hours – Hautala invited the Authority to attend the next BAH, which is hosted by WICKWIRE and Thrivant at Kermit's. He noted that there were 6 BAH in 2025.
- Visitor Guides – Hautala stated that 20,000 copies were printed and will be distributed through out Iron County, the UP and Northern Wisconsin. He thanked the DDA for their full-page ad on page 36.

### Beautification Committee

Andreski stated Martha Rypstra (Taproot Community Farms LLC) and Emily Bieghler would like to be involved with selecting and planting the berms. Andreski also met with a landscape architect, who will be submitting his plans to her so she may present them to the Authority.

### Christmas Lights

Nothing to Report.

## **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Lindwall moved with support from Saigh to approve the January 2026 Financial Report as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes – 7: Aldrich, Tarsi, Scott, Garcia, Saigh, Lindwall and Dvorak. Nays: 0. Absent – 2: Powell and Sageng. Motion carried.

Garcia moved with support from Lindwall to approve the January 2026 Accounts Payable Report as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes – 7: Aldrich, Tarsi, Scott, Saigh, Lindwall, Garcia and Dvorak. Nays: 0 Absent – 2: Powell and Sageng. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## **DDA MEMBER COMMENTS**

Garcia inquired when the ICECA would need the dated for upcoming events, to have them published in the Visitors Guide. Hautala stated January is the latest. He also asked if an ordinance would need to be drafted to enforce the dumpsters going into the caddies that were installed.

Andreski stated that she plans on writing letters once the weather lets up.

Tarsi inquired about the Global Response Building and what the intentions are with it. Andreski explained that the Council has decided to put it out on bids, they have started bid prices based on whether it's just the building, or the building with the generator. Interim City Attorney Goodman will begin drafting up the bid proposal.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Tarsi moved with support from Dvorak to adjourn the meeting at 12:36 p.m. Motion carried.  
Absent: Powell and Sageng.

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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

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**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, February 12, 2026  
9 AM  
Minutes**

Vice Chair Michael Poindexter called the meeting to order at 9 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Adrienne Baker, Rodney Dood, Jacob Pietrzak, Mike Hoinowski (left at 10:16 a.m.), and Poindexter.

Absent: Byczek.

Also present: City Manager Rachel Andreski, City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas and Interim City Attorney Hannah L. Goodman.

Public in attendance: Timm Ballinger, Ray Coates and Chief Curt Harrington.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Hoinowski motioned with support from Baker to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Byczek.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

Baker motioned with support from Hoinowski to approve:

- December 9, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes
- December 15, 2025, Work Session Minutes

All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: Byczek.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Timm Ballinger expressed his concerns with potential conflicts to the appointment of Mayor Dood to the Commission.

**Manager's Report**

- Winter – Andreski noted that we have had a busy winter with lots of snow to clean up. The DPW has been hard at work keeping the mains clear and parking lots accessible.
- MDOT Local Bridge Program – Andreski stated that the Genesee Bridge is entering its end of life and will need to be repaired. She noted that the grant is a 20 percent match, which would bring the city's contributions to \$87,000. The grant will be presented to City Council for their approval at the next city council meeting.
- MDNR Conversion – Andreski gave an update, stating the land split has been completed and now we are waiting on the agreement.
- Category B Grant – Andreski stated that bids were opened February 11<sup>th</sup> and both were very good. These bids will be presented to Council at the next meeting.
- T-Mobile Hometown Grant – Andreski stated that this grant is for shovel ready projects within small communities. This would be a perfect grant for the Nelson Field Lighting Project, and it could cover a portion of what is needed to finish the lighting upgrades.
- Goals and Priorities – Andreski stated that last night, the Council held their annual goals and priorities meeting. She believes that she has a good direction as to what to prioritize. She

noted that Blight, selling the current city hall and selling the newly acquired Global Response are high priorities.

- CIP – Andreski noted that the City purchased a Western Star Plow Truck for approximately \$38,000, and it will be put into rotation with our fleet.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Rental Registration and Inspection Ordinance**

After some discussion, it was decided that a work session would be held on February 26, 2026, at 9 a.m.

### **Food Truck Ordinance**

Andreski updated the Commission stating that there is currently HB 5451 that is being worked on in congress. This bill, if passed, may prohibit municipalities from collecting fees from food trucks. The bill would require all food trucks to be inspected and issued a QR code which would show compliance.

Interim City Attorney Goodman stated that the Commission can still work on the ordinance, but advised to use language like, “may” when it comes to collecting a fee. She noted that provisions may be added.

Hoinowski suggested not restricting the distance, as it makes for some healthy competition. Dood noted that having the distance stipulation helps prevent those who didn’t pay vendor fees from taking up spots of those who did pay the vendor fees.

Interim City Attorney Goodman stated that a color-coded map could be implemented, to help reduce conflict over placement. She also noted that number seven is a good provision and suggested keeping it.

Andreski noted that number seven and number eleven need to be worked on, to complete the ordinance.

Pietrzak motioned with the support of Poindexter to table the Food Truck Ordinance until next meeting and directed the Commissioners to do their homework and take notes regarding updating the language on the Ordinance.

### **CY2025 Annual Report**

Andreski stated that the Annual Report is due to Council. Baker asked whether there had been a resolution regarding the disputed Home Occupation permit that was awarded and documented in the Annual Report. Andreski explained that the Home Occupation permit application was submitted prior to the adoption of the new Zoning Ordinance; however, the new Zoning Ordinance no longer requires a permit for Home Occupations. Poindexter stated that there was no need to amend the report, as it accurately reflects the events that occurred and the Home Occupation did take place. Hoinowski motioned with the support of Pietrzak to recommend sending the Annual Report to the City Council. Roll Call: Ayes: 5 – Baker, Dood, Pietrzak, Hoinowski and Poindexter. Nays: 0. Absent: Byczek.

### **Update Bylaws**

Andreski stated that there was some confusion regarding the language in the bylaws related to quorum and voting requirements. The Planning Commission had asked that Interim City Attorney Goodman draft revisions to clarify and clean up the language.

Baker expressed concerns regarding board membership and what would constitute personal matters. She also voiced her dislike of the unexcused absence provision, stating that she preferred the language in the previous bylaws. Interim City Attorney Goodman explained that the former bylaws did not allow excused absences, whereas the revised language permits excused absences. Baker responded that when individuals join a board, they should be committed to attendance. She further noted that absences can prevent the board from conducting business.

Poindexter asked about the quorum. He referred to page 6 under "Meetings 5c" He liked how the members need was clear. He noted that regardless of vacancy 4 members are required for a quorum or two-thirds.

Interim City Attorney Goodman suggested the Commissioner's take their time and go through the bylaws and make changes as they see fit. Poindexter agreed, suggesting all have their notes at the next meeting in March.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Election of Chair**

Pietrzak moved with support from Baker to appoint Poindexter as Chair for the Planning Commission. Poindexter accepted the nomination. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Dood, Hoinowski, Baker and Pietrzak. Abstained: Poindexter. All in favor; Motion Carried.

Baker moved with support from Pietrzak to appoint Hoinowski as Vice Chair for the Planning Commission. Hoinowski accepted the nomination. Roll call: Ayes – 4: Dood, Pietrzak, Baker and Poindexter. Abstained: Hoinowski. All in favor; Motion Carried.

### **Set CY2026 Meeting Dates**

Hoinowski moved with support from Baker to accept the CY2026 Meeting Dates as presented. All in favor; Motion Carried.

### **Driveway Ordinance**

Andreski explained that when the new Zoning Ordinance was completed, it had come to her attention that the Driveway Ordinance was not included. She provided the Commissioners with the old language regarding driveways.

Pietrzak moved with support from Baker to accept the old Driveway Ordinance as presented and to have a public hearing before the next regularly scheduled meeting in March.

Roll call: Ayes – 5: Dood, Hoinowski, Baker, Pietrzak and Poindexter. Nays – 0. All in favor; Motion Carried.

### **Michigan Planner – American Planning Association**

Andreski stated that this publication is a great training tool that could be utilized by the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals members. She noted that this could be used for training credits as well.

Hoinowski moved with support from Baker to subscribe to the Michigan Planner in the amount of \$775.00. Roll Call: Ayes – 5: Dood, Pietrzak, Baker, Hoinowski and Poindexter. Nays – 0. All in favor; Motion Carried.

### **CY2027 CIP**

Andreski stated that the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) is currently a working draft and will be submitted to Council at the end of the year. She noted that additional streets may be added, as some streets have been moved to the 2026 CIP due to the MDOT Category B grant.

Baker inquired about the status of body cameras for the police department. Andreski explained that there is a semiannual fee exceeding \$5,000 associated with the program. As a result, the expense must be included in the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP), since any purchase over \$5,000 is required to be part of the CIP.

Dood noted that the Voting Tabulators had been added to the CIP. He explained that the State historically replaced the machines, but with the budget being volatile, there may be no funding.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Timm Ballinger again expressed his concerns with potential conflicts to the appointment of Mayor Dood to the Commission. He questioned the validity of the meeting, as he believes Mayor Dood's participation is a violation of the City Charter.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Hoinowski asked about the responsibilities of fire hydrants, noting that most are inaccessible. Andreski noted that former City Manager Perry Franzoi had started an "adopt a fire hydrant" program and it has fallen off to the wayside. Interim City Attorney

Baker asked about going into closed session regarding the appointment of Mayor Dood and its possible violation against the City Charter. She explained that she does not believe that we are in violation and saw that the mayor is allowed to sit on any board.

Poindexter stated that the Commission will investigate the validity of Mayor Doods appointment

Baker also emphasized the importance of ensuring that public comment is conducted in accordance with the agenda guidelines.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hoinowski with the support of Baker adjourned at 10:30 a.m. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Byczek and Hoinowski.

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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION WORK SESSION**  
**Thursday, February 26, 2026**  
**9 AM**  
**Minutes**

Chair Michael Poindexter called the meeting to order at 9 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Present: Rodney Dood, Jacob Pietrzak, Adrienne Baker and Poindexter.  
Absent: Robert Byczek and Mike Hoinowski.

Also present: City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public in attendance: None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**Rental Registration and Inspection Ordinance**

Poindexter suggested that the committee go through line-by-line and change as things arise.

In the definition section, discussion about the definition of "Building Official." It was decided that the term "Building Official" is to be strike and replaced with zoning administrator throughout the ordinance.

In the Registration section Baker noted a spelling error on A) (3.) The current ordinance states renal and should say "rental." There were other clerical errors with indentations on D.)

In the Inspection section, B) it was suggested that the part of the ending sentence be removed. The section to be omitted will be from "which is signed by a license residential building contractor or residential maintenance contractor that rental unit is in satisfactory condition."

Poindexter suggested that "annual" replace the three-year date initially in the ordinance.

Next Section G) item 3) was discussed. Poindexter suggested leaving an appropriate period of time up to the inspector. Baker suggested adding language stating, "false reports may be assessed a fee, up to the City's discretion." All agreed, this would help deter false complaints.

In Section 154.07 Fees, it was decided that the word "not" should be strike through in section A. Baker felt that it was important to make sure the City allows for partial year prorated rates. Poindexter suggested having the fee easily dividable by 12 to allow for rates for partial years.

Item 3 in the same section required a change in fee, which was set to \$50.00 for the first violation. Baker suggested that in Item 4, it clarified that a fee will be assessed if you are still in violation.

In Section 154.09 Enforcement Authority, the Planning Commission would like Interim City Attorney to look over the legality over who can issue an MCI. If an MCI is allowed to be issued by the Zoning Administrator, they would like it left as is.

In the same section under Item F, there were questions regarding what Michigan law classifies as "reasonable times." Dood stated that Michigan law states 24-hour notice. Baker suggested having Interim City Attorney Goodman investigate Michigan law and reference the law in the ordinance.

In Section 154.99 Penalty, it was decided that fines should be established by the City Council from time to time. It was requested that the City of Caspian's language regarding fines be provided to the Planning Commission for their review. It was asked that the Interim City Attorney Goodman look over Caspian's enforcement and see if it would be something our city could implement.

It was decided that the Planning Commission will pause at this point.

#### **Food Truck Ordinance**

Poindexter moved with the support of Dood to table the Food Truck Ordinance until the next meeting. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Byczek and Hoinowski.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### **Commissioner Comments**

The next work session was scheduled for March 26, 2026, at 9 AM, where they will further discuss the Rental Registration and the Food Truck Ordinance.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Baker with the support of Pietrzak adjourned at 10:39 a.m. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Byczek and Hoinowski.

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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, March 12, 2026  
9 AM  
Minutes  
AMENDED**

Vice Chair Michael Poindexter called the meeting to order at 9 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Adrienne Baker, Rodney Dood, Jacob Pietrzak, Mike Hoinowski, and Poindexter.  
Absent: Byczek.

Also present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas

Public in attendance: Timm Ballinger and Becky Flint (Northpointe Behavioral Healthcare System).

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Baker asked that the Driveway Ordinance be moved to Item A under Old Business. Baker motioned with support from Pietrzak to approve the agenda with the change to Old Business. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Byczek.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

Baker motioned with support from Dood to approve:

- February 12, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes
- February 26, 2026, Work Session Minutes with changes to the word "work and "free" under the Rental Registration paragraph.

All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: Byczek.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Timm Ballinger expressed his concerns with the Bylaws and how communications are handled from the public. He stated that all communications should be given to the Chair. He also stated his concerns regarding the potential conflicts with the appointment of Mayor Dood to the Commission.

**Manager's Report**

- CIP – Andreski noted that there was an unexpected water main leak at Wellhouse 1 and 2. The leak has been addressed and fixed in compliance with EGLE. It was determined that when the water line was initially installed, the backfill was improper. WICKWIRE will be working on a design to correct the issue, and it will be added if approved to the Street Improvements project.
- FY2027 Community Project Funding Requests – Annually Congress is allowed to submit projects for a one- year funding during the House Appropriations process. With the help of WICKWIRE, we have applied for our EGLE DWSRF Drinking Water System Improvements Project through the Interior and Environment Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Account. This is 80% with a 20% local match. The due date was March 6, 2026, and we will be notified in May if we were successful.
- Appropriations Request – Andreski informed the Commission that Senator Gary Peters and Senator Elisa Slotkin are accepting appropriation requests. The deadline is March 27, 2026.

This is a 75% grant with a 25% match. These funds will be used to purchase a new route plow truck and loader.

Baker stated that she has noticed heaving in front of Diane Adams' house and is worried it might be a big issue if not fixed. Andreski stated that she will have the DPW investigate to make sure no issues arise from it.

Pietrzak motioned with the support of Hoinowski to accept the Zoning Administrator's report as presented. All in favor; motion carried. Absent: Byczek.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Driveway Ordinance**

Andreski stated that she reached out to Civic Plus and the codified ordinances will be published on our website in the next week or two. She also spoke with John Locoangeli regarding the Driveway ordinance, and he updated the language in the ordinance.

Baker suggested "Code Violation" instead of saying "nuisance" in terms of properties.

Dood motioned with the support of Baker to table the Driveway Ordinance until Interim City Attorney Goodman can review the new Driveway Ordinance language.

### **Rental Registration and Inspection Ordinance**

A work session will be held on March 26, 2026, at 9 a.m.

### **Food Truck Ordinance**

Andreski updated the Commission stating that there is currently HB 5451/5450 that is being worked on in *the legislature* congress. This bill, if passed, may prohibit municipalities from collecting fees from food trucks. The bill would require all food trucks to be inspected and issued a QR code which would show compliance.

Baker noted that number seven and number eleven still need to be worked on, to complete the ordinance.

Poindexter stated that the Food Truck Ordinance, along with the Rental Registration and Inspection Ordinance can be reviewed further at the March 26, 2026, work session. All in favor; motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Bylaw Change – Term Limits**

Baker suggested term limits regarding the Bylaws. She believes that progress isn't consistent. She suggested limiting consecutive terms and no more than 5 years in leadership, particularly in the chair and vice chair role.

Hoinowski expressed concern over the limitations, stating that it is hard enough to find citizens to sit on the Commission. Dood echoed Hoinowski's concerns.

Baker continued that if you have the same people on the boards, then there are no new ideas.

Baker motioned to alter language in Section 4A to include: No officer may be elected to serve for unspecified years. for an unspecified maximum year. Due to the lack of support, the motion failed.

Hoinowski suggested that Baker change the verbiage to allow for anyone who wants to be chair to be allowed.

Poindexter suggested that Baker revisit her language and she can resubmit it for a future agenda for the Commission to review.

#### **Chicken Ordinance Revisions**

Baker stated that she spoke at the Public Comment when the Chicken Ordinance was being presented. She expressed her disappointment with having to seek permission from adjacent neighbors annually. She also stated that restrictions on where the coops may be located are troubling. She would like to see accommodation for the residents who have side lots as they technically don't have a backyard.

Poindexter stated that having neighbors sign off annually is a way to hold owners accountable.

Poindexter motioned with the support of Baker to table the Chicken Ordinance Revisions until the next meeting so that the Commissioners may review the proposed changes.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Timm Ballinger stated that this meeting was good and productive. He appreciated the Commissioners doing a good job.

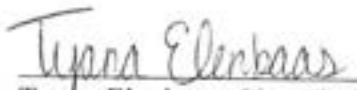
#### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Hoinowski thanked Ballinger for his kind words.

Poindexter stated that he had investigated the alleged violation of the Mayor sitting on the Planning Commission and found no merit to it. He stated that the Charter states that the mayor may sit on any board. Andreski stated that this is why we are going through the bylaws, because there are discrepancies from the bylaws to the charter.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hoinowski with the support of Pietrzak adjourned at 10:19 a.m. All in favor; Motion Carried.  
Absent: Byczek.

  
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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION WORK SESSION**  
**Thursday, March 26, 2026**  
**9 AM**  
**Minutes**

Chair Michael Poindexter called the meeting to order at 9 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Present: Adrienne Baker, Mike Hoinowski, Rodney Dood, and Poindexter.

Absent: Robert Byczek and Jacob Pietrzak.

Also present: City Manager/Zoning Administrator Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public in attendance: None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**Rental Registration and Inspection Ordinance**

Baker expressed her dislike for the language supplied from Caspian regarding enforcement. She especially was against the fine.

Andreski explained that Caspian puts the fines on the tax roll, but this is not a fool proof method and may not be the best solution to collect fines.

Poindexter suggested getting rid of the imprisonment section, as it seems excessive.

Hoinowski expressed his interest in adopting the violation procedure from Caspian to the Rental Registration and Inspection Ordinance.

Dood suggested taking the enforcement procedure from Caspian and putting it in place of Item C in the current ordinance. He asked Andreski to rewrite the enforcement section.

Baker suggested extending the time frame from 15 days to 30 days to comply.

**Food Truck Ordinance**

Baker asked if the Planning Commission should wait to work through the Ordinance as there are two bills in the House that may affect fines and enforcement.

Poindexter noted a discrepancy under number 3; the vehicle length doesn't match the application. It was decided that the length would be set at 36'L x 10'W.

In the Fees section, it was discussed how the House Bill could supersede whatever fee the Planning Commission sets. Baker suggested \$35 for a day permit and \$300 for an annual permit. Dood stated that the fee should cover the cost of the permit. The time it takes to process the permit.

Hoinowski suggested adding a fee if the Food Truck doesn't properly clean up.

Dood noted that Food Truck Vendors already must pay for permits with the Health Department, and we don't want to assess too many fees. Dood also suggested not spending too much time on fines as it might become null and void if the House Bills pass.

Under the Regulations Section, number 6 was discussed. Poindexter asked if a vendor would be required to leave each day or if the event is multiple days if they would be allowed to stay for the length of the event.

Baker agreed that if the Food Truck is locked up and secure, they should be allowed to be parked for the duration of the event. Andreski explained that there was a time when a vendor had asked Chief Harrington if he could stay at the location he was parked at because he was interested in selling the next day for the Rodeo Parade.

Baker asked if it would be beneficial to have an overnight parking permit available for food truck vendors.

Chief Harrington stated that an overnight parking permit is not needed. The food truck vendors should secure it and are responsible for their own stuff. He added that the truck should be always attended or assume the liability if a crime were to be committed.

Dood added that there should be a maximum number of days for vendors.

Chief Harrington suggested using the lot next to River's North as a Food Truck location. He suggested adding picnic tables. Dood added that across from McDonald's there is a city owned lot and that would make it a good location as well.

Poindexter stated that a Food Truck vendor must obtain permission from the City Clerk. Chief Harrington suggested adding that the City retains the right to request removal, all agreed.

Poindexter suggested communicating with the Rodeo Association regarding changes to the Food Truck Ordinance. Section 7 states that a vendor should not operate within 500 feet of a festival, fair or special event. Dood stated that a vendor may obtain a permit but will not be able to operate within the special events area.

Chief Harrington stated that all Food Truck vendors should obtain a permit through the city.

Poindexter moved on to the application for the Food Truck asking for any suggestions. Baker noted that a maximum number of days should be denoted on the application.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chief Harrington asked to review the Food Truck Ordinance before the final revision is voted on. He noted that if anyone from the Commission has any questions, the door is always open.

#### **Commissioner Comments**

Baker asked about parking demarcation. Dood informed her that it is expensive and the paint doesn't last. He noted the nature of our winter doesn't allow longevity.

Dood suggested getting rid of the berms on top of Stambaugh. He noted that they don't work in the UP because of plowing. Poindexter noted that extensive cost of getting rid of the berms. Dood added that it would increase parking spaces.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Poindexter with the support of Baker adjourned at 10:14 a.m. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: Byczek and Pietrzak.

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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

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**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, May 14, 2025  
10 AM  
Minutes**

Chairperson Craig Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Roll Call: Aubrey Richardson, Dan Hinch, Benjamin Garcia, Keith Hamel, Jeff Andreski (10:10 a.m.) and Richardson.

Also present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public attendance: Ronjo Leonoff.

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Approve Agenda**

Garcia moved with support from Hinch to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor; Motion carried.

**Approve Minutes**

Garcia moved with support from Hinch to approve:

- January 08, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes
- March 12, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Recreation Plan Update - R. Andreski gave the committee an update stating that the plan is still on hold considering the MDNR Conversion Issue is still unresolved. She will provide updates regarding the Conversion Issue when we get to the MDNR Conversion Issue section in Old Business.
- Apple Blossom Trail Boardwalk - The paperwork for the Apple Blossom Trail has been sent into MDOT and Alliance will begin work soon.
- Nelson Field Park Committee - Andreski explained that she will be in contact with West Iron County School to discuss the usage of Nelson Field and the finances associated with it. She noted that in July negotiations between the school and the Nelson Field Committee can begin. She detailed how the West Iron County Public School Middle School Student Council cleaned up Nelson Field for Earth Day, which she extended a big thanks for. She also noted that the DPW has mowed Nelson just in time for the school's regional track meet.
- Summer Help - Andreski stated that DPW has hired three summer employees, one is a returning former DPW worker, who can help direct the new employees.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**MDNR Conversion Issue**

Andreski shared that she authored a column on the Conversion Issue for *The Reporter*, expressing hope that it will help inform and educate the public. She also met with Sara Basso, the attorney who previously worked pro bono on seeking a resolution during David Thayer's tenure as City Manager.

Andreski remains optimistic that Aspirus may be open to engaging with the City to explore potential solutions. Additionally, she mentioned the possibility of reaching out to key stakeholders in Wausau to further pursue a resolution to the Conversion Issue.

### **2025 Projects**

Garcia noted that the City has many parks that DPW maintains, a total of 16 parks plus the cemetery. He believes a priority should be to sell some of the parks.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Committee Member Resignation**

Michael Berg submitted his letter of resignation to the committee. Hinch motioned with the support from A. Richardson to accept Michael Berg's Letter of Resignation. All in favor; motion carried.

#### **Iron County Little League Scoreboard Request – Bachman Park**

Andreski stated that Alisa Poirer, Iron County Little League President, reached out to her regarding a scoreboard at Bachman Park. The ICLL would like to purchase a scoreboard for Bachman and has asked the Parks and Recreation Committee for sponsorship of half the cost of the scoreboard. Poirer provided an estimate of the score board for the Committee to review. Andreski noted that the old scoreboard was removed by the DPW. It was a manual scoreboard that was in bad condition and unsafe.

Garcia asked if the quote provided was just for the scoreboard or if the materials to secure the scoreboard were included. He also asked if there is currently electric running to where the ICLL would like to place the new scoreboard.

J. Andreski stated that the scoreboard could possibly tie into the light poles, but otherwise, the scoreboard would require new electric to power it.

C. Richardson asked if this would be the best investment for the community to purchase the scoreboard. He was curious if this would grant the ICLL exclusive use to the scoreboard or if the community could use it.

Garcia motioned with the support of Hinch to table the Iron County Little League Scoreboard Request, until more information can be provided. All in favor; Motion Carried.

#### **Trash Can Purchase – Apple Blossom Trail**

J. Andreski stated that the DPW workers would like the Parks and Recreation Committee to purchase two garbage containers for the Apple Blossom Trail. They have identified two spots which would be ideal for the containers.

R. Andreski noted that all the trash cans throughout the City parks utilize the same style and they are durable.

Garcia moved with support from J. Andreski to purchase two plastic trash cans from the Parks and Recreation Fund Balance in the amount of \$666.83.

Roll Call: Ayes – 6: A. Richardson, Hinch, Hamel, Garcia, J. Andreski and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. All in favor; Motion Carried.

#### **Nelson Field Lighting**

Ronjo Leonoff, representing the West Iron County School Booster Club, stated that he has obtained a quote to replace the lights at Nelson Field. The quote has both the football field and the tennis court lights.

Leonoff stated that he has collected sponsorship from Shamco, the Nelson Family, the Booster Club and from Greg Lovejoy.

R. Andreski stated that in the past, crowd funding was used. A committee was formed, and they went to each municipality to ask for donations. It was a community effort for upgrades in the past.

Leonoff stated that he was told that the school was unsure if they could donate because it's City owned property. He was also under the impression that the Township's and other municipalities would not donate to it as well, because it is City owned.

R. Andreski added that there is a contract between the City and the School regarding Nelson Field. In the contract, it states that the school is responsible for all upgrades to the football field and football field lights. She stated that in the past, the school had paid to lease Nelson Field and received exclusive rights. Now we have an agreement for shared labor. She stated that it might not be in the best interest to fund the football field, especially since the school obtains exclusive rights.

Hamel moved with support from A. Richardson to fund the Nelson Field Lighting in that amount of \$13,000.

Roll Call: Ayes- 5: Hinch, Garcia, A. Richardson, Hamel and C. Richardson. Nays – 1: J. Andreski. All in favor; Motion Carried.

#### **Ice Lake Park Restroom/ Changing House Facility Paint**

R. Andreski stated that she put this on the agenda after some Facebook postings from residents. The posts stated that the restrooms and changing house look terrible, and paint could greatly improve the appearance of the Park. She noted that the bathrooms have been locked because they have been vandalized beyond repair, specifically the plumbing.

J. Andreski stated that he and the DPW pressure washed the building, and most of the paint had been removed. He added that the roof is bad, and he felt that making improvements would make it look better but not really accomplish anything else.

C. Richardson stated we could investigate the Sheriff's Work Van, community service programs and local contractors to see what an estimate on painting the restroom and changing house.

Garcia stated that it is the duty of the Parks and Recreation Committee to at least investigate painting the restroom and changing house. He suggested getting in touch with local contractors to get an estimate of cost to repaint.

C. Richardson moved with the support from Garcia, to table the Ice Lake Park Restroom and Changing House Facility painting until more information can be presented. All in favor; Motion Carried.

#### **Dog Waste Station Request**

R. Andreski stated that DDA Chairperson Kelly Dvorak requested the Parks and Recreation Committee investigate dog waste stations for the Apple Blossom Trail.

Hamel asked if we have cameras on the trail to prevent vandalism? Currently, there are no cameras on the trail.

Hamel moved with support from Hinch to purchase two dog waste stations for approximately \$250 per waste station, to be placed on the Apple Blossom Trail.

Roll Call: Ayes – 6: A. Richardson, Garcia, J. Andreski, Hinch, Hamel and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. All in favor; Motion Carried.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Member Comments**

None.

**Adjournment**

C. Richardson moved with support from J. Andreski to adjourn at 11:25 a.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

  
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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, June 25, 2025  
10 AM  
MINUTES**

Chairperson Craig Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Roll Call: Jeff Andreski, Benjamin Garcia and Craig Richardson.  
Absent: Keith Hamel, Aubrey Richardson and Dan Hinch.

Also Present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public in Attendance: None.

Due to lack of a quorum, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

  
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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING**

**Wednesday, September 10, 2025**

**10 AM**

**Minutes**

Chairperson Craig Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Roll Call: Dan Hinch, Benjamin Garcia, Keith Hamel, Steven Saunders, Keith Hamel and Richardson.

Absent: Aubrey Richardson.

Also present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public attendance: Holly Harvey and Faith Phillipson.

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Approve Agenda**

Garcia moved with support from Hinch to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: A. Richardson.

**Approve Minutes**

Garcia moved with support from Saunders to approve:

- May 14, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes
- June 25, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

All were in favor. Motion carried. Absent: A. Richardson.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Trash Can Purchase and Dog Waste Station – Andreski noted that it has been a while since the Committee has met and wanted to update them regarding the trash cans and the dog waste stations being placed out on the Apple Blossom along the trail.
- Bachman Park – Andreski stated that one of the lights at Bachman Park failed and was not under warranty.
- Disc Golf Course – Andreski noted that she and Zach Hautala (ICECA) are still working on signage.

Garcia moved with support from Hinch to approve the manager's report as presented. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: A. Richardson.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**MDNR Conversion Issue**

C. Richardson provided an update on the ongoing collaboration with Aspirus. He noted that the proposal was scheduled to go before the UP Board for approval; however, the meeting lacked a quorum. As a result, Aspirus Corporates have decided that it must now go before the Corporate Leadership Board, which has not yet scheduled a meeting. Richardson concluded by saying that while the process may be delayed, the outlook remains promising.

## **2025 PROJECTS**

### **Sale of Parks**

Garcia suggested that we compile a list of parks that could potentially be sold. He mentioned that he had printed a list from the city website and identified a few parks he believed would be suitable for sale, specifically: Segundo Park, Homer location Park, Mattioli Park and the baseball field in Forbes location.

Andreski suggested that Interim City Attorney Goodman investigate the legal status of these parks to ensure they can be sold without triggering a conversion issue, which the City wishes to avoid.

Hinch moved with support from Garcia to have Interim City Attorney Goodman investigate the legality and feasibility of selling Homer Location Park, Segundo Park, Mattioli Park and the baseball field in the Forbes Location. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: A. Richardson.

### **Disc Golf Course (Signage)**

Andreski stated that she has been working with Zach Hautala regarding the signage. They have requested a quote from Nicolet Signs.

### **Iron County Little League Scoreboard Request – Bachman Park**

Andreski stated that Alisa Porier, Iron County Little League President, reached out to her regarding a scoreboard at Bachman Park. Andreski has asked Mrs. Porier to provide more information at the request of the Parks and Recreation Committee. Mrs. Porier noted that there are pick up softball games currently underway at Bachman Park.

C. Richardson asked if this would be the best investment for the community to purchase the scoreboard. He was curious if this would grant the ICLL exclusive use to the scoreboard or if the community could use it.

C. Richardson motioned with the support of Garcia to table the Iron County Little League Scoreboard Request, until more information can be provided from the ICLL. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: A. Richardson.

### **Ice Lake Park Restroom/ Changing House Facility Paint**

R. Andreski stated that she put this on the agenda after some Facebook postings from residents. The posts stated that the restrooms and changing house look terrible, and paint could greatly improve the appearance of the Park. She noted that the bathrooms have been locked because they have been vandalized beyond repair, specifically the plumbing.

Garcia recommended postponing any improvements until the DNR Conversion Issue is resolved. He emphasized that painting the changing house now could be a waste of funds, as resolving the conversion issue would make the City eligible to apply for DNR grants, which could support a more comprehensive improvement project. C. Richardson agreed, stating that there are broader plans for Ice Lake Park, and once the necessary land is secured and the conversion issue addressed, the City can pursue DNR grants for the project.

C. Richardson moved with the support from Garcia, to table the Ice Lake Park Restroom and Changing House Facility painting until the DNR Conversion Issue is resolved. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: A. Richardson.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Nelson Field Tennis Court Lighting – Distribution and Controls**

Andreski reported that no bids were received for the Nelson Field light project. She noted that the engineers' estimate for the project is approximately \$45,000.

Hinch shared that the old prison has offered to donate metal poles for the project, which could help reduce costs. However, C. Richardson pointed out that the concrete needed to install the poles would still be a significant expense.

Andreski stated that she submitted a proposal to UPPCO seeking assistance in obtaining the necessary poles, and Hinch noted that he also submitted a proposal for the same purpose. Additionally, Hinch announced that he and Ronjo Leonoff will be appearing on TV6 News to highlight their efforts to secure funding for the Nelson Field lighting project. He inquired whether the City plans to rebid the project. C. Richardson responded that the City should wait for UPPCO's decision before moving forward.

### **Donated Property – Dog Park**

Andreski reported receiving an email from a family interested in donating 3.9 acres of land for the development of a dog park. Hinch mentioned that he previously lived at the proposed location.

Saunders indicated that while the road leading to the parcel is still maintained by the City, it is narrow and overgrown. He added that the parcel contains remnants of old foundations and bricks that would need to be cleared, and the area is currently overgrown with weeds and large trees. Garcia added that the trees would not need to be removed, just a fence would need to be erected.

C. Richardson questioned the logic of accepting a new park, when the City is in the process of reducing its number of parks.

Saunders raised concerns about maintenance responsibilities, pointing out that the Department of Public Works (DPW) is already stretched thin with its current workload.

Community member Faith Phillipson expressed her interest in volunteering at the proposed dog park. She shared her experience visiting many dog parks and explained that they are often community-maintained with volunteer support. She added that James Welch has offered to provide dog training and educate owners on responsible pet ownership. Phillipson also noted that signs stating, "You are responsible for your own animal," are commonly posted to shift liability away from municipalities.

Garcia gave a brief update on past discussions regarding establishing a dog park and reaffirmed his support for the idea, noting its potential benefits to the community. However, he emphasized that the City still needs to prioritize selling some of its existing parks. He also inquired whether neighboring residents had been notified about the potential development of the parcel into a dog park.

Garcia motioned with support from Saunders to table the discussion on the Donated Property – Dog Park until the City can further investigate selling additional parks. All in favor. Motion carried.  
Absent: A. Richardson.

**Honor Roll Park Improvements Request – Fitzpatrick Construction**

Andreski stated that she received a request from Fitzpatrick Construction with proposed work that needs to be completed at Honor Roll Park. The concrete is starting to crack, and the roof is leaking. Fitzpatrick Construction supplied a proposal regarding the service in the amount of \$12,952.00.

Andreski also noted that the Committee will be getting another request regarding putting electricity at the Memorial Park across from Kermit's.

Garcia asked if the City maintains the Honor Roll Park. Andreski stated that the City maintains portions but the Veteran's maintain a majority of the park.

Hamel stated that another quote should be requested, because someone might be able to do the work cheaper. Garcia suggested sending the project out to bids to obtain more quotes.

Garcia asked about giving the parks to the VFW and the American Legion. Andreski stated that it is a possibility.

Saunders moved with the support of Hamel to add Honor Roll Park and the park across from Kermit's to the list for Interim City Attorney Goodman to investigate selling. All in favor; Motion Carried. Absent: A. Richardson.

**Public Comment**

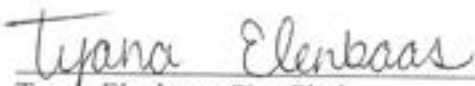
Hinch inquired about the Sheriff's Work Van and if that got used. Andreski noted that it was indeed used. She added that the work van helped clean up the blighted home on Altone.

**Member Comments**

None.

**Adjournment**

C. Richardson moved with support from Garcia to adjourn at 10:51 a.m. All in favor. Motion carried. Absent: A. Richardson.

  
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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, January 14, 2026  
10 AM  
Minutes**

Chairperson Craig Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Roll Call: Aubrey Richardson, Benjamin Garcia, Steven Saunders and Richardson.

Absent: Dan Hinch and Keith Hamel

Also present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public attendance: Gerald Williams, Doug Wessner, Bill LaRock and Frank Harris.

**Public Comment:**

Gerald Williams introduced himself as a representative of the VFW and American Legion. He expressed concern at Hoover Park, stating that it needs permanent lighting. He asked the City to purchase the electrical box and to pay the ongoing electric bill the new lighting would produce. He stated they would make sure to use LED lighting to keep cost reasonable.

**Approve Agenda**

Andreski stated that under New Business, under Election of Chair and Vice Chair, could we add election of secretary. Garcia moved with support from Saunders to approve the agenda with the addition of "Election of Secretary" under New Business. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: Hinch and Hamel.

**Approve Minutes**

Saunders moved with support from Garcia to approve:

- September 10, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

All were in favor. Motion carried. Absent: Hinch and Hamel.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Little League – Andreski stated that she has been in contact with Alisa Poier, and she has requested the use of Bachman Park and Nelson Field for their mid-April through mid-June.
- Old Shed System – Andreski stated that she has been in contact with Rich Sawicky and he would like to bring back the Old Shed System at Nelson Field. She detailed how the program worked, stating that children would get a token where they could take to Nelson Field and check out sporting equipment. Once they have finished using the equipment, they will return it and the token will be returned. Sawicky also stated that he might know of a few individuals who would be interested in donating funds to the Nelson Field Lighting Project as well. Andreski suggested writing a letter to Sawicky to investigate if they would be interested in donating to the project.

Garcia moved with A. Richardson to accept the Manager's Report as presented. All in favor; Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

### **MDNR Conversion Issue**

C. Richardson updated the committee on the Aspirus property, stating that Gary Pisoni did the survey and Aspirus will begin drafting up the Property Transfer agreement. He added that the Committee will need to update their Recreation Plan. He concluded that possibly by April 2027, we'd be ready to pursue grants to upgrade Ice Lake Park.

### **Iron County Little League Scoreboard Request – Bachman Park**

No new information

### **Nelson Field Tennis Court Lighting – Distribution and Controls/Park Committee**

C. Richardson stated that they are still actively trying to fundraise. He added that we had sent this out to bids last spring and unfortunately, no bids were received. He stated that at the last meeting, he understood that Parks and Rec would like the project to be done right the first go around as to avoid other costs in the future.

Andreski stated that we are still waiting on a response from UPPCO on whether they will donate the lighting poles needed. The original representative Andreski had been in contact with, no longer responded, so she found a new contact. The new contact informed her that UPPCO has monthly meetings, and the donation of the light poles will be on the next meetings agenda.

Garcia moved with support from A. Richardson to rebid the Nelson Field Tennis Court Lighting as previously bid. Roll Call: Ayes – 4: Saunders, A. Richardson, Garcia and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. Absent – 2: Hamel and Hinch. Motion carried.

### **Donated Property – Dog Park**

No Update. Garcia moved with support from Saunders to table the Donated Property – Dog Park. All in favor; Motion Carried.

### **Honor Roll Park Improvements Request – Fitzpatrick Construction**

C. Richardson stated that they have received a quote from Fitzpatrick Construction regarding repairs at Honor Roll Park. He noted that there has been no action taken on this yet and suggested that we send it out to bids.

Andreski agreed that it should be sent out to bids, noting that it's standard practice. She also reminded the Committee that previously they had discussed reducing parks and this was one of the parks given to Interim City Attorney Goodman for her to review.

Saunders stated that he took pictures of the damage before the snow and there are cracks at the foundation. He showed the committee.

Garcia moved with support from Saunders to collect bids for the Honor Roll Park Improvements and to have the Interim City Attorney investigate selling the park. Once both documents are supplied a better decision can be made.

Roll Call: Ayes – 4: A. Richardson, Saunders, Garcia and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. Absent – 2: Hinch and Hamel. Motion carried.

### **Hoover Park Improvements Request - Lighting**

C. Richardson stated that he would like to know what the cost of service would be if electricity was running there. Andreski stated that she pulled the bill from one of the other parks and it runs around

\$36.00 a month. C. Richardson added that we would have to put in a request for service as well as speak with an electrician.

Saunders moved with the support of Garcia to proceed with getting cost of service estimates for Hoover Park.

Roll Call: Ayes – 4: A. Richardson, Garcia, Saunders and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. Absent – 2: Hinch and Hamel.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Election of Chair/Vice Chairperson/Secretary**

Garcia moved with the support from Saunders to appoint C. Richardson to Chair. C. Richardson accepted the appointment.

Roll Call: Ayes – 4: A. Richardson, Saunders, Garcia and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. Absent – 2: Hinch and Hamel. Motion carried.

Garcia moved with the support from A. Richardson to appoint Hinch as Vice Chair.

Roll Call: Ayes – 4: Saunders, A. Richardson, Garcia and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. Absent – 2: Hamel and Hinch. Motion carried.

Garcia moved with the support from Saunders to appoint Elenbaas as Recording Secretary.

Roll Call: Ayes – 4: A. Richardson, Saunders, Garcia and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. Absent – 2: Hamel and Hinch. Motion carried.

### **2026 Meeting Schedule**

Andreski informed the Committee that as per the ordinance, Parks and Recreation needs to meet minimum of eight times a year. Saunders suggested adding June and August, because that is when Parks and Rec are the most active.

Saunders moved with the support of Garcia to add June and August to the regular meeting schedule for the year 2026.

Roll Call: Ayes – 4: A. Richardson, Garcia, Saunders and C. Richardson. Nays – 0. Absent – 2: Hamel and Hinch. Motion carried.

### **Review Ordinance**

Andreski asked if the Committee would like to amend the ordinance to decrease the meeting requirements listed for the Parks and Recreation. C. Richardson stated that there would be a cost associated with changing the ordinance. Garcia brought up the fact that the Recreation Plan will need to be updated, which will take time to go over thoroughly.

Garcia moved with support from Saunders to leave the ordinance as is. All in favor; Motion Carried.

### **Bylaws**

Andreski asked if the Committee would like to create their own bylaws as recommended by Interim City Attorney Goodman. Garcia asked what benefit would be of creating bylaws and if it would cost to create. Andreski stated that bylaws can address members' conduct, attendance and procedural processes.

Saunders read the ordinance and stated that the ordinance already provides a process for member conduct. He noted that the Committee has the right to recommend to the City Council that someone who is not performing their duties may be removed from their position. Ultimately, it would be at the City Council's discretion whether to remove the individual or not.

Garcia moved with the support from A. Richardson to not draft up individual Parks and Recreation Bylaws and to leave it as is. All in favor; Motion Carried.

### **Recreation Plan**

C. Richardson stated that he and Andreski will be working on the Recreation Plan. He stated that he was unsure whether the Recreation Plan was still valid or if a new one would need to be done. He stated he will investigate the validity of the Recreation Plan. He added that once it is completed, we will need to conduct another public hearing.

Garcia agreed that a review is in order and suggested holding some work sessions to complete the Recreation Plan.

### **2026 Projects**

- 1) **Sale of Parks** – C. Richardson stated that Interim City Attorney Goodman is still investigating the sale of parks, so at this time, there is no update.
- 2) **Disc Golf Course (Signage)** – Andreski stated that the ICECA is spearheading this project. They will be looking into this in Spring.

### **Public Comment**

Bill LaRock asked why the Committee would like to sale some of the parks? He expressed his concerns with the Parks and Recreation Committee giving the Veteran's Hoover or Honor Roll Park. He noted that the Veterans do not have the money to obtain liability on the parks. He stated that their funds are allocated to scholarships, community services and fundraising.

Doug Wessner also expressed concern over the sale of the Hoover and Honor Roll parks. He noted that currently the vets do maintain the parks and are willing to continue to help maintain them but cannot afford to take over full responsibility for the parks.

Bill LaRock added that he is in favor of Mr. Sawicky and his plans. He remembers the program and noted it would be a great thing for the youth of Iron River.

### **Member Comments**

Garcia stated that the Parks and Recreation Committee has been exploring options to sell some of the parks as there are 17 parks that are being maintained by the Department of Public Works. He thanked the Veterans for their service and concluded that Parks and Recreation are just doing their due diligence when it comes to selling parks.

C. Richardson thanked the veterans for coming and voicing their opinions, he noted that they will be used in making the final decision. He stressed that the Parks and Recreation committee will be willing to work with the Veterans as much as possible.

Saunders noted that a section of fence at Nelson Field was destroyed in a previous ice storm. C. Richardson asked if the fence section is insured. Andreski noted that the DPW has been persistent when it comes to addressing concerning trees at all parks. She noted that some trees were already cut at Nelson and stated that others will be addressed weather permitting.

### **Adjournment**

Garcia moved with support from Saunders to adjourn at 11:02 a.m. All in favor. Motion carried.  
Absent - 2: Hamel and Hinch.

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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

**CITY OF IRON RIVER  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, March 11, 2026  
10 AM  
Minutes**

Chairperson Craig Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., in the Council Chambers of the Iron River City Hall.

Roll Call: Dan Hinch and Keith Hamel Steven Saunders and Richardson.

Absent: Aubrey Richardson and Benjamin Garcia.

Also present: City Manager Rachel Andreski and City Clerk Tyana Elenbaas.

Public attendance: None.

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Approve Agenda**

Andreski stated that under Old Business she would like to add item H) 2026 Meeting Schedule. Hinch moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Item H under Old Business. All in favor; Motion carried. Absent: A. Richardson and Garcia.

**Approve Minutes**

Leonoff moved with support from Hamel to approve:

- January 14, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes

All were in favor. Motion carried. Absent: A. Richardson and Garcia.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Ice Safety/Rescue Education – Jackie Van Oss Judd and Pete Judd approached the city regarding use of Ice Lake Park. They will be hosting an educational workshop regarding ice safety and rescue. The event will be on March 28, 2026, at 1 p.m., weather permitting.
- T-Mobile Grant – WICKWIRE and Andreski have been working on applying for the T-Mobile Grant. Andreski and WICKWIRE feel that the Nelson Field Lighting Project would be a perfect project for the grant. This funding would cover a majority of the costs associated with completing the Lighting Project by utilizing the funds already raised by the public. Part of applying for grant is providing five letters of support for the shovel ready project, Andreski has asked the Booster Club, West Iron County Public Schools, Parks and Recreation Committee, Aspirus and the County Board to supply these letters of support. UPPCO was also not able to provide the power poles as previously requested, they stated they may be able to give more money instead.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**MDNR Conversion Issue**

C. Richardson updated the committee on the Aspirus property, stating that Gary Pisoni did the survey and Aspirus is still working on drafting up the Property Transfer agreement.

### **Iron County Little League Scoreboard Request – Bachman Park**

No new information

### **Nelson Field Tennis Court Lighting – Distribution and Controls/Park Committee**

C. Richardson stated that they are working on getting the T-Mobile Grant, which would provide \$50,000. C. Richardson stated that he will obtain a quote for the poles because UPPCO will not be able to supply the City with some. He added that the grant would fund a majority of the Nelson Field Tennis Court Lighting project. He concluded that we will be notified in May if we were successful.

### **Honor Roll Park Improvements Request – Fitzpatrick Construction**

C. Richardson stated that he is still looking into obtaining a quote from an electrician.

### **Hoover Park Improvements Request - Lighting**

C. Richardson stated that he has been doing some background work with this. He is looking into an electrician and will continue to work on it.

### **Recreation Plan**

C. Richardson stated that we can work from the old draft and update. He asked the committee how they would like to receive public participation. He noted that in the past they have utilized surveys or they could just host a public hearing and allow for comment then. After some discussion, it was decided that a public hearing would be held to receive community participation.

### **2026 Projects**

#### **Sale of City Parks**

Nothing new to report, waiting on Interim City Attorney Goodman to investigate selling the parks.

#### **Disc Golf Course**

Andreski stated that she is working with Zach Hautala from the ICECA on this and once the snow melts, they can make some more progress.

### **2026 Meeting Schedule**

Andreski explained that there was a clerical error on the meeting dates that were approved at the last meeting. She noted that the meetings are to be the second Wednesday of the month and in July it had the incorrect date. Saunders moved with support from Hamel to accept the 2026 Meeting Schedule with the correction of July's meeting date. All in favor; motion carried. Absent: A. Richardson and Garcia.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

### **Public Comment:**

None.

### **Member Comments**

Saunders noted that the tennis net and poles at Bachman Park need to be replaced. He stated that this can be investigated more once the snow melts.

Hamel suggested looking into fence guards for the top of the fence at Bachman. He noted that the Little League players have nothing to shield them from the fence and it could be dangerous.

**Adjournment**

Saunders moved with support from Leonoff to adjourn at 10:17 a.m. All in favor. Motion carried.  
Absent - 2: A. Richardson and Garcia.

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Tyana Elenbaas, City Clerk

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Traffic stops	43
Verbal warning	37
State Tickets	8
Reports	17
Bus checks	791
Neighbor checks	568
Call for service	75
Assist other agencies	18
PDA/ PI	5
Misd arrests	12
Fel arrests	4
Fel warrants	3
Misc warrants	2
DWLS	1
OWI-	
Total miles	1378

## 2026 MARCH STATS

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## DPW REPORT Mar-Apr 2026

### Overview:

- As the Snowy season winds down, we are filling the lull in between by preparing our summer equipment and giving our buildings a much-needed spring cleaning. We are forming a game plan to address Nelson Field, the cemetery and main streets cleanup for upcoming graduation, events, parades and Memorial Day.

### Water Distribution System:

- Water samples have come back negative for the month of April

### Storm and Sanitary Sewer:

- We had a sewage backup complaint at 53 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and jetted lines on 7<sup>th</sup> and division. We pulled out a giant root ball that was lodged in the line.
- Sewer backup at Burns and River, it was jetted and cleared.

### Streets and Sidewalks:

- We pulled snow at 2am along Genesee as well as most side streets on 3/13/26
- The guys have been spot filling some of the really bad potholes mainly in Downtown Iron River

### Parks and Cemetery:

- Parks are getting put back together in preparation for graduation

### Miscellaneous:

- Truck #37 has gone back to U P International to have the bearings replaced on the Transfer case and the cam sensor for the speedometer repaired. The transfer case is covered under warranty and the cam sensor was marked as fixed the last time the truck was there so we shouldn't incur any additional cost there as well. (update): #37 has returned as of 3/31/26 and since then no leaks are coming from the transfer case, however the speedometer not working properly is still an issue.
- I've put together a list of street signs around the city that need attention and mainly focusing on the area from US2 north to Sturgeon and River to 9<sup>th</sup> for replacement
- I'm also currently working on pricing out parts for things we absolutely are going to need for summer, fall and winter. I will also be working closely with the City

Manager and Treasurer to effectively budget those items for the coming fiscal year.

Steven Saunders  
Public Works Superintendent



## **March 2026 ICECA Update**

### **Iron County Housing Initiatives**

#### **Crystal Falls Housing Development**

No update since November 2025. Construction is still scheduled to start in Spring 2026.

#### **New Porter, LLC**

No significant update since November 2025. Anyone can follow their progress on their Facebook Page- "New Porter, LLC." The ICECA continues to work with New Porter and the MEDC on a plan moving forward focusing on taking advantage of regional, state and even some federal resources.

#### **Current Iron River City Hall**

No significant update since November 2025. The City of Iron River continues to occupy their current city hall as their move to their new city hall has been delayed. Once they make the official move, a formal and final decision should follow regarding their current city hall.

### **Upcoming Iron County High School Job Fairs**

The ICECA will be hosting job fairs at both Forest Park and West Iron. The job fair at Forest Park will be on April 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:45-10 am with grades 9-12 participating, while the job fair at West Iron will be on April 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-9:45 am also with grades 9-12 participating. All ICECA members and Iron County businesses are invited to participate at no charge although space is limited so we are requesting RSVPs.

These job fairs are aimed at helping high school students find full-time or permanent employment (seniors after graduation) and part-time, summer or after school help for underclassmen.

### **Business After Hours**

Due to a variety of reasons, we did not host a Business After Hours in March. We will host an April BAH on the west side of Iron County with location and sponsors TBD. We originally planned to have our March BAH at Paint River Landing Pizza and look forward to hosting one there in May or October.

### **ICECA Monthly Newsletter**

We were excited to release the first edition of our monthly newsletter, The Iron Advantage. It will include upcoming events, members' spotlight, new members, and upcoming opportunities for businesses and organizations. The Iron Advantage will be mass emailed to our contact list, posted to our Facebook and available on our website-iron.org. We will continue to work with North Country Website Design in Crystal Falls on this initiative.

### **Fast Track Grant**

The ICECA will be accepting applications for our annual Fast Track Grant starting in April 2026. This will be the 5<sup>th</sup> year we have provided this grant program and will surpass \$50,000 we have provided to small businesses here in Iron County!

The purpose of this grant is to attract businesses that will create jobs, have the potential to complement other businesses and the community, and are not similar to an existing business located in the same city, village, or township. The grant requires a comprehensive business plan that is evaluated and scored via rubric by the ICECA Business Development Committee. All applicants are provided with free resources, advice, and guidance from the Michigan Small Business Association and the Michigan Small Business Development Center.

### **UP Michigan Works! Iron County Business Visits**

The ICECA has continued to work with UP Michigan Works! which has recently onboarded a new Business Services Specialist, Darci Lindstrom. Darci has been a welcome addition to the UPMW team, and we have already covered a lot of ground visiting businesses around Iron County. Several of these businesses have already been able to or are working toward taking advantage of the several programs and opportunities UPMW has to offer which includes on-the-job training, incumbent worker training, work-based learning, customized training, apprenticeships and their Going Pro Talent Fund. All Iron County businesses have the potential to take advantage of UPMW programming and are invited to request the ICECA and UPMW make a group visit to their business.

### **Upcoming Camping Season**

Iron County is home to over 20 campgrounds and the upcoming camping season is already looking like it will be a busy one! The Klint Safford Memorial RV Park is already fully booked for several weekends and even some full weeks during peak camping season. Along with major events including the UP-Championship Rodeo (Iron River) and Bass Festival (Crystal Falls) Iron County will have a "bonus" event this year as the Caspian-Gaastra Fire Department will host the annual Upper Peninsula Volunteer Firefighters Tournament July 24-26. This event will bring firefighters, their families, and spectators from all around the UP to Iron County!

### ICECA Job Postings

Our Iron County/ICECA Member job postings list continues to be updated and published on a bi-weekly basis and can be found at the following locations:

1. ICECA's website- [www.iron.org](http://www.iron.org)
2. ICECA's Facebook page- <https://www.facebook.com/IronCountyMichigan>
3. ICECA Office (50 E. Genesee St, Iron River)
4. UP Michigan Works! Iron River Office (305 W Genesee St, Iron River)
5. Crystal Falls District Community Library (237 Superior Ave, Crystal Falls)
6. West Iron District Library (116 W Genesee St, Iron River)
7. The Windsor Center (612 W Adams St, Iron River)
8. Iron County Housing Commission (210 N 3rd St, Crystal Falls)
9. Various Iron County Municipalities

All ICECA Members are welcome to submit their open job postings to Assistant Director Brett at [brett@iron.org](mailto:brett@iron.org).

**NEW BENEFIT:** Starting in April 2026, all open job postings will also be posted to Upper Peninsula Michigan Works!'s Pure Michigan Talent Connect website as the ICECA is now a validated user and able to post open job postings here in Iron County. Any questions on how to maximize this service, please reach out to Brett.

The ICECA's next Board of Trustees meeting is **Wednesday, April 8th at 8:30 am** at the Crystal Falls City Hall- 401 Superior Ave, Crystal Falls.

As always, thank you for your continued partnership and support!

Zach Hautala  
Executive Director  
Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance

## City Manager's Report April

1. WICSA: Chief Plant Operator Jeffrey Dixon, informed the Authority that one of their senior employees is looking to retire in the next two to three years. He requested the Authority consider hiring another employee to gain knowledge and experience now. An entry level employee would cost approximately \$81,000, with the City's cost share of approximately \$50,000. This would be above what we are already paying monthly. I expressed my concern that by hiring now, would create a larger increase on the residents on their utility bill. My suggestion would be to wait closer to the retirement date before fulfilling the position. The item was tabled and Dixon will present two sets of budgets, one with an additional employee and one without.
2. MDOT Local Bridge Program – Genesee Street Bridge: Grant submittal deadline was April 1<sup>st</sup> for the FY2029 round with an estimated grant budget of \$50M. City is responsible for 100% of engineering costs - \$87,000 and minimum of a 20% match – \$87,000 with construction cost of \$417,000.
3. The State of Michigan has been transitioning its bridge management software to meet the updated Specifications for the National Bridge Inventory (SNBI). SNBI is data collection to how bridge inspections, inventory, and condition data are reported to the Federal Highway Administration. MDOT has contracted with Ayres Associates as the prime consultant for bridge inspections and updated data collection. I will be meeting with Ayres and their subconsultants pertaining to our bridges.
4. MDNR Conversion (Ice Lake Park): We reached out to Glenn Dobson and he responded on April 10<sup>th</sup> that he is hopeful the agreement will be completed early next week.
5. Reporter Building (New City Hall): Ponchaud Contracting has received the windows and is currently installing the insulation.
6. Current City Hall: Interim Attorney Goodman drafted a Sale and Purchase Agreement which was forwarded to Mr. Denha. After his approval, I will bring it back to Council for their approval, which was listed as "Other Terms" in the Counteroffer.
7. Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Project Plan (\$4.977M): Due to weather, construction has ceased until spring. A representative from Roustala Construction is scheduled to come on April 10<sup>th</sup> to apply gravel and grade the portion of Amber Street where construction was completed last fall.
8. MDOT Category B Grant – \$250,000 grant award and 50% match. We utilized our 2026 Street Improvements Project as part of the scope of work. Construction will start after the new fiscal year.

9. 2026 Street Improvements Project –The construction documents have been signed. We will be holding a pre-construction meeting with construction starting after the new fiscal year.
10. Hazard Mitigation Grant – No updates.
11. With assistance from WICKWIRE, I submitted the EGLE State High Water Infrastructure Grant that was due April 10<sup>th</sup>. The resolution was adopted at our Special Meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup>, for the total estimated cost of \$110,000, with 80% funded by the grant, with the City's 20% match of \$22,000. If awarded this grant, this would cover the engineering fees for the Hazard Mitigation Grant.
12. Apple Blossom Boardwalk Project – Due to early snowfall, we will have to postpone the ribbon cutting until spring.
13. DDA Parking Lots Project – The project is substantially complete with the Certificate being issued to Bacco Construction Company. The total amount of retainage of \$9,178 has been withheld until the final project walkthrough can be completed in the Spring. We will also schedule a ribbon cutting once the snow melts.
14. Our 2019 International route plow truck was fixed just before the snowstorm and the transfer case issues have been resolved.
15. From March 18<sup>th</sup> to April 8<sup>th</sup>, I have received 3 FOIA requests which have utilized 5.5 hours of my time, 2.5 of Amanda's time and 1 hour of Chief's time, and 2 FOIA appeals which have utilized 2.25 hours of my time. These hours do not include Interim Attorney Goodman's time.
16. T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program: Application was due March 31<sup>st</sup> with \$50,000 award per town. We utilized the Nelson Field Lighting Project for our submittal with a total project cost of \$65,000. If we are not successful, we could apply again for the next round of funding which would be due June 30<sup>th</sup>.
17. We received notice that Congressman Jack Bergman is collecting FY2027 Community Project Funding Requests. Every year, each member of Congress is allowed to submit projects for a one-year funding consideration during the annual House Appropriations process. We have submitted an application and supporting documentation, with free assistance from WICKWIRE for our EGLE DWSRF Drinking Water System Improvements Project through the Interior and Environment Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Account. The federal grant is 80% with a 20% local match (approximately \$415,000) of the estimated \$2,075,000 total project cost. For clarity, this is the same project we have applied to EGLE for the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund. If we are successful with both requests, we can utilize EGLE DWSRF for our match. The due date was March 6, 2026.

18. Senator Gary Peters is once again accepting appropriation requests for the annual legislation for funding from federal agencies and programs. Last year, we made it through the first phase for the purchase of a new route plow truck and loader (with attachments) but was not selected to be funded as part of the bill. I obtained updated quotes from our sales representatives and submitted by the deadline. We are eligible for a 75% grant with a 25% match.
19. Senator Elisa Slotkin is also accepting appropriation requests though the same program listed above. I did contact their representative and we are eligible to apply with the same proposal as each Senator can request funding. We also submitted our application by the deadline.
20. On March 25<sup>th</sup> I submitted the documents to SEEL (Solutions for Energy Efficient Logistics), which is a program through UPPCO that award efficiency rebates for commercial properties of UPPCO-Affiliated Business Customers. The rebates are calculated in accordance with the kWh savings associated with the project.
21. EGLE announced the 2026 Scrap Tire Cleanup Grant for Community Cleanups. Applications were due March 31<sup>st</sup> and I submitted our application with a \$3,000 request on March 25<sup>th</sup>. We should hear before May 1<sup>st</sup> if we are successful.
22. I am also working on the annual Spring Cleanup Large Item Disposal. Tentative date is May 16, 2026, from 8 a.m. to noon.
23. Coleman Engineering provided updates of our properties in the City for merging with the County's GIS program.
24. I received the full draft of the amended Zoning Ordinance from CivicPlus. I will review and submit comments, if necessary. Once this is completed, the codification process is complete with it being uploaded to our website.
25. The DPW Union Contract (AFSCME) will be expiring on June 30<sup>th</sup>. I have received the formal request for the Contract Re-Opener to engage in negotiations. Previously, Mayor Dood and Councilmember Leonoff were part of the negotiation team for the City. I am requesting either the same members, or new members.
26. Jackie Van-Oss Judd and County Commissioner Pete Judd hosted the ice safety and rescue at Ice Lake Park on March 28<sup>th</sup>, with Brian Van-Oss providing the training, along with a representative from Aspirus. There were 24 people in attendance, including Chief, Officer Robbins, Jeff Andreski and I from the City. Special thanks to Jackie, Pete and Brian!

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, you can contact me at any time.  
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2025 - 2026 FISCAL YEAR

MARCH, 2026

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FUND	FY		YEAR		CURRENT		75% % OF BUDGET	FY		YEAR TO DATE		CURRENT		75% % OF BUDGET
	BUDGETED REVENUES	TO DATE REVENUES	BUDGETED REVENUES	MONTH REVENUES	BUDGETED REVENUES	% OF BUDGET		BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	YEAR TO DATE EXPENDITURES	BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	YEAR TO DATE EXPENDITURES	MONTH EXPENDITURES	% OF BUDGET	
GENERAL (101)	\$ 3,041,733.03	\$ 2,407,572.68	\$ 102,296.61	79%	\$ 3,041,733.03	\$ 2,216,189.56	\$ 141,336.08	73%						
MAJOR STREET (202)	\$ 2,184,723.88	\$ 881,406.31	\$ 545,295.32	40%	\$ 2,184,723.88	\$ 1,221,532.14	\$ 9,801.30	56%						
LOCAL STREET (203)	\$ 1,703,867.58	\$ 371,369.51	\$ 11,388.10	22%	\$ 1,703,867.58	\$ 600,314.74	\$ 11,113.10	35%						
MUNI STREET (204)	\$ 57,338.49	\$ 22,455.76	\$ 7,242.09	39%	\$ 57,338.49	\$ 31,401.64	\$ -	55%						
PARKS/REC (208)	\$ 32,218.53	\$ 27,686.98	\$ 11,437.67	86%	\$ 32,218.53	\$ 237.00	\$ -	1%						
CEMETERY FD (209)	\$ 18,300.00	\$ 15,150.00	\$ -	83%	\$ 18,300.00	\$ 11,571.08	\$ -	63%						
DDA FUND (248)	\$ 228,162.56	\$ 188,837.57	\$ 795.32	83%	\$ 228,162.56	\$ 199,750.57	\$ 6,426.87	88%						
SURPLUS PROP (249)	\$ 27,854.25	\$ 23,000.00	\$ -	83%	\$ 27,854.25	\$ 7,822.42	\$ -	28%						
RV PARK (299)	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,087.88	\$ -	75%	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 494.99	\$ -	18%						
SEWER FUND (590)	\$ 5,147,130.58	\$ 2,148,854.37	\$ 90,672.41	42%	\$ 5,147,130.58	\$ 2,013,758.95	\$ 60,054.78	39%						
WATER FUND (591)	\$ 901,448.01	\$ 650,528.04	\$ 74,074.50	72%	\$ 901,448.01	\$ 296,019.42	\$ 10,469.41	33%						
MOTOR POOL (661)	\$ 228,269.07	\$ 116,257.96	\$ -	51%	\$ 228,269.07	\$ 181,858.63	\$ 1,929.71	80%						
ABS SEAMLESS (756)	\$ -	\$ 296.15	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!						
<b>FUND TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 13,573,845.98</b>	<b>\$ 6,855,503.21</b>	<b>\$ 843,202.02</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>\$ 13,573,845.98</b>	<b>\$ 6,780,951.14</b>	<b>\$ 241,131.25</b>	<b>50%</b>						

Check Date	Check	Vendor Name	Amount
Bank WELLS FNB-COMMON ACCOUNT			
03/06/2026	26(E)	PITNEY BOWES BANK INC	303.00
03/20/2026	27(E)	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICH	13,446.18
03/20/2026	28(E)	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL	191.28
03/20/2026	29(E)	PITNEY BOWES BANK INC	303.00
03/23/2026	30(E)	DTE ENERGY	6,568.53
03/03/2026	58248	FIRST NATIONAL BANK & TRUST CO	59,687.62
03/06/2026	58249	ACC AUTOMATED COMFORT CONTROLS	840.50
03/06/2026	58250	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	443.88
03/06/2026	58251	BIGARI HARDWARE	140.44
03/06/2026	58252	CERTIFIED ASSESSING	4,149.00
03/06/2026	58253	CITY OF IRON RIVER	150.00
03/06/2026	58254	CITY OF IRON RIVER	725.00
03/06/2026	58255	COMPASS MINERALS	4,790.39
03/06/2026	58256	CONSUMERS WELDING SUPPLY INC	18.00
03/06/2026	58257	CURT HARRINGTON	50.00
03/06/2026	58258	MARIO'S OUTDOOR POWER PRODUCTS	66.90
03/06/2026	58259	DELTA DENTAL	886.57
03/06/2026	58260	DTE ENERGY	6,568.53
03/06/2026	58261	GALLS, LLC	1,964.24
03/06/2026	58262	H&L MESABI, INC	177.00
03/06/2026	58263	HALRON LUBRICANTS INC	200.81
03/06/2026	58264	IRON RIVER AUTO SUPPLY	756.04
03/06/2026	58265	MULTI MEDIA CHANNELS LLC	321.75
03/06/2026	58266	KRIST OIL COMPANY	55.85
03/06/2026	58267	METLIFE	40.00
03/06/2026	58268	MML WORKERS COMP FUND	3,500.00
03/06/2026	58269	MIKE'S MUFF-EX	81.26
03/06/2026	58270	O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC	28.78
03/06/2026	58271	THE OFFICE PLANNING GROUP	888.72
03/06/2026	58272	WANDA PITTS	30.00
03/06/2026	58273	RACHEL ANDRESKI	50.00
03/06/2026	58274	STEVE SAUNDERS	50.00
03/06/2026	58275	AT&T	975.77
03/06/2026	58276	AT&T	222.30
03/06/2026	58277	SMART SOURCE LLC	1,435.20
03/06/2026	58278	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	101.48
03/06/2026	58279	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	110.00
03/06/2026	58280	TIMBER RIDGE TECH CONSULTANTS	910.58
03/06/2026	58281	UP INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS, INC	11,112.68
03/06/2026	58282	UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY	12,676.40
03/06/2026	58283	WHITE WATER ASSOCIATES, INC.	75.00
03/06/2026	58284	WEST IRON COUNTY SEWER AUTH	37,694.02
03/13/2026	58293	VESTIS	194.40
03/13/2026	58294	AUTO-WARES GROUP	409.10
03/13/2026	58295	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	240.00
03/13/2026	58296	EDWARD MEYERS	592.00
03/13/2026	58297	FASTENAL COMPANY	21.77
03/13/2026	58298	RICHARD KERTTU	255.00
03/13/2026	58299	SHANE MARHEINE	340.00
03/13/2026	58300	MINER'S STATE BANK	1,929.71
03/13/2026	58301	TRUCK EQUIPMENT, INC	268.73
03/13/2026	58302	TERRY VERVILLE	255.00
03/13/2026	58303	WHITE WATER ASSOCIATES, INC.	50.00
03/20/2026	58304	ASPIRUS BUSINESS HEALTH	117.00
03/20/2026	58305	CERTIFIED ASSESSING	4,149.00
03/20/2026	58306	CITY OF IRON RIVER	150.00
03/20/2026	58307	CLOOTS & SWANSON SUPPLIES	79.28
03/20/2026	58308	CITY OF IRON RIVER	42,468.75
03/20/2026	58309	CURT HARRINGTON	50.00
03/20/2026	58310	ENVIRONMENTAL EQUIPMENT SALES &	1,453.55
03/20/2026	58311	FIRST NATIONAL BANK & TRUST CO	3,529.53
03/20/2026	58312	FLEX ADMINISTRATORS	41.50
03/20/2026	58313	GALLS, LLC	78.63
03/20/2026	58314	GOODMAN LAW, P.C.	1,096.03
03/20/2026	58315	IRON COUNTY EQUALIZATION DEPT	1,272.97
03/20/2026	58316	IDCREATOR	25.49
03/20/2026	58317	CITY OF IRON RIVER	65,805.00
03/20/2026	58318	KRIST OIL COMPANY	4,413.43
03/20/2026	58319	METLIFE	40.00
03/20/2026	58320	WANDA PITTS	30.00
03/20/2026	58321	POLLARD WATER	212.77
03/20/2026	58322	PONCHAUD CONTRACTING	32,000.00
03/20/2026	58323	RACHEL ANDRESKI	50.00
03/20/2026	58324	CITY OF IRON RIVER	32,287.50
03/20/2026	58325	STEVE SAUNDERS	50.00
03/20/2026	58326	SPECTRUM PRINTERS INC	48.44
03/20/2026	58327	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	101.48
03/20/2026	58328	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	110.00

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03/20/2026	58329	UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY	2,393.22
03/20/2026	58330	WE ENERGIES	357.02
03/20/2026	58331	WELLS FARGO	634.73
03/20/2026	58332	WICKWIRE P.C.	4,369.00
03/20/2026	58333	GFL ENVIRONMENTAL	16,638.43
03/24/2026	58334	DELTA DENTAL	886.57
03/24/2026	58335	EDWARD MEYERS	296.00
03/24/2026	58336	JEFF HAGGARD	66.71
03/24/2026	58337	UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY	2,829.09
03/24/2026	58338	VOID	0.00 V
03/31/2026	58343	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	649.12

WELLS TOTALS:

Total of 89 Checks:	396,122.65
Less 1 Void Checks:	0.00
Total of 88 Disbursements:	396,122.65

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR CITY OF IRON RIVER  
 PERIOD ENDING 03/31/2026



GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26		YTD BALANCE 03/31/2026	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/2026	AVAILABLE BALANCE	% BDDG USED
		AMENDED BUDGET	NORMAL (ABNORMAL)				
Fund 101 - GENERAL FUND							
000.000		3,041,733.03	2,407,572.68	102,296.61	634,160.35	79.15	
TOTAL REVENUES							
101.000 - CITY COMMISSION		10,372.40	7,788.82	861.22	2,583.58	75.09	
172.000 - CITY MANAGER		137,011.06	107,022.43	10,480.48	29,988.63	78.11	
192.000 - EMPLOYEE FRINGE BENEFITS		500,376.00	333,716.00	0.00	166,660.00	66.69	
193.000 - INSURANCE		93,592.00	89,562.00	0.00	4,030.00	95.69	
215.000 - CLERK		75,174.74	55,277.93	5,641.44	19,896.81	73.53	
223.000 - AUDITOR		26,295.80	26,295.80	0.00	0.00	100.00	
228.000 - COMPUTER CONSULTING		54,194.51	32,675.16	0.00	21,519.35	60.29	
247.000 - BOARD OF REVIEW		1,848.00	1,848.00	987.75	0.00	100.00	
253.000 - TREASURER		144,416.70	108,061.35	9,797.76	36,355.35	74.83	
255.000 - PROPERTY TAX SERVICES		2,219.25	387.79	0.00	1,831.46	17.47	
257.000 - ASSESSOR		51,767.97	38,948.97	5,199.22	12,819.00	75.24	
262.000 - ELECTIONS		5,318.31	5,291.75	0.00	26.56	99.50	
265.000 - CITY HALL		438,211.17	389,082.62	34,006.39	49,128.55	88.79	
266.000 - ATTORNEY		25,000.00	20,538.47	0.00	4,461.53	82.15	
301.000 - POLICE DEPT		472,465.40	324,427.58	31,273.04	148,037.82	68.67	
336.000 - FIRE DEPARTMENT		23,953.00	18,319.58	0.00	5,633.42	76.48	
441.000 - PUBLIC WORKS		574,225.69	398,526.35	37,860.47	175,699.34	69.40	
446.000 - BRIDGES (NOT ACT 51)		7,340.75	7,340.75	0.00	0.00	100.00	
448.000 - STREET LIGHTS		48,000.00	29,980.85	1,400.85	18,019.15	62.46	
526.000 - GARBAGE		222,714.99	147,272.22	97.37	75,442.77	66.13	
528.000 - RUBBISH COLLECTION		5,900.00	246.40	0.00	5,653.60	4.18	
701.000 - PLANNING COMMISSION		8,821.62	1,350.57	64.60	7,471.05	15.31	
702.000 - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		5,805.44	233.30	0.00	5,572.14	4.02	



GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26		YTD BALANCE 03/31/2026	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/2026	AVAILABLE BALANCE	% BUDGET USED
		AMENDED BUDGET	NORMAL (ABNORMAL)				
<b>Fund 101 - GENERAL FUND</b>							
703.000	- PUBLIC RELATIONS		29,555.43	23,735.43	0.00	5,820.00	80.31
751.000	- COMMUNITY RECREATION		27,575.00	12,794.47	135.96	14,780.53	46.40
753.000	- APPLE BLOSSOM TRAIL		1,190.50	666.26	0.00	524.24	55.96
905.000	- DEBT SERVICE		30,387.30	19,798.71	3,529.53	10,588.59	65.15
999.000	- TRANSFER TO OTHER ACCTS/UNITS		18,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	83.33
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		3,041,733.03	2,216,189.56	141,336.08	825,543.47	72.86
<b>Fund 101 - GENERAL FUND:</b>							
	TOTAL REVENUES	3,041,733.03		2,407,572.68	102,296.61	634,160.35	79.15
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,041,733.03		2,216,189.56	141,336.08	825,543.47	72.86
	NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		0.00	191,383.12	(39,039.47)	(191,383.12)	100.00
	BEG. FUND BALANCE	1,118,385.63		1,118,385.63			
	END FUND BALANCE	1,118,385.63		1,309,768.75			
<b>Fund 202 - MAJOR STREET FUND</b>							
000.000		2,184,723.88		881,406.31	545,295.32	1,303,317.57	40.34
	TOTAL REVENUES	2,184,723.88		881,406.31	545,295.32	1,303,317.57	40.34
210.000	- ADMINISTRATION		34,386.00	26,448.20	2,629.68	7,937.80	76.92
451.000	- CONSTRUCTION		1,243,846.46	373,789.13	0.00	870,057.33	30.05
465.000	- WINTER MAINTENANCE		68,376.75	80,777.09	6,257.86	(12,400.34)	118.14
479.000	- MAINTENANCE		42,325.00	21,195.52	0.00	21,129.48	50.08
486.000	- TRUNKLINE MAINTENANCE		11,180.00	8,225.81	913.76	2,954.19	73.58
753.000	- APPLE BLOSSOM TRAIL		538,613.96	465,100.68	0.00	73,513.28	86.35
999.000	- TRANSFER TO OTHER ACCTS/UNITS		245,995.71	245,995.71	0.00	0.00	100.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		2,184,723.88	1,221,532.14	9,801.30	963,191.74	55.91
<b>Fund 202 - MAJOR STREET FUND:</b>							
	TOTAL REVENUES	2,184,723.88		881,406.31	545,295.32	1,303,317.57	40.34
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,184,723.88		1,221,532.14	9,801.30	963,191.74	55.91
	NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		0.00	(340,125.83)	535,194.02	340,125.83	100.00
	BEG. FUND BALANCE	449,408.04		449,408.04			
	END FUND BALANCE	449,408.04		109,282.21			

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GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26 AMENDED BUDGET	YTD BALANCE 03/31/2026	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/2026	AVAILABLE BALANCE	% BOST USED
			NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	INCREASE (DECREASE)	NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	
<b>Fund 203 - LOCAL STREET FUND</b>						
000.000		1,703,867.58	371,369.51	11,388.10	1,332,498.07	21.80
TOTAL REVENUES						
		1,703,867.58	371,369.51	11,388.10	1,332,498.07	21.80
210.000 - ADMINISTRATION						
		33,585.00	25,831.80	2,568.04	7,753.20	76.91
451.000 - CONSTRUCTION						
		1,563,801.88	476,401.21	0.00	1,087,400.67	30.46
465.000 - WINTER MAINTENANCE						
		64,226.76	73,303.62	8,545.06	(9,076.86)	114.13
479.000 - MAINTENANCE						
		42,253.94	24,778.11	0.00	17,475.83	58.64
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						
		1,703,867.58	600,314.74	11,113.10	1,103,552.84	35.23
<b>Fund 203 - LOCAL STREET FUND:</b>						
TOTAL REVENUES						
		1,703,867.58	371,369.51	11,388.10	1,332,498.07	21.80
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						
		1,703,867.58	600,314.74	11,113.10	1,103,552.84	35.23
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES						
		0.00	(228,945.23)	275.00	228,945.23	100.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE						
		156,779.92	156,779.92	(72,165.31)		
END FUND BALANCE						
		156,779.92	156,779.92	(72,165.31)		
<b>Fund 204 - MUNICIPAL STREET FUND</b>						
000.000		57,338.49	22,455.76	7,242.09	34,882.73	39.16
TOTAL REVENUES						
		57,338.49	22,455.76	7,242.09	34,882.73	39.16
210.000 - ADMINISTRATION						
		57,338.49	31,401.64	0.00	25,936.85	54.77
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						
		57,338.49	31,401.64	0.00	25,936.85	54.77
<b>Fund 204 - MUNICIPAL STREET FUND:</b>						
TOTAL REVENUES						
		57,338.49	22,455.76	7,242.09	34,882.73	39.16
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						
		57,338.49	31,401.64	0.00	25,936.85	54.77
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES						
		0.00	(8,945.88)	7,242.09	8,945.88	100.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE						
		8,070.19	8,070.19			
END FUND BALANCE						
		8,070.19	8,070.19	(875.69)		
<b>Fund 208 - PARK/RECREATION FUND</b>						
000.000		32,218.53	27,686.98	11,437.67	4,531.55	85.93
TOTAL REVENUES						
		32,218.53	27,686.98	11,437.67	4,531.55	85.93
751.000 - COMMUNITY RECREATION						
		32,218.53	237.00	0.00	31,981.53	0.74
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						
		32,218.53	237.00	0.00	31,981.53	0.74

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GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26		YTD BALANCE 03/31/2026	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/2026	AVAILABLE BALANCE	BUDGET USED
		AMENDED BUDGET	NORMAL (ABNORMAL)				
Fund 208 - PARK/RECREATION FUND:							
TOTAL REVENUES		32,218.53		27,686.98	11,437.67	4,531.55	85.93
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		32,218.53		237.00	0.00	31,981.53	0.74
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		0.00		27,449.98	11,437.67	(27,449.98)	100.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE		14,334.06		14,334.06			
END FUND BALANCE		14,334.06		41,784.04			
Fund 209 - CEMETERY							
000.000		18,300.00		15,150.00	0.00	3,150.00	82.79
TOTAL REVENUES		18,300.00		15,150.00	0.00	3,150.00	82.79
210.000 - ADMINISTRATION		3,000.00		3,000.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
567.000 - CEMETERY		15,300.00		8,571.08	0.00	6,728.92	56.02
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		18,300.00		11,571.08	0.00	6,728.92	63.23
Fund 209 - CEMETERY:							
TOTAL REVENUES		18,300.00		15,150.00	0.00	3,150.00	82.79
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		18,300.00		11,571.08	0.00	6,728.92	63.23
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		0.00		3,578.92	0.00	(3,578.92)	100.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE		4,895.74		4,895.74			
END FUND BALANCE		4,895.74		8,474.66			
Fund 248 - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY							
000.000		228,162.56		188,837.57	795.32	39,324.99	82.76
TOTAL REVENUES		228,162.56		188,837.57	795.32	39,324.99	82.76
210.000 - ADMINISTRATION		129,722.38		105,781.63	2,996.07	23,940.75	81.54
465.000 - WINTER MAINTENANCE		22,415.00		17,598.95	2,515.92	4,816.05	78.51
479.000 - MAINTENANCE		16,337.56		16,682.37	914.88	(344.81)	102.11
999.000 - TRANSFER TO OTHER ACCTS/UNITS		59,687.62		59,687.62	0.00	0.00	100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		228,162.56		199,750.57	6,426.87	28,411.99	87.55
Fund 248 - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:							
TOTAL REVENUES		228,162.56		188,837.57	795.32	39,324.99	82.76
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		228,162.56		199,750.57	6,426.87	28,411.99	87.55
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		0.00		(10,913.00)	(5,631.55)	10,913.00	100.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE		146,038.75		146,038.75			
END FUND BALANCE		146,038.75		135,125.75			

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GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26		YTD BALANCE 03/31/2026	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/2026		AVAILABLE BALANCE	% BDGT USED
		AMENDED BUDGET	NORMAL (ABNORMAL)		INCREASE (DECREASE)	NORMAL (ABNORMAL)		
Fund 249 - SURPLUS PROPERTY FUND								
000.000		27,854.25	23,000.00	23,000.00	0.00	4,854.25	82.57	
	TOTAL REVENUES	27,854.25	23,000.00	23,000.00	0.00	4,854.25	82.57	
210.000	- ADMINISTRATION	10,262.25	7,822.42	7,822.42	0.00	2,439.83	76.23	
999.000	- TRANSFER TO OTHER ACCTS/UNITS	17,592.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,592.00	0.00	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	27,854.25	7,822.42	7,822.42	0.00	20,031.83	28.08	
Fund 249 - SURPLUS PROPERTY FUND:								
	TOTAL REVENUES	27,854.25	23,000.00	23,000.00	0.00	4,854.25	82.57	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	27,854.25	7,822.42	7,822.42	0.00	20,031.83	28.08	
	NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES	0.00	15,177.58	15,177.58	0.00	(15,177.58)	100.00	
	BEG. FUND BALANCE	74,096.95	74,096.95	74,096.95				
	END FUND BALANCE	74,096.95	89,274.53	89,274.53				
Fund 299 - RV PARK / VISITOR CENTER								
000.000		2,800.00	2,087.88	2,087.88	0.00	712.12	74.57	
	TOTAL REVENUES	2,800.00	2,087.88	2,087.88	0.00	712.12	74.57	
193.000	- INSURANCE	485.00	485.00	485.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	
210.000	- ADMINISTRATION	2,315.00	9.99	9.99	0.00	2,305.01	0.43	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,800.00	494.99	494.99	0.00	2,305.01	17.68	
Fund 299 - RV PARK / VISITOR CENTER:								
	TOTAL REVENUES	2,800.00	2,087.88	2,087.88	0.00	712.12	74.57	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,800.00	494.99	494.99	0.00	2,305.01	17.68	
	NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES	0.00	1,592.89	1,592.89	0.00	(1,592.89)	100.00	
	BEG. FUND BALANCE	3,759.77	3,759.77	3,759.77				
	END FUND BALANCE	3,759.77	5,352.66	5,352.66				
Fund 590 - SEWER FUND								
000.000		5,147,130.58	2,148,854.37	2,148,854.37	90,672.41	2,998,276.21	41.75	
	TOTAL REVENUES	5,147,130.58	2,148,854.37	2,148,854.37	90,672.41	2,998,276.21	41.75	
193.000	- INSURANCE	1,427.00	1,427.00	1,427.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	
210.000	- ADMINISTRATION	91,546.99	69,102.02	69,102.02	6,093.78	22,444.97	75.48	
228.000	- COMPUTER CONSULTING	3,850.00	3,850.00	3,850.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	
255.000	- PROPERTY TAX SERVICES	5,466.35	479.64	479.64	0.00	4,986.71	8.77	



GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26 AMENDED BUDGET	YTD BALANCE 03/31/2026 NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/2026 INCREASE (DECREASE)	AVAILABLE BALANCE NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	% BUDGET USED
<b>Fund 590 - SEWER FUND</b>						
527.000	- WICSA PLANT O&M	380,100.00	253,399.60	0.00	126,700.40	66.67
531.000	- WICSA DEBT RETIREMENT	72,300.00	48,152.56	0.00	24,147.44	66.60
548.000	- SEWER MAINTENANCE	4,339,525.16	1,509,304.38	2,363.44	2,830,220.78	34.78
549.000	- LIFT STATION	20,311.08	16,416.42	399.23	3,894.66	80.82
906.000	- DEBT SERVICE	232,604.00	111,627.33	51,202.33	120,976.67	47.99
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>5,147,130.58</b>	<b>2,013,758.95</b>	<b>60,054.78</b>	<b>3,133,371.63</b>	<b>39.12</b>
<b>Fund 590 - SEWER FUND:</b>						
	<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>5,147,130.58</b>	<b>2,148,854.37</b>	<b>90,672.41</b>	<b>2,998,276.21</b>	<b>41.75</b>
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>5,147,130.58</b>	<b>2,013,758.95</b>	<b>60,054.78</b>	<b>3,133,371.63</b>	<b>39.12</b>
	<b>NET OF REVENUES &amp; EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>135,095.42</b>	<b>30,617.63</b>	<b>(135,095.42)</b>	<b>100.00</b>
	<b>BEG. FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>9,322,550.35</b>	<b>9,322,550.35</b>			
	<b>END FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>9,322,550.35</b>	<b>9,457,645.77</b>			
<b>Fund 591 - WATER FUND</b>						
000.000	- WATER FUND	901,448.01	650,528.04	74,074.50	250,919.97	72.16
	<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>901,448.01</b>	<b>650,528.04</b>	<b>74,074.50</b>	<b>250,919.97</b>	<b>72.16</b>
193.000	- INSURANCE	5,320.00	5,320.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
210.000	- ADMINISTRATION	102,847.00	67,963.16	6,043.21	34,883.84	66.08
228.000	- COMPUTER CONSULTING	2,695.00	2,695.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
255.000	- PROPERTY TAX SERVICES	4,313.70	364.94	0.00	3,948.76	9.46
441.000	- PUBLIC WORKS	84,896.40	51,315.77	2,420.62	33,580.63	60.45
553.000	- WATER LINE CONSTRUCTION	364.88	364.88	0.00	0.00	100.00
556.000	- PUMP STATION	83,043.48	61,914.32	26.18	21,129.16	74.56
558.000	- WATER SERVICE	154,557.30	8,274.18	0.00	146,283.12	5.35
559.000	- WATER TANK	18,240.00	9,517.70	1,766.63	8,722.30	52.18
560.000	- HYDRANTS (MAINT)	2,075.25	2,151.22	212.77	(75.97)	103.66
561.000	- WATER METERS	10,000.00	7,190.75	0.00	2,809.25	71.91
906.000	- DEBT SERVICE	433,095.00	78,947.50	0.00	354,147.50	18.23



GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26		YTD BALANCE 03/31/2026	ACTIVITY FOR MONTH 03/31/2026	AVAILABLE BALANCE	% BUDGET USED
		AMENDED BUDGET	NORMAL (ABNORMAL)				
<b>Fund 591 - WATER FUND</b>							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES							
	901,448.01		296,019.42		10,469.41	605,428.59	32.84
<b>Fund 591 - WATER FUND:</b>							
TOTAL REVENUES							
	901,448.01		650,528.04		74,074.50	250,919.97	72.16
TOTAL EXPENDITURES							
	901,448.01		296,019.42		10,469.41	605,428.59	32.84
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES							
	0.00		354,508.62		63,605.09	(354,508.62)	100.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE							
	8,727,554.93		8,727,554.93				
END FUND BALANCE							
	8,727,554.93		9,082,063.55				
<b>Fund 661 - MOTOR POOL FUND</b>							
000.000							
TOTAL REVENUES							
	228,259.07		116,257.96		0.00	112,011.11	50.93
TOTAL EXPENDITURES							
	228,259.07		116,257.96		0.00	112,011.11	50.93
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES							
	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE							
	952,216.06		952,216.06				
END FUND BALANCE							
	952,216.06		886,615.39				
<b>Fund 756 - ABS SEAMLESS</b>							
000.000							
TOTAL REVENUES							
	0.00		296.15		0.00	(296.15)	100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES							
	0.00		296.15		0.00	(296.15)	100.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES							
	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE							
	16,346.67		16,346.67				
END FUND BALANCE							
	16,346.67		16,642.82				
<b>Fund 756 - ABS SEAMLESS:</b>							
TOTAL REVENUES							
	0.00		296.15		0.00	(296.15)	100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES							
	0.00		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES							
	0.00		296.15		0.00	(296.15)	100.00
BEG. FUND BALANCE							
	16,346.67		16,346.67				
END FUND BALANCE							
	16,346.67		16,642.82				
<b>TOTAL REVENUES - ALL FUNDS</b>							
	13,573,845.98		6,855,503.21		843,202.02	6,718,342.77	50.51
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS</b>							
	13,573,845.98		6,780,951.14		241,131.25	6,792,894.84	49.96
<b>NET OF REVENUES &amp; EXPENDITURES</b>							
	0.00		74,552.07		602,070.77	(74,552.07)	100.00
<b>BEG. FUND BALANCE - ALL FUNDS</b>							
	20,994,437.06		20,994,437.06				
<b>END FUND BALANCE - ALL FUNDS</b>							
	20,994,437.06		21,068,989.13				

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Goodman Law, P.C.  
305 N. 2nd Avenue  
Iron River, MI 49935  
+19062145027

Name: TE

INVOICE

BILL TO

Iron River City  
106 W Genesee Street  
Iron River, Michigan 49935

INVOICE # 2628  
DATE 03/01/2026  
DUE DATE 03/31/2026  
TERMS Net 30

DATE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
03/04/2026	Review/respond to email correspondence with city clerk regarding Quit Claim Deed and planning commission documents.	0.50	180.00	90.00
03/05/2026	Revise proposed Planning Commission Bylaws; email to City Clerk.	0.50	180.00	90.00
03/06/2026	Review City Manager email; set up meeting date.	0.25	180.00	45.00
03/10/2026	Letter to Register of Deeds	0	180.00	0.00
03/18/2026	Review recorded Quit Claim Deed; mail deed and Property Transfer Affidavit to purchaser and assessor; email copies to City Clerk.	0	180.00	0.00
03/18/2026	Review Meeting Agenda and attend monthly city meeting.	1.25	180.00	225.00
03/24/2026	Conference with City Manager and Mayor.	3	180.00	540.00
03/24/2026	Review and discuss Client's legal project list.	0.50	180.00	90.00
03/24/2026	Review and draft summary; email to Client regarding status of Brownfield Redevelopment Authority project.	0.75	180.00	135.00
03/26/2026	Review/respond to email correspondence regarding Global Response building sale.	0.50	180.00	90.00
03/30/2026	Review Michigan Record Retention Policy, FOIA, OPM. Drafting Resolution regarding meeting minute retention policy.	1.25	180.00	225.00
03/31/2026	Research and review ordinances related to blight enforcement; Draft explanatory email to Client with regarding same.	2.25	180.00	405.00
03/31/2026	Review email regarding property bid proposal, revise.	0.50	180.00	90.00
				Subtotal: 2,025.00
03/10/2026	EXPENSES Iron County Register of Deeds - Trust Ck# 3921	1	30.00	30.00

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BALANCE DUE

\$2,055.00

# U.P. Championship Rodeo Sponsorship Agreement

## Business Information

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail (Sponsor Tickets Sent To): \_\_\_\_\_  
Web page: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorizing Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Sponsorship Package

- Headline Sponsor.....\$5,000  
 Event Sponsor.....\$2,500  
Number your preference 1-8 on which event you want to sponsor  
\_\_\_\_ Bareback Riding \_\_\_\_ Saddle Bronc Riding \_\_\_\_ Steer Wrestling \_\_\_\_ Team Roping  
\_\_\_\_ Tie Down Roping \_\_\_\_ Breakaway Roping \_\_\_\_ Barrel Racing \_\_\_\_ Bull Riding
- Chute Sponsor.....\$1,500  
 Parade Sponsor.....\$1,500  
 Arena Sponsor.....\$500  
 Friend of the Rodeo Sponsor.....\$499 or less  
 Challenge Sponsor.....\$1,000  
Number your preference 1-3 on which performance you want to sponsor  
\_\_\_\_ Friday 7:30 p.m. Rodeo \_\_\_\_ Saturday 1 p.m. Rodeo \_\_\_\_ Saturday 7:30 p.m. Rodeo
- Presenting Video Board Sponsor.....\$7,500       Video Board Commercials.....\$1,500  
 Video Board Timing Clock.....\$2,500       Video Board Leaderboard.....\$1,500  
 Video Board Replays.....\$2,000       Video Board Kiss/Fan Cam.....\$1,000  
Number your preference 1-3 on which fan cam you want to sponsor  
\_\_\_\_ Kiss Cam      \_\_\_\_ Dance Cam      \_\_\_\_ Beer Chug

## Important Information

Ad requirements: Sponsor is required to furnish camera-ready copy or copy components no later than April 15th - 1920 x 1080 in size or larger. JPG or PNG files can be accepted. Video Board sponsors must submit a digital copy of your logo in .png or .jpeg format. Commercials need to be 1920 x 1080 formatted in .mp4. Email videoboard logos and commercials to [info@uprodeo.com](mailto:info@uprodeo.com) by April 15th.

\*Flags, Banners and Chute Signs: Will be provided by U.P. Rodeo. If we need to order you one, we will be in contact with you for information. Banners will be no larger than 2' x 6', flags will be no larger than 2' x 3'.

Questions: Call Bernadette Coates 906-284-9680 or Caitlyn Looby 715-923-3265  
Or email [info@uprodeo.com](mailto:info@uprodeo.com)

Please Mail this form and check to:      U.P. Rodeo Inc.  
105 Theodore Street  
Iron River, MI 49935

**DEADLINE IS APRIL 15, 2026 – Any sponsorships received after this date are appreciated but not guaranteed all sponsor benefits.**

Vendor Code Post Date	Vendor Name Activity	Inv/Check #	Description	Invoice Amt	Check Amt
UP RODEO	UP RODEO, INC.				
07/01/2023	INVOICE	2023	2023 CITY CONTRIBUTION	2,500.00	
07/07/2023	CHECK	WELLS 55455			5,000.00
07/07/2023	CHECK	WELLS 55456			2,500.00
07/03/2024	INVOICE	2024	2024 CITY CONTRIBUTION	5,000.00	
07/03/2024	CHECK	WELLS 56530			5,000.00
07/01/2025	INVOICE	2025	2025 CITY CONTRIBUTION	5,000.00	
07/11/2025	CHECK	WELLS 57615			5,000.00
07/11/2025	CHECK	WELLS 57616			
Total:				22,000.00	22,000.00
Net of 5 Invoices / 5 Checks					
Grand Total 5 invoices and 5 checks for				22,000.00	22,000.00

**U.P. Rodeo Inc.**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 October 2024 through September 2025

	Oct '24 - Sep 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
BEER	14,540.00
CONCESSIONS	
Lemonade Stand	4,517.00
Popcorn & Cotton Candy	3,924.25
CONCESSIONS - Other	5,342.20
Total CONCESSIONS	13,783.45
DONATIONS	75.00
INTEREST	3,814.48
MARKET DAYS	990.00
MERCHANDISE INCOME	
Man Up Crusade	716.00
Rodeo Merch	1,680.00
TETWP Merch	695.30
MERCHANDISE INCOME - Other	4,372.00
Total MERCHANDISE INCOME	7,463.30
MISCELLANEOUS	0.00
PARADE	120.00
PARKING	6,080.75
QUEENS	4,833.00
RODEO TICKET SALES	80,256.54
SPONSORS-Rodeo	
Parade Sponsorship	14,273.11
Headline Sponsor	8,278.03
Event Sponsor	6,000.00
Chute Sponsor	9,000.00
Challenge Sponsorship	2,000.00
Arena Sponsorships	8,500.00
Friends of the Rodeo Sponsors	1,350.00
Total SPONSORS-Rodeo	49,401.14
SPONSORS-Video Board	
Presenting Video Board Sponsor	7,500.00
Video Commercial	1,500.00
Leader Board Sponsor	1,000.00
Total SPONSORS-Video Board	10,000.00
VENDORS	2,490.00
Total Income	193,847.66
Gross Profit	193,847.66
Expense	
Gas & Oil	181.04
ADVERTISING	28,324.14
BANK/CREDIT CARD FEES	267.99
BEER EXPENSE	4,480.50
BOARD MEMBER SHIRTS EXPENSE	304.73
CONCESSIONS EXPENSE	3,629.40
DONATION EXPENSE	10,500.88
DUES & ASSOCIATION FEES	253.00
SALES & USE TAX EXPENSE	1,772.22
GARBAGE DISPOSAL	325.00
GROUNDS RENTAL	1,000.00
INTERNET EXPENSES	628.26
MARKET DAYS EPXENSE	500.00

**U.P. Rodeo Inc.**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 October 2024 through September 2025

	Oct '24 - Sep 25
<b>MERCHANDISE EXPENSE</b>	
TETWP Merchandise Expense	580.00
MERCHANDISE EXPENSE - Other	4,683.00
<b>Total MERCHANDISE EXPENSE</b>	<b>5,263.00</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE</b>	144.99
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,457.65
PARADE EXPENSE	13,595.00
PERMITS & FEES EXPENSE	20.00
POSTAGE	471.73
QUEENS EXPENSE	2,505.59
<b>RODEO EXPENSE</b>	
Photography/Videography	1,600.00
Security	7,721.60
Hospitality Expense	6,032.86
Veterinarian Expense	750.00
Banners/Flags	719.92
Bleacher Rental	3,860.00
Chutes & Panels	733.78
Cowboy Purse/Buckles	27,647.34
Grounds & Maintenance	4,128.93
Insurance	6,159.00
Judges Fees	1,800.00
Sanction Fees	1,250.00
Sound System	1,000.00
Video Board	20,394.00
Specialty Acts	4,225.00
Stock Contractor	32,648.00
Tickets/Wristbands	279.43
<b>Total RODEO EXPENSE</b>	<b>120,949.86</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>196,554.98</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>-2,707.32</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Other Income</b>	
Equipment Sales	1,700.00
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>1,700.00</b>
<b>Other Expense</b>	
Economic Impact Analysis	21,000.00
Grounds Updates	7,080.47
Equipment Upgrades	10,100.00
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>38,160.47</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>-36,460.47</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-39,167.79</b>

*Classic Farm Machinery Club of Iron County*

*Father's Day Car and Tractor Show*

Representatives Fred and Linda Hauser of the Classic Farm Machinery Club of Iron County met with Chief Harrington and I regarding the use of Genesee Street for their annual Father's Day Car and Tractor Show. This is a huge draw of people from all over that come to our City. They have a true heart for our community. They also host the Car show every Tuesday night in August.

Last year, numbers were down due to rain. This is their 5<sup>th</sup> year since they've taken it over, and the 48<sup>th</sup> year overall. Since moving to Genesee Street, it continues to grow. The number of people that come to our City are many!

They are requesting sponsorship to help pay for expenses such as advertising, banners, flyers, DJ/announcer, porta-poddy's, etc. After all bills are paid, proceeds from their events (including the corn and brat feet after the Rodeo Parade) go to two scholarships for graduating high school students (one from WIC and one from Forest Park). Last year, the City sponsored \$2,000 and the DDA sponsored \$1,500.

**FATHER'S DAY**   
**CAR & TRACTOR SHOW**



**Downtown Genesee St  
Iron River, MI**

**SATURDAY CRUISE FEST**

**5PM-8PM**

**Cruise Downtown Genesee St  
Blessing Of The Cars  
50's-60's Music And Dancing  
Prize For Best 50's-60's Costume  
Food Vendors Family Fun**

**SUNDAY CAR & TRACTOR SHOW 12PM-3PM**

**Vehicle Registration Starts At 10am  
Registration Fee \$10  
Raffle Prizes/ 50/50 Drawings  
50's-60's Music  
Food Vendors  
Free Admission  
Everyone Welcome**

**For More Information Call  
Fred at 262-914-2316**

*Hosted by Classic Farm Machinery Club of IC*

***AT&T Lease Agreement***

***Reagan Avenue Water Tank***

I received the attached letter from MD7 regarding our lease that will be expiring with AT&T on May 31, 2030. We received a similar letter in 2015 in which the City declined. We are currently receiving \$3,770.81/month for this lease (which is set to increase by 3% in July). MD7 is proposing a \$3,215 (\$555.81/month decrease). Please read the attached letter for additional information.

I asked Ms. Gallo, MD7 Lease Consultant, what, in her opinion would be the benefit for the City to accept this revised figure and new terms. Here is her response:

“From an industry standpoint, carriers regularly review their site portfolios to ensure each location aligns with the current network needs. Many legacy agreements were established under very different conditions, and part of the renewal process involves bringing these agreements more in line with the current and predicted future environment. The proposed adjustment in financial terms is to help align the current lease with the continuation of a stable, long-term relationship moving forward, while also ensuring the payments remain reliable from the City’s perspective.”

***Current Lease Agreement – June 2005:***

- 5-year term (ends 2010), Auto Renew four additional periods of 5 years (2030)
- 3% increase each July

***First Amendment to Lease – August 2018:***

- Installation of additional equipment - \$1,000/month increase

***Second Amendment to Lease – August 2019:***

- Increased Premises Area (Generator Installation) - \$86/month increase



950 West Bethany Drive  
Suite 700  
Allen, TX 75013

February 2, 2026

City of Iron River  
Attn: Rachel Andreski  
160 W. Genesee St.  
Iron River, MI 49935

Re: AT&T Lease Expiration Program  
FA # 10125841 / Lease ID: 111213  
Site Address: 75 Reagan Avenue, Iron River, MI 49935

Dear Landlord,

As you are aware, AT&T Mobility ("AT&T") has partnered with MD7, LLC ("MD7") to work with you to facilitate certain modifications to the cell site lease on your property. These modifications will allow AT&T to meet current business requirements and enhance your site's value to the network. AT&T has asked MD7 to provide services in administering AT&T's Lease Expiration Program (LEP). MD7 has been authorized by AT&T to correspond and discuss how the LEP program may be of benefit to you.

#### **Changes in the Wireless Industry**

Recent industry developments are changing how wireless telecommunications carriers operate. In the past, carriers focused on rapidly building out their networks in order to provide the best coverage. Today, while consumers are enjoying greater services and better coverage than ever before, operating costs continue to escalate. As a result, the wireless industry is also focusing on operating networks as efficiently as possible.

#### **What does this mean to me?**

AT&T would like to work together with you in extending the current lease which is set to expire on May 31, 2030. AT&T is willing to offer the following modifications to secure a longer-term lease with you:

- Commencing **6/1/2026**: Adjust rent to a revised figure of **\$3,215.00 per month** based on regional market analysis and operational performance statistics.
- Rent will remain fixed until **6/1/2030**. On this date, and every five years thereafter, a **15%** escalator will take effect and be set into place until the termination or expiration of the lease.
- Extend the life of the lease with up to 5 renewal terms (1 term is equal to 5 years).

Or

- **Lump Sum Payment Option:** Provide a one-time lump sum payment of **\$767,000.00**. In return, you will grant a perpetual easement on your property and assign the lease rights and rental income under your lease with AT&T to MD7 or an affiliate of MD7.

It is important for you to know that the pre-payment does not change the ownership or control of the rest of your property in any manner.

In order to achieve the necessary lease flexibility required for upcoming technological shifts, the following language must be inserted into the existing lease:

- **Expansion of Permitted Use**

"Tenant, its personnel, invitees, contractors, agents, subtenants, or its authorized subtenants, or assigns may use the Premises, at no additional cost or expense, for the transmission and reception of any and all communications signals and to modify, supplement, replace, upgrade, expand, including but not limited to the number and type(s) of antennas, or refurbish the equipment and/or improvements thereon or relocate the same within the Premises at any time during the term of the Agreement for any reason, or in order to be in compliance with any current or future federal, state or local mandated application, including but not limited to emergency 911 communication services, or for any other reason. Landlord shall reasonably cooperate in obtaining governmental and other use permits or approvals necessary or desirable for the foregoing permitted use. If Landlord does not comply with the terms of this section, in addition to any other rights it may have at law, Tenant may terminate the Agreement and shall have no further liability to Landlord. If Landlord does not comply with the terms of this section, Tenant will have the right to exercise any and all rights that may be available to it under law and equity, including the right to cure Landlord's default and to deduct the costs of such cure from any monies due to Landlord from Tenant."

AT&T values its affiliation with you and hopes to continue a long and mutually profitable relationship for years to come. Participation in this program is optional and AT&T will continue to abide by the terms of the existing agreement, including AT&T's rights to not extend the existing lease agreement. After having reviewed this proposal, please contact me within 10 business days to discuss further.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Abby Gallo

**Lease Consultant**

d: (469) 421-7758

e: agallo@md7.com

**MD7 | Authorized Agent for AT&T Mobility**

Submission of this letter does not constitute a modified agreement and is only a proposal. The parties acknowledge and agree that they intend to be bound only upon the execution of an amendment detailing the provisions herein.

*Set Date and Time for Public Hearing for FY26-27 Budget*

Per City Charter, a draft of the Budget must be delivered on or before May 1<sup>st</sup> with it being adopted on or before June 1<sup>st</sup>.

We must hold a public hearing prior to the adoption of the budget, which could be scheduled for our Regular Meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup>. In prior years, we held a workshop with Treasurer Amanda present prior to the public hearing. We can do that again if you choose.



March 14, 2026

Rachel Andreski, City Manager  
City of Iron River  
106 Genessee Street  
Iron River, Michigan 49935

Dear Rachel:

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to again propose on your auditing services. We are excited about this opportunity to continue providing services to your organization. Below is a summary of the services and the proposed fee. If you have any questions about our offerings, please do not hesitate to contact me at 920-455-4132 or email at [scott.sternhagen@CLAconnect.com](mailto:scott.sternhagen@CLAconnect.com).

### Fees for professional services

Our fees are based on the timely delivery of the services provided, and the experience of personnel assigned to the engagement. Based on past work with you, we propose our fees will not exceed the following for the years ending June 30.

Services	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Perform an audit of the financial statements for the City	\$22,000	\$22,650	\$23,330	\$24,050	\$25,000
Preparation of State Financial Report F-65	\$2,000	\$2,050	\$2,100	\$2,150	\$2,200
Preparation of ADARS report	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$1,370	\$1,400	\$1,500
Technology and Client Support Fee (5%)*	\$1,265	\$1,300	\$1,340	\$1,380	\$1,435
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$26,565</b>	<b>\$27,300</b>	<b>\$28,140</b>	<b>\$28,980</b>	<b>\$30,135</b>
Federal Single Audit if applicable	\$7,500	\$7,800	\$8,100	\$8,400	\$8,700

*\*Like most firms, we are investing heavily in technology to enhance the client experience, protect our data environment, and deliver quality services. We believe our clients deserve clarity around fees, and we will continue to be transparent with our fee structure.*

These fees include professional fees and expenses.

Our fees do not anticipate unusual or unforeseen circumstances. Before the scope of our work is changed for any unanticipated circumstances or events, we will inform you of the change and related change in fee.

CLA has a very open fee philosophy with our clients, and will work with you to establish a mutually acceptable fee arrangement for any future or special project engagements. We reiterate our strong interest in continuing to provide you the quality of service and support that will help you achieve your goals. If at any time you have a question concerning our services or fees, please call it to our attention so that we can discuss it.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Scott Sternhagen, CPA, Principal

*Last year (2025 audit) = \$26,295.80*

*New Polling Location – New City Hall*

Per Michigan law, the legislative body of a city is responsible for establishing each jurisdiction's polling places at least 60 days prior to each election. We would like to change the polling location from the old City Hall building to the New City Hall.

We would recommend changing the polling location from 106 W. Genesee Street to 801 W. Adams Street.

***Lease Agreement – Iron River Visitors Center and  
Management Agreement – Klint Safford Memorial RV Park.***

Both of our Agreements for the Klint Safford Memorial RV Park and Lease Agreement for the Iron River Visitor's Center with the ICECA will be expiring soon. I met with Zach from the ICECA on April 7<sup>th</sup> to review the language. I have indicated the changes by ~~striking through~~ the old language and ***defined the new language with bold and italics.***

The only changes are updating the dates and changing the rent to reflect current rate of what is current by the adjustment by the Consumer Price Index, which is 3.3%.

# LEASE AGREEMENT

## Iron River Visitors Center

This lease agreement between the City of Iron River, a municipal corporation of the State of Michigan, located at 106 W. Genesee Street, Iron River, Michigan, 49935, herein after refer to as "Lessor" and the Iron County Chamber of Commerce, a Michigan, not for profit corporation, located at 50 E. Genesee Street, Iron River, Michigan, 49935, herein after refer to as "Lessee". The following terms constitute the lease agreement:

- A. The leased premise is located at 50 E. Genesee Street adjacent to the Klint Safford Memorial RV Park. The building is intended for office space for the Lessee and for use in conjunction with the operation and management of the RV Park. The Lessor, after ascertaining availability, reserves the right to use the lower level of the building for public events.
- B. The Lessee shall pay rent to the Lessor in the annual amount of ~~\$2,500.00~~ \$2,875.72 paid in quarterly installments of ~~\$625.00~~ \$718.93 in advance, of July 15, October 15, January 15, and April 15 of each year. The annual rent shall be adjusted to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index as compiled by the U.S. Department of Labor Statistics in April of even years during the duration of this Lease Agreement.
- C. The Lessee shall cause all utilities, including but not limited to: electricity, water, sewer, solid waste disposal, natural gas, cable, and internet access to be placed in the name of the Iron County Chamber of Commerce. The Lessee shall pay all utility invoices within 15 days of receipt.
- D. The Lessor shall maintain and keep in good repair the building, and mechanical systems, to wit: HVAC, plumbing, and electrical systems. The Lessee shall maintain and keep in good order the working quarters and provide for janitorial services.
- E. The term of this Lease Agreement shall be for 10 years beginning July 1, ~~2016~~ 2026, and ending June 30, ~~2026~~ 2036. The Lessee shall have an option to renew this Lease Agreement for an additional term of 1 to 10 years upon giving to the Lessor, 180 days before the expiration of this Lease Agreement, notice of its intent to exercise the option.
- F. Either party may terminate this Lease Agreement, with or without cause, upon giving to the other, 180 days written notice.
- G. The Lessor shall continue insuring the leasehold premises for general liability and property damage under its umbrella insurance policy. The Lessee shall carry such general liability insurance with respect to its functions as Lessee hereunder as it deems necessary and appropriate. If the Lessee carries such insurance, then the Lessee shall use reasonable efforts to procure from each insurer under its policies of excess liability insurance a waiver of all right of subrogation which insurer might otherwise have against the Lessor.
- H. The parties agree that the Lessee is an independent contractor and is solely responsible for all wages, taxes, and insurance obligations growing out of employment of individuals under either State or Federal law.

- I. All notices referred to in this Lease Agreement shall be deemed to be sufficiently given if in writing and sent by United States mail to Lessor or Lessee, as the case may be, at their respective business addresses here set forth or at such other address or addresses as either party shall hereafter designate by written notice to the other party or hand carried to duly authorized officers of the parties hereto.
- J. This Lease Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, pertaining to the subject matter hereof and contains the entire understanding of the parties. This Lease Agreement may not be changed or modified orally, but only by written instrument signed by duly authorized officers of the parties hereto.
- K. Should any section or any part of any section of this Lease Agreement be rendered void, invalid, or unenforceable, for any reason by any court of law exercising competent jurisdiction, such a determination shall not render void, invalid, or unenforceable any other section or any part of any section in this Lease Agreement.
- L. The Visitor Center is an asset of the Lessor and it is the Lessor's responsibility to assure that the asset's value is maintained. The Lessor retains the right to enter the premise during normal business hours of the Lessee to inspect the premise and at all hours to make necessary repairs to the premise.
- M. This Lease Agreement cannot be assigned to another without the express written authorization of the Lessor.
- N. This Lease Agreement is binding on the Lessor and is binding on the Lessee and future successors of the Lessee throughout the duration of the Agreement.

Agreed to on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

For the Lessor:

For the Lessee:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Director

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# MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

## Klint Safford Memorial RV Park

This management agreement between the Iron County Chamber of Commerce, a Michigan, not for profit corporation, located at 50 E. Genesee Street, Iron River, Michigan, 49935, herein after refer to as "Manager" and the City of Iron River, a municipal corporation of the State of Michigan, located at 106 W. Genesee Street, Iron River, Michigan, 49935, herein after refer to as "City" is entered into to maximize the economic impact of the RV Park with the commerce of the Iron River community. Greater utilization and occupancy of the RV Park will directly benefit local businesses while creating a financial base to support the Manager and its mission. The following terms implements this Agreement:

- A. The Manager shall be responsible for the full operation, maintenance, and management of the RV Park. The Manager shall be responsible for the full cost of said operations and maintenance. The Manager is entitled to retain all revenues in excess of expenses. The Manager shall market the Park to maximize occupancy. The Manager shall make improvements that enhance the camping experience at the park. The Manager shall work to continuously improve the aesthetics of the park. The Manager shall set aside a portion of the excess revenues for future capital projects.
- B. The Manager shall cause all utilities, including but not limited to: electricity, water, sewer, solid waste disposal, natural gas, cable, and internet access to be placed in the name of the Iron County Chamber of Commerce. The Manager shall pay all utility invoices within 15 days of receipt.

The Manager shall maintain and keep current any and all licenses or permits required by the State or Federal Government for the operation of a recreational vehicle park, including, but limited to: Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Campground License.

- C. Services requested from the City will be billed at cost (time, material and equipment).
- D. The City will annually inspect the park in September of each year to assure the City's asset is being maintained to preserve its value. Within 30 days following inspection, the City shall inform the Manager, in writing, of any defects or practices that all inconsistent with this Agreement.
- E. The City will maintain and repair the utility infrastructure which is located below grade unless such service is required due to negligence by the Manager. The City will turn off and on the water leading to the park after the lines have been drained and winterized in the Fall and after the lines have been inspected and readied for the Spring. The Manager may contract with the City for said preparation services at its option. The City is responsible for testing the water supply.
- F. The City shall continue insuring the park for general liability and property damage under its umbrella insurance policy. The Manager shall carry such general liability insurance with respect to its functions as Manager hereunder as it deems necessary and appropriate. If the Manager carries such insurance, then the Manager shall use reasonable efforts to procure from each insurer under its policies of excess liability insurance a waiver of all right of subrogation which insurer might otherwise have against the City.

- G. The Manager and the City may agree, in writing, to participate and share in cost of any capital projects that will enhance, preserve, or maintain the value of the RV Park.
- H. The Manager shall submit an annual report, in writing, to the City within 30 days of the close of the calendar year providing a detailed financial accounting for the previous camping season. The report shall highlight improvements made to the park and list future improvements that are required.
- I. The parties agree that the Manager is an independent contractor and is solely responsible for all wages, taxes, and insurance obligations growing out of employment of individuals under either State or Federal law.
- J. All notices referred to in this Agreement shall be deemed to be sufficiently given if in writing and sent by United States mail to City or Manager, as the case may be, at their respective business addresses here set forth or at such other address or addresses as either party shall hereafter designate by written notice to the other party or hand carried to duly authorized officers of the parties hereto.
- K. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, pertaining to the subject matter hereof and contains the entire understanding of the parties. This Agreement may not be changed or modified orally, but only by written instrument signed by duly authorized officers of the parties hereto.
- L. Should any section or any part of any section of this Agreement be rendered void, invalid, or unenforceable, for any reason by any court of law exercising competent jurisdiction, such a determination shall not render void, invalid, or unenforceable any other section or any part of any section in this Agreement.
- M. The term of this Agreement is for 10 years beginning May 1, ~~2016~~, **2026** and concluding April 30, ~~2026~~ **2036**. The Manager may request in writing an extension, continuance, or renewal of the management agreement one year before the expiration of this Agreement.
- N. Either party may terminate this Agreement, with or without cause, upon giving to the other, one year's written notice.
- O. The RV Park property is an asset of the City and it is the City's responsibility to assure that the asset's value is maintained. The City retains the right to enter and inspect the park throughout the year and report to the Manager any concerns that might arise.
- P. This Agreement cannot be assigned to another without the express written authorization of the City.
- Q. This Agreement is binding on the City throughout the duration of the Agreement and is binding on future successors of the Manager.

Agreed to on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

For the City:

For the Manager:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Manager

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Director

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### *Driveway Ordinance*

When the new Zoning Ordinance was adopted, driveway language was accidentally omitted. The Planning Commission approved the attached language, held a Public Hearing on April 9<sup>th</sup> and approved the recommendation to City Council to also approve.

Per City Ordinance, we must first introduce the proposed ordinance, then, schedule a public hearing. The notice will be published in accordance with our ordinance.

We can schedule the public hearing prior to the next regular meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

## 6.2.5 Driveways

### A. Residential

1. Single-car driveways in all residential districts shall be a minimum of ten feet in width.
2. Double-car driveways in all residential districts shall be a minimum of eighteen feet in width.
3. Driveways may not be located within 30 feet of a street intersection. Driveways must be a minimum distance of five feet from a side or rear lot line unless an application is made for a joint driveway with an adjacent premise.
4. Residential driveways and curb cuts must be approved through a Land Use Permit prior to construction.
5. Driveways to single-family dwellings shall be located in the greater side yard setback.

### B. Commercial and Industrial

1. Driveways shall be designed to accommodate the type and volume of vehicular traffic using the site and located in a manner that is compatible with uses located adjacent to and across from the site.
2. Single-lane (truck access) driveways shall be a minimum of fifteen feet in width and no wider than twenty feet.
3. Two-lane (truck access) driveways shall be a minimum of thirty feet in width and no wider than forty feet.
4. Apron width may extend beyond the driveway for smooth entry/exit.
5. The Planning Commission, depending on the commercial or industrial land use and its circulation requirements, may adjust these requirements based on its site plan.
6. Properties having access to a state highway will require an access (driveway approach) permit from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT).

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### *Planning Commission Recommendation*

At the April 9, 2026, Planning Commission meeting, it was noted that Robert Byczek had reached his third consecutive absence. In accordance with the Commission's bylaw, which states, "If any member of the Commission is absent from three consecutive properly noticed meetings, then that member shall be considered delinquent. Delinquency shall be grounds for the Commission to recommend to the City Council to remove a member from the Commission for nonperformance of duty."

Based on this provision, the Planning Commission voted to recommend that Mr. Byczek be removed from his position due to nonperformance. The Commission also expressed that Mr. Byczek would be welcome to reapply in the future should he be able to commit to regular attendance.

### *Review Utility Billing Rates*

On March 25<sup>th</sup> I had provided to Council the attached review of our Utility Billing Rates.

## Review Utility Billing Rates

Per City Ordinance, I am to provide you, by April 1<sup>st</sup>, a utility billing rate analysis. The State Inflation Factor Rate was 2.7%. DPW and administration wages increased by 4% last year. The average of the two is 3.35%.

### Sewer Rates:

Bendzinski & Co performed the utility rate study for the Clean Water SRF (sewer manhole project) last year.

In order to repay the bond, we must increase the rate by a minimum of 4% each year. With this project, we are finding several sewer issues that cannot be done as part of the project utilizing contingency funds. As our auditor stated, it is good for us to have a little cushion, so we can do these projects without seeking alternative funding, especially in an emergency situation. I propose an additional 1% increase to cover DPW and administrative wages.

### Garbage Rates:

Per our contract with GFL, our rates are increasing \$12.15/month for pickup and \$1.23/ton for disposal. Previous management did not expense DPW or administrative time spent on garbage tasks, nor expenses such as postage or card stock for utility bills, software or DPW equipment (including the large item pick-up). We also pick up garbage in the DDA District and all City Parks. After discussions with Treasurer Amanda, this fund is also utilized for the brush pick-up. If we increased the rate by \$1.50, that would generate approximately \$27,500 that could be a start to recovering these expenses.

### Water Rates:

After a review of the water rates, we continue to sustain our operational costs, however, if we have a larger emergency, we won't be able to cover the costs without alternate funding. If we are also successful with the DWSRF, we would have a full water rate study by Bendzinski & Co.

	Current Flat Rate	Increase/Month	Proposed Flat Rate
Water	\$30.20	\$.80 (2.7%)	\$31.00
Garbage	\$13.00	\$1.50	\$14.50
Sewer	\$42.30	\$2.20 (5%)	\$44.50
Total	\$85.50	\$4.50	\$90.00

*If Council agrees with the above increases, these rates would be implemented July 1, 2026. It will be placed on the Agenda at next month's meeting for discussion or a workshop could be held for further discussion.*

## Clerk's Memo:

The following information has been received by the Clerk's Office and is available for review or copied upon request.

1. Iron River Housing Commission, January 27, 2026, Minutes
2. March 31, 2026, West Iron County Sewer Authority Agenda

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