

**City of Marquette
Council Meeting
Marquette City Hall
Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 6:00PM**

Mayor Weipert called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with roll call and pledge of allegiance. In attendance: Gilman, Halvorson, Young, Schneider. Absent: Ries. Motion by Young, second by Halvorson to approve the consent agenda to include: agenda, 05/11/2021 minutes, bills & claims from 05/12/21-6/08/21 of \$107,257.73, May bank reconciliations, treasurer's report, budget report with \$95,196.68 in revenue and \$36,441.62 in expenses, and Casino Queen cigarette permit renewal. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Public Comment from Robert Vavra thanking the city for help at the marina. He requested rip rap and large rocks be placed to improve the shoreline and for help with flower care. Committee Reports: Public works reported the sewer main area has been graded & seeded, been mowing, and will be painting street lines. DAWC provided a written report and noted that they had a very busy month. Chamber submitted a written report. Police reported the new officer started field training on June 1st and will attend the academy that begins in August. Riverfront parking will be monitored for compliance. As reported last month, grant Funds from the sTEP program decreased because of insufficient traffic data. City of McGregor has agreed to cost share for radar speed signs to collect data needed for future grants. The 2 signs would become property of the police department. Motion by Schneider, second by Gilman to purchase from radarsign a TC-600 for \$3493.25. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Halvorson, second by Young to approve the liquor license application for Maiden Voyage Tours. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

The Wetland Centre would like to hire a summer intern. The Friends Group will reimburse the City for payroll costs. Motion by Schneider, second by Halvorson to publish a job posting for a summer internship at the Wetland Centre. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. The health insurance renewal rate has a 7.45% increase. Personnel Committee proposes to increase to the employee contributions \$15/mo for the family plan, and \$10/mo for single plan. Motion by Gilman, second by Young to approve Resolution 2021-10 for Employee Health and retirement benefits for FY 21/22. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Upon recommendation from the personnel committee, motion by Young, second by Schneider to approve Resolution 2021-11 setting employee compensation for the FY21/22. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Halvorson, second by Gilman to approve Resolution 2021-12 to approve transfer of funds for FY 20/21. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Halvorson, second by Gilman to approve the final reading and passage of Ordinance 422 An Ordinance to raise base fee for water from \$3.00 to \$4.00 effective 01/01/2022 and raise the base fee for sewer from \$8.25 to \$10.00 effective 07/01/2021. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried. Motion by Young, second by Gilman to approve the final reading and passage of Ordinance 423 an Ordinance changing zoning district classification from "C-1" highway commercial to "R-3" mixed residential for certain real estate in the City of Marquette. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Young, second by Schneider to approve the updated Zoning map. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

City requests an updated map & plans for the Soo Green transmission line and request the attorney review the proposed franchise agreement. Mayor reported savings of \$3000 last month from solar and had a promising visit with a potential developer for the housing project. Motion by Schneider, second by Halvorson to adjourn at 6:48 PM. All ayes, motion carried.

Attest:

Stephen Weipert, Mayor

Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk