

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MACKINAC ISLAND CITY COUNCIL,
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 7358 MARKET STREET,
MACKINAC ISLAND, MICHIGAN, ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2023, AT 3:00 PM**

Mayor Doud called the Regular Meeting of the Mackinac Island City Council to order at 3:00 pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: B. Bailey, R. Chambers, T. Corrigan, S. Moskwa, A. Myers, A. Sehoan
MEMBERS ABSENT: None
TREASURER: R. Linn
MIPD: D. Topolski

CITY ATTORNEY: E. Evashevski
via Zoom from St. Ignace, MI

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on November 13, 2023 were presented. Mayor Doud stated that the minutes stood approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report was presented.

Motion by Bailey, second to the motion by Chambers, to place the Treasurer's Report on file as presented.

- Councilman Bailey requested a 2022 / 2023 comparison for transient bike monies collected

All in favor. Motion carried.

Payroll and Payables were presented.

Motion by Corrigan, second to the motion by Chambers, to approve the November 16, 2023 updated payroll.

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Bailey, to pay the November 29, 2023 bills and payroll in the amount of \$197,237.64.

- Councilwoman Myers asked the Mayor's Assistant to look into how the check and payables are worded for the Total Communications bill due to the use of ARPA funds.

Ayes: Bailey, Chambers, Corrigan, Myers, Sehoan

Nays: None. Motion carried

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Sehoan, to accept the agenda with the addition of the following agenda item

- Request to keep Officer Miedzianowski employed through December 2023

All in favor. Motion carried.

A proposal was received from Corporal Dziobak, submitted to the Public Safety Committee, recommending that the Police Department be approved to continue the employment of Officer Miedzianowski through December 31, 2023. Committee recommended approving the continued employment.

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Sehoan, to accept the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee to continue the employment of Officer Miedzianowski through December 31, 2023.

Ayes: Bailey, Chambers, Corrigan, Myers, Sehoan

Nays: None. Motion carried

Old Business:

Mayor Doud noted that Sam Barnwell has resigned from the Mackinac County 911 Board, and proposed the appointment of Jason St. Onge in his place.

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Chambers, to approve Mayor Doud's appointment of Jason St. Onge to the Mackinac County 911 Board. All in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman Bailey asked for an update on the Forest Way Townhomes Duplexes

- Dennis Dombroski has sent drawings to Dickinson & Stafford (Rick LaMarch) but haven't heard back anything definite yet.
- Councilman Bailey noted that the City needs to start looking into bonds for the project
- Mr. Dombroski noted that Stafford likes the proposed build, but will only be economical if they can do 16ft boxes, but the City's ordinance has a maximum of 14ft
 - o Stonecliffe Rd. is the main concern for the box size
 - o Could possibly use the airport runway to accommodate the larger box size, but Council would need to issue a variance for the larger box size
 - Mr. LaMarch noted that State Road and getting onto the runway would not be an issue with the proposed sizing
 - Councilwoman Myers noted that, if this is the route being considered, that the corner where British Landing Road splits to State Road needs to be measured to ensure the truck will make the corner without disrupting the neighboring properties
- Drawings either need to be issued a variance for the large box size, or the drawings will need to be redone
 - o Mr. Dombroski has reached out to redesign to 14ft boxes

Old Business Cont.

- Councilwoman Myers requested that attorney Evashevski start to research bonding for the project to have something in place by July
 - o Councilman Moskwa inquired about costs
 - o Councilwoman Myers noted that the units in Phase II came out to about \$280,000.00, so assuming these will be around \$300,000.00 – probably bond for \$1.3 to \$1.5 million dollars

New Business:

The 2024 health insurance renewal for 44 North was presented.

- 7.11% increase (typical increase and similar to the past few years)
- DPW agrees to move forward with the 2024 proposal

Motion by Sehojan, second to the motion by Moskwa, to accept the 2024 renewal for health coverage through 44 North.

Ayes: Bailey, Chambers, Corrigan, Myers, Sehojan

Nays: None. Motion carried

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Moskwa, to approve a preapproved vehicle and trailer permit, submitted by Belonga Excavating, to repair the water shut off at the Stingel residence located at 7028 Main Street. Vehicle and trailer arrived on November 14th and were in use for one (1) day. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Bailey, to approve a preapproved vehicle permit, submitted by Mackinac Island Carriage Tours, to remove a sign at Millie's on Main. Vehicle was used on November 13th and was in use for one (1) day. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Bailey, to approve a preapproved vehicle permit, submitted by Power Construction Group, for the Grand Hotel earth retention project. Vehicle arrived on November 27th and will be in use for two (2) months. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Moskwa, to approve a vehicle permit, submitted by Mission Point, for the use of a Skytrack for remodeling work at the Cypress Building. Vehicle will arrive on December 4th and will be in use for one (1) month. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Chambers, to approve an Off-Island business license for LD Construction. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Chambers, to approve an Off-Island business license for Cedar Creek Storage Barns. Fee was waived as this is work for the Mackinac Island Housing Corp. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Moskwa, to approve a vehicle and trailer permit, submitted by Cedar Creek Storage Barns, to deliver storage sheds for the new houses at the Edgewood development. Vehicle and trailer will arrive on December 6th and will be in use for one (1) day. Fees were waived as this is work for the Mackinac Island Housing Corp. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Chambers, second to the motion by Bailey, to approve a vehicle permit, submitted by Lunda Construction, for a Peterbilt mechanics truck at the Wastewater Treatment Plant construction project. Vehicle arrived on November 27th and will be in use for the duration of the project. Permit fees were waived as this is work for the Dept. of Public Works (DPW). All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Bailey, to approve an Off-Island business license for August Winter and Son's, Inc. all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Chambers, to approve a vehicle & (2) trailer permits, submitted by August Winter & Son's, for work at the Wastewater Treatment Plant project. Vehicle & trailers will arrive on December 1st and will remain for the duration of the project. Permit fees were waived as this is work for the Dept. of Public Works (DPW). All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Corrigan, to approve a vehicle and trailer permit, submitted by F&V Construction, for continued work at the Wastewater Treatment Plant project. Vehicle and trailer will arrive on November 30th. Vehicle will be in use for one day, and the office trailer will remain throughout the project. Permit fees were waived as this is work for the Dept. of Public Works (DPW). All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Moskwa, to approve a vehicle permit, submitted by UP North Construction, for construction use at the Gromley lot (Stonebrook South, Lot 6). Vehicle will arrive on December 2nd and will be in use for 14 days. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Moskwa, to approve a vehicle permit, submitted by Power Construction, contingent on an explanation of use – if the use is deemed necessary, Mayor Doud can approve at her discretion. Vehicle is proposed to arrive on November 30th and be in use for two (2) months. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Moskwa, second to the motion by Chambers, to approve a vehicle permit, submitted by Plutchak Crane Rental, to use a linkbelt truck crane to set a roof unit at the Lilac Tree Hotel. Vehicle will arrive some time during the week of December 4th and will be in use for one (1) to three (3) days. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by chambers, second to the motion by Corrigan, to approve three (3) vehicle permits, submitted by Mackinac Axe, to remove trees at the Iroquois housing on French Lane, Alex Bazinau residence on Cadotte Ave., and the old Largo residence in the Annex. All job dates are to be determined and will take one (1) to three (3) days each. All in favor. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Myers noted that Annette Eustace of Rehmann, the City's accounting firm, will be retiring soon. Annette has been instrumental in assisting the City and Dept. of Public Works with accounting and auditing services, and she would like to have flowers and a thank you letter sent to her.

Motion by Myers, second to the motion by Moskwa, to have the Mayor's Assistant work with the DPW to send flowers and a letter to Annette, congratulating her on her upcoming retirement.

Ayes: Bailey, Chambers, Corrigan, Myers, Sehoan

Nays: None. Motion carried

Councilman Moskwa asked DPW Director Allen Burt for an update on DPW projects

- Mr. Burt noted there were some issues at the Biddle Point Pump Station with the by-pass pumps
 - o Trying to switch from diesel to electric so things are quieter, but have a 60 week lead time on a part necessary to switch over
 - o Company in charge of the work has a person station on the island 24/7 to check on everything every few hours
 - o Overall project is going well
- Wastewater Treatment Plant project is moving forward
 - o Ken Peterson has been hired on as the new project manager
 - o Some safety concerns on British Landing Road and State Road as well as by the Airport and Annex Road intersections
 - Ken is looking into some additional signage for these areas

Councilman Bailey wanted to give the following thanks:

- Allen Burt, DPW Director, for his weekly updates on the Wastewater Treatment Plant project
- Mike Ruddle for his hard work on the Christmas decorations throughout town
- Arnold Freight for hauling the town Christmas Tree

There being no further business, motion by Myers, second to the motion by Moskwa, to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Margaret Doud, Mayor

Danielle Leach, City Clerk