



Meeting Minutes City Commission

Monday, November 13, 2023
7:00 PM
Commission Chambers

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

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

City Clerk Kyle Whitney administered the oath of office to Commissioners Jessica Hanley and Cody Mayer, who were re-elected at the November 7, 2023 election, as well as to Commissioner Paul Schloegel, who was elected to the Commission at that time.

The Clerk then oversaw the process by which the City Commission determined who to appoint as the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem for the coming year.

After one round of voting, Commissioner Jessica Hanley made a motion to appoint Sally Davis as Mayor for the coming year, seconded by Commissioner Cody Mayer and carried unanimously.

Following another single round of voting, Mayor Davis made a motion to appoint Jessica Hanley as Mayor Pro Tem for the coming year, seconded by Commissioner Paul Schloegel and carried unanimously.

The Clerk then administered the oath of office to the incoming Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem and Mayor Davis ran the remainder of the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

Commissioner Jermei Ottaway moved to Approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Michael Larson and Carried Unanimously.

Announcements

Mayor Davis had no announcements tonight.

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

Matt Luttenberger said that Norwood Street should be upgraded, and he said he thinks the City should consider holding elections, rather than appointing to fill the vacancies in elected office.

1. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Jennifer Smith moved to Approve the consent Agenda as presented,

seconded by Commissioner Jerney Ottaway and Carried Unanimously.

- 1.a. Approve the minutes of the October 30, 2023 regular Commission meeting
- 1.b. Approve the total bills payable in the amount of \$6,365,924.35
- 1.c. Marquette Area Public Schools - Ice Contract
- 1.d. Proclamation - 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence
- 1.e. The Hockey Mutineers of Marquette - Locker Room Lease Agreement

New Business

2. Approve 2024 City Commission Meeting Schedule

Commissioner Jennifer Smith moved to Approve the 2024 City Commission Meeting Schedule, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jessica Hanley and Carried Unanimously.

3. Procedure to Fill BLP Vacancy

Mayor Pro Tem Jessica Hanley moved to Direct the City Clerk to make Marquette Board of Light and Power application forms available online and in the Clerk's Office, and to accept applications from interested parties until 4 p.m. on Friday, November 24, 2023; to then forward all applications to the Board of Light and Power for review; and to then proceed with the appointment of a new board member to the Board of Light at the December 11 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jerney Ottaway and Carried Unanimously.

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Matt Luttenberger said he plans to apply for appointment to the BLP, and thinks there should be a focus on wind and tidal energy development. He also asked for details about how local recreation facilities are funded.

Comments from the Commission

Mayor Pro Tem Hanley thanked the City voters for their support in her re-election, and thanked the other candidates for running. She also congratulated Mayor Sally Davis on her appointment to that position.

Commissioner Larson congratulated everyone that was elected and re-elected last week and said he is looking forward to serving on the City Commission with Commissioner Schloegel. He thanked Commissioner Mayer for serving as Mayor during the previous year, and he also congratulated the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem on their appointments tonight.

Commissioner Ottaway thanked Commissioner Mayer for his service as Mayor, and he said he also looks forward to moving forward with the new Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.

Commissioner Mayer congratulated Mayor Davis and Mayor Pro Tem Hanley, and said he will help if possible and desired. He also congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Hanley

on her re-election to the board and welcomed Commissioner Schloegel.

Commissioner Smith welcomed Commissioner Schloegel back to the City Commission and she congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Hanley and Commissioner Mayer on their re-elections.

Commissioner Schloegel thanked the voters for putting their confidence in him and he said it's an honor to serve on the City Commission. He thanked Commissioner Mayer for the work he did as mayor in the last year and said he has tried to keep up to date on City activities. He also acknowledged outgoing City Commissioner Fred Stonehouse, who he called a legend of a public servant.

Mayor Davis also thanked Fred Stonehouse for his years of service. She congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Hanley on her re-election and appointment, and said she is looking forward to moving forward together. She thanked the Commission for their confidence and support in appointing her Mayor.

Comments from the City Manager

City Manager Karen Kovacs shared information about the BLP application process, shared information about an upcoming Planning Commission public hearing, and responded to the earlier question about funding for recreation facilities. She praised the public works crews for successful execution of this year's curbside leaf and brush collection.

Adjournment

Mayor Davis adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Sally Davis, Mayor

Kyle Whitney, City Clerk

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