

**City of Marquette
Regular Council Meeting
Marquette City Hall
Tuesday March 10, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.**

Mayor Weipert called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with roll call and pledge of allegiance. Gilman, Schneider, Ries present. Halvorson and Young absent. **Motion** by Ries, second by Schneider to approve the consent agenda to include: agenda, 02/10/20 minutes, 03/02/20 minutes, bills & claims of \$53,538.44 from 02/11/20 to 03/10/20, February bank reconciliation, treasurer's report, budget report with \$92,471.95 in revenue and \$71,537.11 in expenses and liquor license renewal for Eagles Landing Winery. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Public comment: It was reported that the Action Club will sponsor the Marquette Reunion on July 24&25 and is accepting new members with regular meetings to be held. Dennis Mason may need to use an ATV for a prairie grass restoration project on the evacuation route and requests use of the community room for All Vets Day Celebration in November.

Committee Reports: Chamber is updating their website, provided the advertising plan and upcoming events. Police presented February call reports, sTEP starts Sat – St. Patrick's Day, next Drug Take Back event is April 24th, and coordination with DOT for traffic awareness is set for March fireworks. Public Works has put up Depot displays, prepping equipment for flood, and requesting bids on street projects. Water system treatments for radium are working so tests are now required at 3-year intervals and training for certifications is being coordinated for Marquette/McGregor employees. **Motion** by Schneider, second by Gilman to allow Chamber the use of the riverfront for Lazy River Wine & Beer Festival. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. **Motion** by Gilman, second by Schneider to approve liquor license for Lazy River Wine & Beer Festival. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. After review of event sponsorship options, **Motion** by Ries, second by Schneider to sponsor the Lazy River Wine & Beer Festival and GRRRR at \$501 for each event. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried.

The presence of all council members is favored for consideration of the sewer plant solar project. Sewer rates would need to be raised 21% to cover the 2019 deficit. **Motion** by Schneider, second by Gilman to table decision for use of solar at the sewer plant until March 17th at 6:00PM. **Motion** by Ries, second by Gilman, to approve **Resolution 20-07** appointing Laurie Mason to Zoning Commission for a term that expires 12/31/2021. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. **Motion** by Gilman, second by Schneider that Spring Clean Up be held April 25 from 8-11AM. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. **Motion** by Schneider, second by Ries to post available positions for seasonal help for the Depot and Parks. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Council reviewed contract from J&M Displays for fireworks for July 4th. **Motion** by Schneider, second by Gilman to approve J&M Displays contract of \$9,975 for fireworks. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried.

Mayor reported Soo Green will have an informational meeting about green energy transmission project along railroad right of way on March 23rd at Luana Savings Bank. Living Lands river clean up is being planned for May 1,2,3. The Senior Living Housing committee met with UERPC to begin discussions for the feasibility report. MSA has agreed to work without contract to propose retention pond locations along Pleasant Ridge Rd at a cost not to exceed \$2500. The Mayor and Clerk plan to attend a preconstruction meeting in LaCrosse on March 19th for information on the Hwy 18 bridge repairs project. **Motion** was made by Gilman, second by Schneider to adjourn at 6:46 PM. All ayes, motion carried.

Steve Weipert, Mayor

Attest:

Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk