

City of Marquette Council Meeting
Marquette City Hall
Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 6:00PM

Mayor Weipert called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with roll call and pledge of allegiance. In attendance: Cornell, Melder, Schneider and Gilman. Absent: Hemmer. The public hearing for the Comprehensive Smart Plan was opened. Larry Breuer suggested the plan include development of a city building code. Council suggested we research how other small towns address the issue and have the Zoning Committee review the idea. No other comments. Public hearing closed. Motion by Melder, second by Gilman to approve the Comprehensive Smart Plan. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Schneider, second by Cornell to approve consent agenda to include: agenda, 09/12/23 minutes, bills & claims from 09/13/23-10/10/23 of \$115,082.88, September reconciliations, treasurer's report, and budget report with \$133,743.04 in revenue, \$62,715.93 in expenses and liquor license renewal for Marquette Cafe. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

No public comment. Chamber provided updates on recent and upcoming events. Public works provided updates on projects and DAWC highlighted school programming and grants. Police provided a written report. There were 5 bids received for the sidewalk project to the new fishing pier location. Motion by Melder, second by Schneider to approve Resolution 2023-21 for award of construction bid for the fishing dock sidewalk to Bacon Concrete for \$39,635.00. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melder, second by Gilman to table Timber Ridge covenants amendment until November. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Schneider, second by Cornell to approve Brown Forestry to treat barberry this fall on the evacuation route for up to 15 acres @\$150/acre. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Per a citizen request, Council discussed creating a handicap boat trailer spot. Motion by Melder, second by Gilman to table the discussion for input from the Police Chief. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

The city received 3 responses from the Housing RFQ. Motion by Schneider, second by Cornell to select Delta 3 engineering to proceed with the housing project based on recommendation from the housing committee. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. The council agreed to move forward with developing an urban revitalization ordinance in order to offer tax abatement incentives for property improvements. Motion by Melder, second by Gilman to approve \$200 to support the After Prom Event. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melder, second by Gilman to approve the use of city property for the 2024 events. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Schneider, second by Cornell to approve Resolution 2023-22 to appoint Robert Millin to the E911 Board, with Tom Sauer as the alternate contact. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Melder, second by Gilman to approve Resolution 2023-23 approving the FY 22/23 Accountants Annual Review. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Schneider, second by Melder to approve Resolution 2023-24 approving financial institutions and officers authorized to sign checks. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Gilman, second by Schneider to

approve Resolution 2023-25 approving the city Fraud Policy. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Gilman to approve Resolution 2023-26 approving the city procurement policy. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor read the Halloween proclamation to establish trick or treat hours for Tuesday, October 31 from 4PM-7PM. Mayor informed council of a report filed by American Legion Post #305 with IPIB for Chapter 21, open meetings violation. A response letter has been submitted. The city has not received a reply from IPIB to date. Motion by Cornell, second by Melver to adjourn at 6:49PM. All ayes, motion carried.

Attest:

Stephen Weipert, Mayor

Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk