

**City of Marquette Council Meeting**  
**Marquette City Hall**  
**Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 6:00PM**

Mayor Pro Tem Schneider called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 PM with roll call and pledge of allegiance. In attendance: Melver, Hemmer, Gilman. Absent: Cornell. Motion by Gilman, second by Hemmer to approve the consent agenda to include: agenda, 02/14/23 minutes, bills & claims from 02/15/23-03/14/23 of \$42,227.65, February bank reconciliations, treasurer's report, and budget report with \$61,060.76 in revenue and \$44,298.36 in expenses, and Delta 3 contract payment of \$640.00 for the UV project. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried.

Public Comment: Dennis Mason asked if there had been discussion with the casino about future plans for the walkway. No discussions have taken place to date. Casey Stickfort, the County Engineer, was in attendance to discuss improvement plans for B45 and estimated costs for city owned sections. The Farm to Market road taxes will be researched to see if the city is receiving funds for this area. No action was taken. Committee Reports: Construction for the UV project will begin end of March. DAWC reviewed their 2022 annual and February reports. Police provided a written report. Motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to hire Riley Whitney as summer intern at DAWC for \$11/hr. with costs reimbursed by the Friends Group. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried.

No action was required for wastewater summer classes. Motion by Gilman, second by Melver to approve Great River Lawn Care 2023 contract of \$4500 for fertilizing and weed control. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Tim Miller, Waste Management, presented a renewal contract for solid waste pick up with an increase from \$14.28 to \$18 per household per month. Residents are satisfied with the services provided. Motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to approve the 5-year contract with Waste Management for solid waste and recycle collection. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Council reviewed recommendations from Zoning regarding General Office & Retail (C2) District. Motion by Gilman, second by Hemmer to approve the first reading of Ordinance 427 that removes storage warehouses from the permitted accessory structures for C2 District. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to waive the second reading of Ordinance 427. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to approve the final reading of Ordinance 427 amending the Zoning Regulations for General Office and Retail (C-2) District. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Council discussed use of solar in residential area to limiting solar to roofs only. Council will gather input from the public prior to making any decisions.

Current solid waste fees are \$15/mo. for residential and \$17/mo. for commercial properties as implemented in 2008. However, based on the renewal contract council discussed increases. After discussion, motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to approve the first reading of Ordinance 428 to increase solid waste fees to \$19/mo. for residential and \$21/mo. for commercial properties effective May 1, 2023. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to waive the second reading of Ordinance 428. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to approve the final reading of Ordinance 428 approving Solid Waste fees. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Marquette did not budget for participation this year in the CCDG marketing campaign. However, CCDG wanted to be sure since they are preparing brochures, etc.

Council agreed to not participate this year. The fiscal year 23/24 Budget has been updated with the corrected valuations rates issued by the state. Motion by Gilman, second by Hemmer to set a public hearing for April 11, 2023 at 6PM for comments on the FY 23/24 Budget. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Hemmer, second by Gilman to post the part time positions for Depot and Public Works for the season. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Hemmer, second by Gilman to set Spring Clean up for Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 8-11AM. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion carried. Mayor ProTem report: Mayor Weipert has had some health issues and encourages everyone to keep him in their thoughts and prayers. Clerk Basemann provided updates on Iowa Great Places and current grants. Motion made by Mever, second by Hemmer to adjourn at 7:18 PM. All ayes, motion carried.

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Dave Schneider, Mayor ProTem

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Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk