



City of Marquette, MI

300 West Baraga Ave
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Meeting Minutes City Commission

Monday, September 8, 2025
6:00 PM
Commission Chambers

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

Present: Davis, Gottlieb, Hanley, Larson, Mayer, Ottaway, Schloegel

Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Paul Schloegel moved to Approve the agenda as written, seconded by Commissioner Jerney Ottaway and Carried Unanimously.

Announcements

Mayor Hanley had no announcements.

Boards and Committees

1. Appointment(s)

Abigail LaForest to the Public Art Commission for an unexpired term ending 02-26-2028.

Commissioner Jerney Ottaway moved to Approve the appointment as listed, seconded by Commissioner Michael Larson and Carried Unanimously.

2. Reappointment(s)

Amy Maus to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a term ending 09-01-2028.

Commissioner Sally Davis moved to Approve the reappointment as listed, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Paul Schloegel and Carried Unanimously.

Public Comments - Comments may not exceed three minutes per person. Please state your name and physical address when making public comments.

Margaret Brumm spoke about the Cliffs-Dow property.

Presentation(s)

3. Planning Commission, by Kevin Clegg

Planning Commission Chair Kevin Klegg provided an overview of the Planning

Commission's activities for the prior year.

He noted the Planning Commission's history and highlighted current membership, noting a couple of current vacancies.

In 2024, he said, most activity involved site plan reviews. He said the board saw a decrease in overall workload, which could be an indicator that the Land Development Code is functioning effectively. Key concerns moving forward include housing availability, mobility and transit, and advancing climate action planning. He said the Planning Commission also supports improved coordination between the City and Planning Commissions, and suggested a joint meeting.

Commissioners expressed appreciation for the Commission's work, particularly the effectiveness of the Land Development Code.

4. Consent Agenda - Roll Call Vote

Commissioner Jerney Ottaway moved to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Cody Mayer and Carried Unanimously by Roll Call Vote.

- 4.a.** Approve the minutes of the August 25, 2025 regular Commission meeting
- 4.b.** Approve the total bills payable in the amount of \$2,563.340.51
- 4.c.** EGLE GLRI - Grant Application
- 4.d.** KBIC Funding for the City of Marquette Department of Community Services
- 4.e.** KBIC Funding for the City of Marquette Police Department
- 4.f.** Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Funding for the City of Marquette Police Department
- 4.g.** Noquemanon Trails Network - Trail Maintenance Permit
- 4.h.** Peg Hirvonen Bandshell - Construction Contract Change Order
- 4.i.** Proclamation - Marquette Alzheimer's Awareness Day
- 4.j.** Schedule Public Hearing- Former Marquette General Hospital Brownfield Plan Amendment - Roll Call Vote
- 4.k.** Schedule Public Hearing - Rezoning of 480 River Park Circle
- 4.l.** Travel Lift Agreement

New Business

- 5.** Schedule Public Hearing- FY 2026 Budget

Commissioner Cary Gottlieb moved to Schedule a Public Hearing for September 29, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. to review and adopt the FY 2026 Budget, seconded by Commissioner Jerney Ottaway and Carried Unanimously.

6. Contract Approval - In-situ Remediation Services - Former Cliffs-Dow Site

Commissioner Sally Davis moved to Award the Cliffs-Dow Brownfield Site - In-situ Remediation Services Contract to ORIN Technologies of Verona, Wisconsin at cost not-to-exceed \$802,148, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the contract, seconded by Commissioner Michael Larson and Carried Unanimously.

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Margaret Brumm spoke about the upcoming local candidate forum, hosted by the League of Women Voters, and about an upcoming emergency response training related to animals and accidents.

Comments from the Commission

Mayor Pro Tem Schloegel noted that school is back in session and warned residents to be safe when traveling.

Commissioner Davis honored the upcoming anniversary of the September 11 attacks, and asked people to reflect.

Mayor Hanley and Commissioners Gottlieb, Larson, Mayer and Ottaway all had no additional comments.

Comments from the City Manager

City Manager Kovacs said she had office hours scheduled for Wednesday at the Peter White Public Library.

Adjournment

Mayor Hanley adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

Jessica Hanley, Mayor

Kyle Whitney, City Clerk

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