

City of Marquette
Regular Council Meeting
Marquette City Hall
Tuesday, September 11, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Weipert asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of 17th anniversary of the attack on the Twin Towers and all those affected. Mayor Weipert by called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM with roll call and the pledge of allegiance. Brodie-Fitzgerald, Halvorson, Soulli, Ries and Young were present. Review of the consent agenda. **Motion** by Halvorson, second by Soulli to approve the consent agenda to include: agenda, 8/14/2018 meeting minutes, bills & claims in the amount of \$480,062.29, and August financial reports showing August Revenue as \$121,125.18 and August Expenditures of \$82,685.33. Public Comment from Tracy Melver inquiring about damage to the evacuation route from recent rains. Public Comment from Jolene Janson with Clayton County Energy District to thank the City Council for considering a solar project and encourages the use of clean energy. Proposal presentations were made by Kent Kraus with Eagle Point Solar and Kevin Dunbar with Atwood Electric to install solar panels on Well#4 in the Timber Ridge Subdivision. City Council would like to review the budget and discuss again next month. Jim Mason requested use of the evacuation route to remove logs from his property. **Motion** by Ries, second by Young to allow Jim Mason's logger to use the evacuation route as long as the City is provided proof of insurance, a personal guaranty that the road will be left in the same condition as before the project began, and pending approval from City of McGregor for use of the access on Eagle Dr. Roll Call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Brodie-Fitzgerald, second by Ries to select 2 times, one during work hours, and one in the evening, to open the evacuation route to allow one way traffic from Marquette to McGregor as an evacuation route trial run once the route has been repaired from recent rain. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. The City will contact Delta 3 Engineering and request a visit to review damage from rain.

Jim Mason asked that the Council reconsider the estimates for 2 turnarounds that were presented at the April 2018 meeting. He has talked to the contractor with the low bid to confirm that the estimate is still good. He would like the work to be done this fall. **Motion** by Ries, second by Brodie-Fitzgerald to approve \$11,750.00 for Bacon Concrete to install 2 turnarounds: one at 5th St. Court and one on Gardner St. Roll call vote. Ayes: Brodie-Fitzgerald, Halvorson, Ries, Young. Nays: Soulli. Motion Carried. Discussion was held on a manhole near the casino that needs repair.

Motion made by Brodie-Fitzgerald, Second by Halvorson to approve the proposal from Visu-Sewer for \$7,945.00 for manhole repair. Roll Call vote, all ayes, motion carried. City Council requested that research be done for installation of security cameras in City Hall and the community room entrance area. **Motion** made by Brodie-Fitzgerald, second by Halvorson to appoint Jeffrey L. Swartz with Swartz Law Firm as City Attorney. Roll Call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Wetland Centre reported that their board recommends winter hours during scheduled programming with no regular open hours scheduled. City Council gave verbal agreement with no vote.

Soulli asked for discussion on what can be done to solve drainage issues on Pleasant Ridge Road after excessive rain has caused damage to 13 homes. After discussion, the City will contact the County Engineer to review the area and request the Tree Committee review the Twin Bluffs area for recommendations. The Mayor thanked the staff and Chopper Thornton for the immediate response and efforts to assist with the clean up.


Motion made by Ries, second by Brodie-Fitzgerald to approve Martin Gardner Architect pay requests of \$799.07 and \$941.30 for services rendered for Depot Phase III Expansion project. Roll Call vote, all ayes, motion carried. After brief discussion, **Motion** by Halvorson, second by Soulli to approve **Resolution 18-27 Approving Social Media Policy**. Roll Call vote, all ayes, motion carried. **Motion** by Brodie-Fitzgerald, second by Halvorson to approve **Resolution 18-28** appointing Ryan Young to serve on the Mar Mac Police Commission for the remaining term through June 30, 2019. Roll Call vote, all ayes, motion carried

The Mayor asked for clarification “ the land adjacent” to the evacuation route as approved by Ordinance 404 last month. It was clarified to mean all city owned land in the area. **Motion** was made by Halvorson, second by Soulli to adjourn at 7:32 PM. Roll call vote: all ayes, motion carried.



Stephen Weipert, Mayor

Attest:



Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk