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City of Marquette
TPAC Traffic/Parking Advisory Committee
Minutes 03/11/2025

Meeting located in Conference Room # 103, lower level of Marquette City Hall

I. Meeting Called to Order:

5:02

II. Roll Call:

Present: Nicole Bates, Julie Benda, Jerry Kujawa, Travis Norman, Barb Owdziej,
Courtney Jennifer Rajt

Others Present: Police Liaison Captain Finkbeiner; Eric Paupore

IV: Approval of Agenda:

Owdziej motioned to approve the agenda. Rajt seconded the motion. Approved.

V: Approval of minutes:

Minutes submitted by: Gerald Kujawa.

The approval of the previous meeting's minutes was motioned by Bates; seconded by Owdziej. Approved.

VI: Public comments:

None

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VII: Old Business:

1) Committee Report to the City Commission – idea session

- a. Now scheduled for Monday, April 28th @ 6:00 pm at the regularly scheduled Commission Meeting.

Owdziej suggested that the presentation should include the recommendation that the TPAC board be consulted for the city's forthcoming micro-mobility study and that TPAC board be included in developing the city's transportation plan.

2) MDOT Advanced Wheel Training Series – Bicycle Facility Design Training

Captain Finkbeiner attended the training session and mentioned that recordings of the training would be available for any TPAC members interested.

VII: New Business:

1) Bike Rodeo

Eric Paupore, planning/zoning specialist for the City of Marquette, discussed the bike rodeo that will be held on May 31 at the Marquette City Hall, an event designed to introduce and promote safe bicycling for children. Mr. Paupore stated that the bike rodeo could help improve the city's rating from the League of American Bicyclists. Mr. Paupore was looking for 10-18 volunteers to assist with the event, and all members of the TPAC board expressed interest in volunteering for the event.

Owdziej proposed that a rain date be considered for the event and suggested the event should include e-bike safety information and a booth designated to educate parents on creating safe cycling habits for their children.

2) Loading Zone Request Discussion

- a. Ore Dock Brewing Company requesting a new loading/unloading zone near the new entrance to their building expansion located on S. Front Street.

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The loading dock would be in the place of the existing on-street parking. A formal request is likely forthcoming from Ore Dock.

IX: Committee Comments:

Owdziej suggest that a representative from MDOT should be brought into the discussion to see what signage might be possible on M-553 at the ski hill.

Rajt recommended the YouTube channel "Streetcraft" to the committee members.

X: Motion to Adjourn:

Owdziej motioned to adjourn. Concurred by committee.

XI: Time of Adjournment:

6:25

Approved by Chairperson: _____

Date: 4/8/25

Accepted by Committee Liaison: _____

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