

**City of Marquette  
Regular Council Meeting  
Marquette City Hall  
Tuesday April 14, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.**

In order to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, this meeting of Marquette City Council was held electronically. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code permits an electronic meeting where all members participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical, which is true during this crisis. The Proclamation of Disaster Emergency issued 3/19/2020 by Governor Reynolds included a suspension of Iowa laws that would prevent the use of electronic meetings or limit the number of people present at an in-person meeting site. Therefore, only Mayor Weipert and Clerk Basemann were present at city hall at 102 North St. The agenda was posted more than 24 hours in advance and available via social media to give instructions on how others could participate in the meeting.

Mayor Weipert called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with roll call. Halvorson, Ries, Schneider, and Young present. Gilman absent. **Motion** by Halvorson, second by Young to approve the consent agenda to include: agenda, 03/10/20 minutes, 03/17/20 minutes, bills & claims of \$149,359.59 from 03/11/20 to 04/14/20, March bank reconciliations, treasurer's report, budget report with \$77,211.82 in revenue and \$61,221.60 in expenses and liquor license renewal for Casino Queen. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Nathan Trappe was present to discuss road access to an 8+ acre lot for sale west of Thornton Lane. Chamber and Police provided written reports. Wetland Centre is closed until further notice but did received a \$1000 grant from Clayton County Foundation for the Future for the Nature Discovery Nook for Kids.

Motion by Halvorson, second by Schneider to approve **Resolution 20-09 Accepting Proposal for Financial Exam Services** to Kronlage & Olson, P.C. at rate of \$2490 for the 2019/2020 fiscal year, \$2540, and \$2590 for the following 2 fiscal years. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried.

**Motion** by Schneider, second by Young to approve **Resolution 20-10 awarding contract for sewer plant solar project** to Eagle Point Solar for \$308,700 for solar array to the west of the sewer plant. Roll call vote; ayes: Halvorson, Schneider, Young; nays: Ries; motion carried.

**Motion** by Halvorson, second by Schneider to hire Deidre Vick- Froelich and Linda Jones for seasonal positions at the Depot Museum at \$11/hour. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried. Opening date has not yet been determined.

**Motion** by Young, second by Halvorson to approve Great River Lawn Care contract of \$4000 for lawn fertilization and weed control for 2020 season. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried.

**Motion** by Halvorson, second, by Schneider to purchase 2 refrigerated bottle coolers for \$2398 from Wilson Restaurant Supply, Inc. for the park shelter. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried.

**Motion** by Young, second by Halvorson to set a public hearing for May 12, 2020 at 6:00PM for the 2019/2020 Budget Amendment. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried. Council reviewed language for Ordinance 411 for Flood Plain Regulations. **Motion** by Halvorson, second by Young to set a public hearing for May 12, 2020 at 6: 01PM to received comments on Ordinance 411 Amending Provisions Pertaining Flood Plain Regulations. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried. No public comment.

Mayor read a proclamation declaring April 24, 2020 as Arbor Day and stated that Clayton County has reported its first death related to the Covid-19 virus. Mayor encourages everyone to stay vigilant to keep everyone safe. There was a dog incident in Timber Ridge Subdivision. Mayor wants to remind all pet owners that it is unlawful for dogs to be at large in the corporate limits of the city which includes Timber Ridge Estates.

**Motion** was made by Halvorson, second by Schneider to adjourn at 7:21 PM. All ayes, motion carried.

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Steve Weipert, Mayor

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Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk