

# PROCEEDINGS OF COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING FROM JANUARY 10, 2023

Mayor Steve Genisot **called to order**, the regular monthly meeting of the City of Marinette Common Council at 06:11 PM in the City Hall Common Council Chambers, 1905 Hall Avenue, Marinette.

Upon a **call of the roll** it was determined a quorum of Common Council members were present and the following attendance was recorded:

**Members Present:** Alderperson 1<sup>st</sup> Ward- Ken Keller; Alderperson 2<sup>nd</sup>- Ward Jeffrey Skorik; Alderperson; 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward – Alderperson Doug Oitzinger; 4<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alderperson Mike Wolfe; 5<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alderperson Liz Mikutowski; 6<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alderperson Debra Klegin; 7<sup>th</sup> Ward- Alderperson Rick Polzin; 8<sup>th</sup> Ward- Alderperson Wm. Jason Flatt & Citywide At-Large Seat – Alderperson Dorothy Kowalski.

**Absent:** None

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Angela M. Schwartz, 11 W Hosmer St, spoke on behalf of the denial of her bartender license.

## **COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Alderpersons Mikutowski moved/Wolfe seconded, and all concurred to approve the regular Common Council meeting minutes from 12/6/22 & Special 12/19/22.

## **REPORTS OF CITIZEN BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

No action was taken on the various Citizen Board, Department and Commission reports as presented by Mayor Genisot.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Alderpersons Polzin moved/Skorik seconded and all concurred, to accept, the following standing committee meeting minutes (**Civic Affairs, Cemetery, Traffic & Lights Committee Minutes- December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Personnel & License Committee minutes- December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Public Safety Code Enforcement Minutes- December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 & Plan Commission Minutes, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022**).

## **MAYORS COMMUNICATIONS & REPORT**

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Genisot informed the Common Council the Parking Lot Lease agreement that is next to the Wastewater facility went from \$1,600 in rent up to \$3,200 per month. Mayor Genisot also informed the Council after the Closed Session meeting as of this week the plaintiff Doug Oitzinger did not accept the counter offer to settle the lawsuit made by the Common Council, the lawsuit continues and depositions may be starting the end of January. Mayor also informed the Council of a listening session that will take place on 1/11/23 at 3:00PM in the City Hall Council Chamber with Senator Eric Wimberger regarding budget concerns. Mayor Genisot and Finance Director Jackie Miller did reach out to the Senator's office to discuss certain topics of interest that may be addressed at the listening session.

### **MARINETTE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT.**

Alex Mammanov presented the student representative report for Marinette High School.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING STATE/MUNICIPAL FINANCIAL AGREEMENT FOR A SIGNALS & ITS STANDALONE PROGRAM PROJECT - US 41 & CLEVELAND AVE & HATTIE ST. INTERSECTIONS SIGNAL REHABILITATION.**

No action was taken on this agenda item.

### **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING MEAD & HUNT PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE SISP TRAFFIC SIGNAL DESIGN AT RAILROAD PREEMPTED SIGNALS ON US 41 PROJECT.**

No action was taken on this agenda item.

### **CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATION REGARDING FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT.**

Alderpersons Polzin moved/Kowalski seconded and upon a call of the roll motion carries by a vote of 9 ayes to 0 nays to approve as presented the Fire Department Contract.

### **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ESCROW AGREEMENT WITH MIDWEST EXPANSIONS.**

No action was taken on this agenda item.

### **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING STATE/MUNICIPAL FINANCIAL AGREEMENT FOR BIL FUNDING TO RECONSTRUCT MADISON AVENUE.**

Alderspersons Oitzinger moved/Mikutowski seconded and upon a call of the roll **motion carries** by a vote of 9 ayes to 0 nays to **approve** STATE/MUNICIPAL Financial Agreement for BIL Funding to reconstruct Madison Avenue.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING URBANIAK PROPERTY UPDATE AND COUNCIL APPROVAL FOR CLEANUP WORK.**

Alderspersons Kowalski moved/Klegin seconded and upon a call of the roll **motion carries** by a vote of 9 ayes to 0 nays to **approve** an estimated \$15,000 for the Clean-up work to include demolish and dispose of the buildings located at 2060 Old Peshtigo Road. The cost incurred by the city will be charged against the property.

#### **FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE**

#### **RECOMMENDATION TO GRANT ADVANCE AUTHORIZATION TO PAY JANUARY 2023 EXPENDITURES PURSUANT TO WI STAT. §66.0609 CONTINGENT UPON FINAL REVIEW & APPROVAL OF CITY OF MARINETTE FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE.**

Alderspersons Polzin moved/Skorik seconded and upon a call of the roll **motion carries** by a vote of 9 ayes to 0 nays to **grant** advance authorization to the City Treasurer/Finance Director to pay January 2023 expenditures contingent upon Finance and Insurance Committee approval.

#### **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 2022 BUDGET REPORTS.**

Alderspersons Skorik moved/Klegin seconded and all concurred to **approve** November 2022 budget reports.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATION BUDGET AMENDMENTS, TRANSFERS AND CARRYOVER FUND DESIGNATION.**

Alderperson Polzin moved/ Wolfe seconded, after further conversation, Alderperson Oitzinger amended the motion/ Mikutowski seconded to approve with the change of eliminating the transfer of \$157,033.00 from Account 245-500-59015 and now be taken from Account 100-590-59050 for the Fleet Farm Property ,upon a call of the roll the amended **motion failed** by a vote of 2 ayes (Oitzinger & Mikutowski) to 7 nays (Keller, Skorik, Wolfe, Klegin, Polzin, Flatt & Kowalski), upon a call of the roll of the original motion **motion carries** by a vote of 7 (Keller, Skorik, Wolfe, Klegin, Polzin, Flatt & Kowalski), ayes to 2 nays (Oitzinger & Mikutowski) to approve as presented the Budget Amendments, Transfers and Carryover Fund Designations.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATION REGARDING SECONDHAND JEWELRY DEALER LICENSE FOR 2023 FOR MIDWEST GOLD BUYER.**

Alderperson Skorik moved/ Wolfe seconded and all concurred to **approve** the Secondhand Jewelry License for 2023 for Midwest Gold Buyer.

#### **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SEVEN (7) NEW OPERATOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS.**

Pursuant to Marinette Municipal Code § 9.0220, Personnel and License Committee Policy No. PLC - 1.0010 and Wis. Stat. § 125.17, Alderperson Oitzinger moved/Mikutowski seconded and all concurred to **grant** operator licenses to the following six (6) new applicants: Amanda F. Archambault, Allora K. Dworak, Breanne N. Grass, Brooke E. McFadden, Nisa L. Miron and Angela M. Schwartz (contingent upon Angela paying all debts owed to the City of Marinette) and **deny** applicant , Ian R. Ebbol due to non-compliance with Personnel & License Committee Policy NO. PLC – 1.0010 flowchart item #4 . Each aforementioned operator license applicant, recommended to have licenses granted for the current licensing period expiring 6/30/2024, shall be contingent upon each applicant providing documentation to City Clerk's Office, prior to expiration date of their 60-day provisional operator license, confirming completion of a State of Wis. approved Responsible Beverage Server class.

#### **CIVIC AFFAIRS, TRAFFIC LIGHTS & CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

#### **CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATION REGARDING AN EXCEPTION FOR PARKING ON TREE LAWN DURING THE WINTER FOR NOEL FORGETTE, 1449 SHERMAN STREET.**

Alderperson Mikutowski moved/ Klegin seconded and all concurred to **approve** an exception for parking on tree lawn during the winter for Noel Forgette, 1449 Sherman Street for one vehicle.

#### **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DID NOT HAVE A MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING IN DECEMBER.**

#### **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE DID NOT HAVE A MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING IN DECEMBER.**

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY AND CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE**

**PUBLIC SAFETY CODE ENFORCEMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 2505 TO BE CONSIDERED LATER ON TONIGHT'S AGENDA.**

**PLAN COMMISSION**

**PLAN COMMISSION HAD NO COMMON COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER.**

**ORDINANCES**

(Copies of complete text of the ordinances described below have been placed on file at the City of Marinette Clerk's office.)

**ORDINANCE NO. 2505- AMENDING MMC 9.0321 PERTAINING TO DANGEROUS DOGS INVOLVED IN UNPROVOKED FATAL OR SEVERE ATTACKS.** Alderperson Oitzinger moved/Mikutowski seconded and upon a call of the roll **motion carries** by a vote of 9 ayes to 0 nays to **approve** Ordinance No. 2504- Amending MMC 9.0321 pertaining to Dangerous Dogs Involved in Unprovoked Fatal or Severe Attacks.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Alderpersons Keller moved/Polzin seconded and all concurred to adjourn at 7:04 PM

Lana Bero, City Clerk

The next regular Common Council meeting is scheduled for [Tuesday February 7th, 2022](#) at 06:00 PM in the Common Council Chambers at Marinette City Hall, Marinette, WI.