

CITY OF MACKINAC ISLAND

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 3:00 PM

City Hall – Council Chambers, 7358 Market St., Mackinac Island, Michigan

I. Call to Order

Mayor Doud called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm

II. Roll Call

PRESENT

Richard Chambers

Tom Corrigan

Steven Moskwa

Anneke Myers

Alan Sehoyan

Jason St. Onge

IV. Additions to / Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Chambers, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoyan, St. Onge

V. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, held on October 30, 2024 were presented.

- Mayor Doud stated the the minutes stood approved as presented.

VI. Approval of the Treasurer's Report

The November 13, 2024 Treasurer's Report was presented.

- Mayor Doud stated the report shall be placed on file.

VII. Approval of Payments for:

Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Sehoyan, to approve the payroll and payables as submitted.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoyan, St. Onge

X. Old Business

- Arnold Transit Update
 - Crew is working hard to get the vessels ready for December service
 - Straits of Mackinac II is about 90% finished - waiting to get heat source
 - Ottawa - transmissions are in place, port engine is in place (was rebuilt), waiting for generator (should be here next week), starboard engine will go in soon
 - Huron – work is continuing to move forward. Still working on hurdles with the Coast Guard
 - Gutted the interior - moving the restroom downstairs, which will provide more seating in the cabin
 - Will be installing new windows and seating
- Councilman Corrigan - EUP Connect
 - Spectrum has purchased Astrea
 - Still have not received a letter notifying the City of the purchase
 - City can discuss charging a franchise fee - other cities are collecting a 3% fee
- Police Department K-9 Position
 - Attorney Evashevski has spoken with Mike Cluck - there is not a union issue, employee would have to be identified as a police officer in order to be subjected to the collective bargaining agreement.
 - Need - detailed job descriptions, description of duties, contract
 - \$1,200 annually, plus \$20.00 per hour when services are provided
 - Consider raising the hourly rate and do away with the annual amount
 - Need to contact insurance company do discuss the liability for this employee
 - Public Safety Committee will work out the details and presented something to the Council

XI. New Business

- Rescheduling of the November 25th Regular Council Meeting from 3:00 pm to either 4:00 pm or 5:00 pm
Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Moskwa, to set the November 25th meeting for 3:00 pm

- Scheduling of a special meeting to discuss submissions of rates, fees, and schedules for the 2025 ferry season
 - Will make an agenda item for the November 25th regular meeting
- Engagement letter for the services of Kate Tomasik of Adkinson, Need, Allen, & Rentrop in the Azzar case
 Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Myers to accept the engagement agreement and to authorize Mayor Doud to sign
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing & Meeting to remove restrictions on the property located at 1485 Astor St. (Mustang)
 - Attorney Evashevski will provide the Council with a memo outlining the situation
 Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Chambers, to set the Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing for Friday, December 20, 2024 at 2:00 pm.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- Off-Island Business License Application, submitted by Classic Plumbing & Heating
 Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Corrigan, to approve the business license application.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- Preapproved vehicle permit, submitted by F&V Operations and Resource Management, for sewer cleaning for the Department of Public Works
 Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Chambers, to approve the preapproved vehicle permit.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- Vehicle and trailer permit, submitted by Grand Hotel, for the delivery of an industrial sheet spreader
 Motion made by Myers, seconded by Corrigan, to approve the permits.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- (2) vehicle and (2) trailer permits, submitted by Dickinson Homes, to haul tools to dismantle the house located at 6948 Main Street – Cheryl Jaquiss
 Motion made by Sehoan, seconded by Myers, to approve the permits.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- Vehicle permit, submitted by Soils & Structures, for soil boring work for Mackinac Island Ferry Co. located at 7271 Main St.
 - Dennis Dombroski informed the Council that there will be (5) bores done to determine the soil conditions under the dock. Started cutting holes through the dock today to run the boring bits through.
 - Results will tell engineers the capacity of the soil for the new piles
 Motion made by Myers, seconded by Chambers, to approve the permit.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- Vehicle permit, submitted by Grand Hotel, to fill stationary fuel tanks at the Grand 9 shed & Woods barn
 Motion made by Myers, seconded by Corrigan, to approve the permit.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- Vehicle permit, submitted by Mission Point Resort, for work on the pool decking
 - Slab that surrounds the pool has settled and cracked, brining in Foundation Systems of Michigan with a specialized truck to lift the slab back in to place.
 Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Sehoan, to approve the permit.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge
- Preapproved vehicle & trailer permit, submitted by Northern Michigan Seamless Gutters, for work at the Armour residence, located at 6658 Huron Rd.
 - Vehicle & trailer were originally supposed to be brought in a the State Dock and would not be traveling through City jurisdiction, but due to weather the arrival was switched to the Coal Dock.
 Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Corrigan, to approve the permits.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoan, St. Onge

- Streets & Right of Way Permits, submitted by AT&T, to bore fiber to for customers at the following locations
 - o 1366 Church Street – Moskwa
 - o 7237 Market Street – Market Street Inn / Bob Gale
 - o 7288 Market Street – Mackinac House / Benser & Doud
 - o 7688 Huron Ave. – M.I. Carriage Tours Big Barns
 - o 7531 3rd Street – M.I. Carriage Tours Surrey Hill
 - o 7347 7th Street – M.I. Carriage Tours Dray Barns
 - o 2257 Cadotte Ave – Hoban Hill
 - o 7579 7th St. – Moskwa
 - o 2929 Cadotte Ave. – Moskwa

Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Sehoyan, to approve the Street & Right of Way Permits.
 Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Myers, Sehoyan, St. Onge
 Abstained: Moskwa

- Off-Island Business License Application submitted by Underground Contractors, Inc.
 Motion made by Myers, seconded by Chambers to approve the business license

- Vehicle permit, submitted by Chippewa Hotel, to use their lift to power wash company buildings
 – Main Street Inn, Poppins, Lilac Tree Hotel, Chippewa Hotel, Haunted Theater
 Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Moskwa, to approve the permits.

XII. Miscellaneous / General Council Discussion / Additional Agenda Items

Stanley Steamer approached the Council about submitting permits for spring 2025

- Mounted units provide deep cleaning capabilities
- Councilwoman Myers noted that, when permits are resubmitted, they need to be submitted with clear and convincing evidence of why the permit is necessary, and pointed out the following sections of the motor vehicle ordinance
 - o section 66.32.d
 - o section 66.95.1
 - o section 66.98
- Councilman St. Onge voiced his opposition
- Councilman Corrigan voiced his support for allowing Stanley Steamer to bring their mounted unit to the island to complete jobs

XIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to adjourn the meeting at 3:50 pm.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, Sehoyan, St. Onge

Margaret M. Doud, Mayor

Danielle Leach, City Clerk