

**City of Marquette Council Meeting**  
**Marquette City Hall**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 6:00PM**

Mayor Weipert called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with roll call and pledge of allegiance. In attendance: Cornell, Loper, Melver, Hemmer, Schneider. Motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to approve consent agenda to include: agenda 04/09/24 & 04/23/24 minutes, bills & claims from 04/10/24 -05/14/24 of \$223,142.20, April reconciliations, treasurer's report, budget report with revenue of \$236,714.13, and expenses of \$178,563.66, committee/departments reports from Police, Chamber, DAWC, City Manager, Tree Committee, liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies, and liquor license renewal for Marquette Marina and Lazy River Wine & Beer Festival. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Public Comment from Terre Abel who presented a petition opposing the mountain bike trails stating it would not generate enough income and ongoing upkeep costs. No other comments. Motion by Loper, second by Schneider to approve cigarette license renewal for Caseys. Roll call vote; ayes: Loper, Melver, Schneider, abstain: Hemmer, Cornell as Casey employees. Motion carried. Motion by Cornell, second by Hemmer to approve the use of the riverfront by the Chamber for the Lazy River Beer & Wine Festival. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Loper to approve a variance request for Kleinow garage based on recommendation from the Board of Adjustments. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Melver, second by Cornell to approve Resolution 2024-16 approving Well #4 pump, motor, check valve and wire replacement from Northway Well and Pump for \$32,478.75 plus \$37.95 pf for 4" domestic galvanized T&C drop pipe as needed. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Hemmer, second by Cornell to approve the 2017 JD mower trade in and purchase of 2023 JD z970R mower for \$3500. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. McGregor is contracting out street sweeping and would like to sell the shared street sweeper. Motion by Hemmer, second by Loper to table the decision until a written proposal is received. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Hemmer, second by Cornell to approve the FY 24/25 Deer Management Rules based on recommendation from the Parks Committee. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Schneider, second by Hemmer to rescind the motion from 02/13/24 regarding the mountain bike trail. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Schneider, second by Hemmer to approve \$6000 for mountain bike trails on the evacuation route without exceptions from 02/13/24 motion. Roll call vote, ayes: Cornell, Hemmer, Melver, Schneider, nay: Loper, motion carried.

Motion by Hemmer, second by Loper to approve installation of poles for shade awning on city property by DAWC pending DNR floodplain permit, however, if the city decides to use the area, the poles will be removed. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Hemmer to approve a mural on the DAWC building to be funded by the Friends Group. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Cornell to approve Flashing Thunder invoice of \$11,232 for the fireworks. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melver, second by Schneider to approve Resolution 2024-17 to certify delinquent utilities to taxes. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. After thanking her for her services to the community, motion by Hemmer, second by Schneider to accept resignation from Clerk Basemann. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Melder, second by Hemmer to appoint Mildred Stewart as City Manager/Clerk. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Hemmer, second by Schneider to post for the position of Deputy Clerk. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Motion by Melder, second by Hemmer to approve Resolution 2024-18 for a 3% salary increase for the Manager per the employment agreement effective 4/28/24. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor suggested a few capital projects for future consideration to include playground upgrades, murals on bridge pylons, Emma Big Bear trail, Café and to hire a promoter to install a stage for concerts in the area adjacent to DAWC. Motion by Cornell, second by Melder to adjourn at 6:39AM. All ayes, motion carried.

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Stephen Weipert, Mayor

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Bonnie Basemann, City Clerk