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CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MUNISING  
AGENDA  
MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021  
6:00 P.M.

- A. CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING, ROLL CALL
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT (non-agenda items)
- C. OLD CITY BUSINESS
  - 1. Nestor Street Resident's Concerns about the Michigan Nature Association Parking Needs
  - 2. Wendy Irish - Purple Martin House Placement on City Property
  - 3. Full Service Organics Management LLC Agreement Bio Solids Hauling
  - 4. Treasurer's Monthly Report
  - 5. Monthly Reports - Committee- Fire - Police - WWTP
  - 6. DDA - Partnerships updates Kathy Reynolds
- D. NEW CITY BUSINESS
  - 1. Munising Bay Trail Network Request Permission to expand the Bike Park
  - 2. VVA Dan LaCombe Request to Sell Raffle Tickets in the Park
  - 3. Chris Case with the Recycling Committee Requests to use Parking Lot by the Food Pantry
  - 4. License Agreement with Alger Parks and Recreation Department, Inc. - Concerts in the park
  - 5. License Agreement Treasa Sowa Farmers' and Artisans' Market
  - 6. Resolution Approving Waterways Grant Application for Boat Ramp Reconstruction
  - 7. Approve City Commission Meeting Minutes 03-03-2021
  - 8. Approve Check Register/List of Bills
  - 9. City Manager Report
- E. CORRESPONDENCE
- F. PUBLIC COMMENTS (non-agenda items)
- G. ADJOURNMENT

CITY COMMISSION

Official Proceedings

- A. CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING, ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the City Commission was called and held on Monday, **March 15, 2021**, as a zoom meeting. Mayor Nettleton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor Nettleton  
ABSENT: None

- B. PUBLIC COMMENT (non-agenda items)

Mayor Nettleton asked that the Commissioners think about a three (3) minute limit to speak on non-agenda items.

- C. OLD CITY BUSINESS

- 1. Nestor Street Resident's Concerns about the Michigan Nature Association Parking Needs

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Brian Buysse 1470 Nestor St. stated that it is just a tourist attraction. Commissioner Ballas asked what the MNA said. Attorney Ferguson stated that the MNA doesn't seem like they will take issue with what the City will do. The MNA head person tried to deter people from the falls, exploring a parking lot option. No action was needed at this time.

2. Wendy Irish - Purple Martin House Placement on City Property

Moved by Commissioner Eckert to allow Wendy Irish to place the purple martin house in the park, as long as an agreement is reached that is satisfactory to the City Manager. Support by Commissioner Ballas.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

3. Full Service Organics Management LLC Agreement Bio Solids Hauling

Moved by Commissioner Berry to approve the Full Service Organics Management LLC Agreement for hauling bio solids. Support by Commissioner Bogater.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

4. Treasurer's Monthly Report

Moved by Commissioner Ballas to approve the Treasurer's monthly report as submitted. Support by Commissioner Berry.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

5. Monthly Reports - Committee- Fire - Police - WWTP

Commissioner Eckert commented that the City Fire Department did really well when the mill had a chemical spill.

6. DDA - Partnerships updates Kathy Reynolds

Kathy Reynolds stated that the Façade Grant, Flower/Beautification program is launching. The murals for the bathroom walls at the park are in the drawing stage. Also, she is working on the stenciling of the crosswalks. Last, the budgets for the DDA and Chamber are both doing well.

D. NEW CITY BUSINESS

1. Munising Bay Trail Network Request Permission to expand the Bike Park

Moved by Commissioner Eckert to allow the Munising Bay Trail Network club to go ahead with plans to expand the bike park. Support by Commissioner Berry.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

2. VVA Dan LaCombe Request to Sell Raffle Tickets in the Park

Moved by Commissioner Ballas to grant the VVA the right to sell raffle tickets in the park, but not in the street or pavilion. Support by Commissioner Eckert.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

3. Chris Case with the Recycling Committee Requests to use Parking Lot by the Food Pantry

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Moved by Commissioner Berry to allow the Recycling Committee to place a box by the Alger County Food Pantry. Support by Commissioner Ballas.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

4. License Agreement with Alger Parks and Recreation Department, Inc. - Concerts in the park

Moved by Commissioner Berry to approve the License Agreement with Alger Parks and Recreation Department, Inc. setting times and authorizing the City Manager to sign the necessary documents. Support by Commissioner Eckert.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

5. License Agreement Treasa Sowa Farmers' and Artisans' Market

Moved by Commissioner Berry to table this item until Treasa can attend a meeting. Support by Commissioner Ballas.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

6. Resolution Approving Waterways Grant Application for Boat Ramp Reconstruction

Moved by Commissioner Eckert to approve the Resolution for the Waterways Grant Application for boat ramp reconstruction. Support by Commissioner Ballas.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

7. Approve City Commission Meeting Minutes 03-03-2021

Moved by Commissioner Berry to approve the City Commission Meeting Minutes of 03-03-2021 as submitted. Support by Commissioner Bogater.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

8. Approve Check Register/List of Bills

Moved by Commissioner Ballas to approve and pay the Check Register/List of Bills as submitted. Support by Commissioner Berry.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

9. City Manager Report

With spring approaching quickly, the City is working on preparing for a very busy 2021 construction season. Representatives from the City will be meeting with MDOT and their contractor, BACCO, to begin putting a schedule together for 2021 as the majority of the project underground infrastructure improvements will occur during this year's season. We continue to work with Bill Ramsey on a service provision agreement to extend our sanitary sewer into Grand Island Township. UPEA has a draft set of construction plans ready to be finalized as soon as the City and Mr. Ramsey can come to terms on an agreement.

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) held a webinar for system administrators this past week and announced that 301 communities applied for the EGLE Water Asset Management grants with total

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request of over \$138 million dollars. The total amount of funding approved by the legislature for the program was \$32 million. EGLE is in the process of reviewing all of the applications and should be announcing the awards in the next couple of weeks. The annual let run order will be rescinded on April 1<sup>st</sup> as the frost depth and weather will negate the need for the order. Following the completion of this years M-28 utility upgrade project, the annual let run customers should drop by over 66%.

Next week I will be meeting with representatives from UPPCO and Asplundh tree removal to review a number of trees that were deemed as a danger by the Alger Conservation District. Asplundh will be in the Munising area this summer as UPPCO's trimming and removal contractor and may be able to remove a number of trees within the City's tree removal RFP at no cost to the City.

The repair work to the Vactor truck was completed and we were able to bring it back from Doheney on Thursday. The Vactor was quickly put back into service Friday morning jetting out frozen storm sewers. During the replacement of the hydraulic seal, a handful of accompanying items were not able to be reused and needed to be replaced which increased the cost by roughly \$1,200.00.

City Hall and the remainder of all City Departments have been brought back to full staffing and normal scheduling as of March 1<sup>st</sup>. As the rollout of COVID-19 vaccines increase, a new operational policy will need to be established when MIOSHA and MDHHS provide written guidance on vaccinated workplaces. City Hall is aiming for a limited opening to the public on March 29<sup>th</sup> once proper safety and sanitation methods are updated under any potential revised guidance.

Another item that is on our radar is recently enacted federal COVID-19 relief package and the state and local government programs that were funded. The MML and MTA have provided a general synopsis of how potential funds and programs may be structured however there has been no set-in stone guidance on both funding levels or the requirements of those funds.

Lastly, our favorite furry friend at City Hall left us late last week. Shadow was a fixture at City Hall and he will be dearly missed. Shadow loved attention and in a very suiting manner M-Live picked up on the report and distributed a story state wide regarding his passing.

Commissioner Eckert asked about a fish cleaning station, City Manager Olson stated that it is already part of the grant goal.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

There were no comments on correspondence.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS (non-agenda items)

The City Manager will be planning for in-person meetings unless he hears otherwise.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Ballas to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the City Commission. Support by Commissioner Berry.

Roll Call Vote

Approved: Yeas: Commissioners: Ballas, Berry, Bogater, Eckert and Mayor  
Nettleton  
Nays: None

The Regular Meeting of the City Commission adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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D. M. Nettleton, Mayor

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Sue Roberts, City Clerk

LIST OF BILLS

36129)	NORTHSTAR EAP & LIFE COUNSELING	819.00
36130)	UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY	16893.79
36131)	MARK MAKI	100.00
36132)	U.S. PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT	1585.20
36133)	POMASL FIRE EQUIPMENT	315.18
36134)	ALGER COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY	325.00
36135)	DEVIN OLSON	190.00
36136)	D ROBB FERGUSON	3000.00
36137)	ALGER PARKS & RECREATION	6477.25

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36138)	SUPERIOR ELECTRIC INC.	363.96
36139)	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	506.92
36140)	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	312.30
36141)	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN	29381.10
36142)	VISION SERVICE PLAN	438.80
36143)	DELTA DENTAL	1700.55
36144)	TRUDELL PLUMBING & HEATING	7992.00
36145)	SEABERG ENTERPRISES, INC.	2562.00
36146)	MAZZALI AGENCY	763.00
36147)	TRI-COUNTY SEPTIC & SONS LLC	1000.00
36148)	D ROBB FERGUSON	2650.00
36149)	MILLER BRADFORD & RISBERG	1583.00
36150)	WOLVERINE DOOR SERVICE INC.	814.64
36151)	PETERSON PUBLISHING INC.	134.00
36152)	HOLIDAY COMPANIES	2720.07
36153)	SHELL FLEET PLUS	1515.88
36154)	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	114.07
36155)	UPPER PENINSULA RECREATION INC.	1230.77
36156)	FABICK CAT	191.45
36157)	MIDWAY RENTALS	179.00
36158)	ALTRAN	8.00
36159)	UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY	5614.37
36160)	MADIGAN'S HARDWARE	249.82
36161)	TECK SOLUTIONS	1680.00
36162)	HIAWATHA TELEPHONE COMPANY	1001.45
36163)	VERIZON WIRELESS	720.90
36164)	AUTO-WARES GROUP	17.95
36165)	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	106.83
36166)	OLSON BZDOK & HOWARD, P.C.	370.00
36167)	LAMMI FIRE PROTECTION	1457.55
36168)	AUTO-WARES GROUP	433.53
36169)	NAPA AUTO PARTS	329.71
36170)	COLLEGE LAUNDRY & RENTAL	278.00
36171)	MARTHALER MARQUETTE	587.96
36172)	VOIDED	VOIDED
36173)	US BANK	21923.75
36174)	GREAT AMERICAN DISPOSAL COMPANY	4738.01