



City of Marquette, MI

300 West Baraga Ave
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Meeting Agenda City Commission

WORK SESSION

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

4:30 PM

Commission Chambers

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

Present: Mayor Davis and Mayor Pro-Tem Hanley. Commissioners Larson, Mayer, Schloegel. Absent: Commissioners Ottaway and Smith. Commissioner Schloegel moved to excuse Commissioners Ottaway and Smith for personal reasons, seconded by Commissioner Larson and Carried Unanimously.

Announcements

The Mayor had no announcements.

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

There was no public comment.

1. Request to Establish Industrial Development District - Able Medical Devices

Steve Hicks, CEO of Longyear/Able Medical provided the City Commission with an overview of the development of Able Medical located off of highway M-553. Longyear/Able Medical requested the city create an industrial development district for the site with the intent to apply for a tax abatement in accordance with PA 198 of 1974 Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption.

In addition to Hicks, representatives from the Lake Superior Community Partnership and Michigan Economic Development Corporation were also in attendance to answer questions regarding the economic development priorities of the region and state.

Following opening statement from Hicks City Manager Kovacs gave a brief presentation. She explained the purpose of PA 198 of 1974 is to provide incentives for eligible businesses to make investments in Michigan. She highlighted the City's previous tax abatements for Pioneer Surgical. Her presentation concluded with points of consideration including financial impact, economic impact, and state support.

The meeting was then opened to the Commission for questions and discussion.

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Geraldine Nault stated public education will be important if the Commission decides to move forward with the creation of an Industrial Development District.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Sally Davis, Mayor

Rachel Quayle, Deputy City Clerk

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