



City of Marquette, MI

300 West Baraga Avenue
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Meeting Minutes City Commission Meeting

Tuesday, May 4, 2021
5:15 PM
Commission Chambers

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

Present: Mayor Smith. Mayor Pro Tem Hill. Commissioners: Bonsall, Davis, Hanley, Mayer and Stonehouse.

Approval of the Agenda

Commissioner Sally Davis moved to Approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Cody Mayer and Carried Unanimously.

Announcements

Mayor Smith had no announcements.

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

As the meetings are still being held without the public present, residents were given the opportunity to call in and speak or submit written public comments to be read during the meeting.

There were no members of the public waiting to comment.

1. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Jessica Hanley moved to Approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Evan Bonsall and Carried Unanimously.

1.a. Approve the minutes of the May 1, 2021 special Commission meeting.

New Business

2. City Manager Search

Commissioner Cody Mayer moved to Authorize suspending the rules for discussion, seconded by Commissioner Jessica Hanley and Carried Unanimously.

Mayor Smith said that she would like each Commissioner to state their top two picks of the candidates that interviewed on May 1 for the job of Marquette City Manager.

After all commissioners had announced their preferences, the candidates received the following vote totals:

Karen Kovacs: 4
John Kramer: 4
Richard Downey: 2
Sean Hobbins: 1
Gary Simpson: 1
Daniel Stoltman: 1

The Commission then voted a second time. After the second vote, the tabulation was as follows:

John Kramer: 7
Karen Kovacs: 6

The Commission then discussed the possibility of requesting a second interview with each candidate, to be conducted remotely, and there was discussion of whether to cast a single vote for a candidate tonight. Commissioners discussed options with Consultant Frank Walsh, ultimately expressing a preference to hold a second round of interviews, focused more heavily on dialogue and getting to know the candidates.

Commissioner Jessica Hanley moved to Authorize inviting both Karen Kovacs and John Kramer to participate in a second, remote, interview with the City Commission, seconded by Commissioner Evan Bonsall and Carried Unanimously.

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There were no public comments.

Comments from the Commission

There were no comments from the Commission.

Comments from the City Manager

City Manager Mike Angeli said staff would work to schedule a meeting for the candidate interviews.

Adjournment

Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Jennifer A. Smith, Mayor

Kyle Whitney, City Clerk

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