

City of Marquette
Regular Council Meeting
Marquette City Hall
Tuesday September 10, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Weipert called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with roll call and pledge of allegiance. Halvorson, Ries, and Soulli present. Young absent. **Motion** by Ries, second by Halvorson to approve the consent agenda to include: agenda, 8/13/19 minutes, bills & claims from 8/14/19 – 9/10/19 for \$649,795.88, August bank reconciliation, treasurer's report, and budget report with \$97,301.40 in revenue and \$49,787.19 in expenses. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Public comment by Larry Breuer suggesting possible vendor events at the community room to promote Marquette and asked Council to consider a part time event coordinator position. Council thanked Larry for his input and ideas and will follow up with the Chamber & Action Club to discuss additional event planning for Marquette.

Council considered 2 letters of interest for the vacant council seat. After discussion, motion by Ries, second by Halvorson to appoint Dave Schneider to fill the council seat for the remaining term that expires December 31, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Schneider read his Oath of Office and joined at the Council table. Committee Reports: Police gave an updated activity report and reported that there are several events scheduled in October to include 2 officers graduating from the academy 10/25/19.

Council reviewed the current capital project list and estimates for roof mount solar panels at the wetland centre and shop. After discussion, **motion** by Halvorson, second by Soulli to approve **Eagle Point Solar bid of \$16,520** for solar panel installation at the Wetland Centre. Additional information for solar projects at the shop and sewer plant will be presented in October. Motion by Ries, second by Halvorson to **approve Resolution 2019-16** Approving the Annual Urban Renewal Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried.

2019 Legislative updates to the Code of Ordinances were presented. Motion by Ries, second by Soulli to approve the first reading of Ordinance 408 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa relating to Conflicts of Interest. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Motion by Ries, second by Halvorson to waive the second reading of Ordinance 408 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa relating to Conflicts of Interest. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Motion by Ries, second by Halvorson for **final reading and passage of Ordinance 408** amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa relating to Conflicts of Interest. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Ries, second by Schneider to approve the first reading of Ordinance 409 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to Solid Waste Control. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Motion by Ries, second by Schneider to waive the second reading of Ordinance 409 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to Solid Waste Control. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Motion by Ries, second by Halvorson for **final reading and passage of Ordinance 409** amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to Solid Waste Control. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Ries, second by Halvorson to approve the first reading of Ordinance 410 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to Operating Budget Preparation. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Motion by Ries, second by Halvorson to waive the second reading of Ordinance 410 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to Operating Budget Preparation. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried. Motion by Ries, second by Halvorson for **final reading and passage of Ordinance 410** amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marquette, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to Operating Budget Preparation. Roll call vote: all ayes; motion carried.

Iowa Great Places has invited the Chamber to submit a grant application due Nov. 1, 2019. Great Places Committee agreed to request funds for the McGregor splash pad project and will meet next week to work on specifics of the grant. Council is asked to consider support for the project. Additional information and a specific request will be presented in October. **Motion** by Halvorson, second by Soulli to approve October 26th for Fall Clean Up. Roll call vote: all ayes, motion carried.

The school has accepted the City's offer for the purchase of 4.9 acres adjacent to the ball park. The abstract and final paperwork is being drafted. Mayor reported that there is an additional property for sale next to the parcel just purchased. If any Council member would like to consider this property, please notify the city. Mayor and Clerk attending a meeting in Calmar on Low Income Housing Tax Credits. Nuisance letters have been sent to a few properties and owners seem to be responding.

Motion was made by Halvorson, second by Soulli to adjourn at 6:50PM. All ayes, motion carried.

Steve Weipert, Mayor

Attest:

Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk