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MUNISING, MI 49862  
AGENDA  
MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2022  
6:00 P.M.

- A. CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT (non-agenda items)
- C. OLD CITY BUSINESS
  - 1. Treasurer's Monthly Report
  - 2. Monthly Reports - Committee- Fire - Police - WWTP
  - 3. DDA - Partnerships updates Kathy Reynolds
- D. NEW CITY BUSINESS
  - 1. Appointments to the DDA Citizens Council: Janet & Mike Demogola, Brice Burge, David Fulcher and Angela Gerou
  - 2. Waste Water Improvements Change Order No. 3 Increasing by \$384,838.20
  - 3. Approve City Commission Meeting Minutes of 1-5-2022
  - 4. Approve Check Register/List of Bills
  - 5. 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, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the City Commission was duly called and held on, Monday, **January 17, 2022**, in the Commission Meeting Room of City Hall. 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)

There were no public comments.

- C. OLD CITY BUSINESS

- 1. Treasurer's Monthly Report

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

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

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

There were no comments on the monthly reports.

- 3. DDA - Partnerships updates Kathy Reynolds

Kathy was not in attendance she submitted the following report.

GREATER MUNISING BAY PARTNERSHIP/ALGER CO. CHAMBER &  
MUNISING DDA  
Report for City Commission Meeting

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1. The DDA has been working with the development of the new plan amendment and is planning a meeting with the DDA Citizens Council at the end of this month to review the plan and DDA goals. At that meeting the DDA will also be approving the Superior St. project grant agreement.
2. Winter tourism is now in full swing with a good amount of snow. The hotels and businesses working with winter tourists has indicated that business is good.
3. Meetings and get-togethers are being planned here in the area with various representatives from Lansing. Typically, at this time of year and with the UP 200 approaching, many state officials visit the area. When they do so, many times I assist with hosting, especially for visits here to the Munising area.
4. Three of the new holiday decorations (M28) were damaged when the brackets they were on broke. The company that we purchased those from has been contacted and they will be replacing those free of charge.
5. Attendance at many meetings regarding labor issues, childcare and other economic issues effecting the region currently.

D. NEW CITY BUSINESS

1. Appointments to the DDA Citizens Council: Janet & Mike Demogola, Brice Burge, David Fulcher and Angela Gerou

Moved by Commissioner Ballas to approve the appointments of Janet & Mike Demogola, Brice Burge, David Fulcher and Angela Gerou to the DDA Citizens Council. Support by Commissioner Berry.

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

2. Waste Water Improvements Change Order No. 3 Increasing by \$384,838.20

Moved by Commissioner Eckert to approve Change Order No. 3 increasing the Waste Water Improvement project amount by \$384,838.20. Support by Commissioner Ballas.

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

3. Approve City Commission Meeting Minutes of 1-5-2022

Moved by Commissioner Berry to approve the Commission Meeting Minutes of 1-5-2022 as submitted. Support by Commissioner Bogater.

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

4. Approve Check Register/List of Bills

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

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

5. City Manager Report

City Administration is continuing to work with our municipal advisor on our potential pension funding bond. On Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup> we had our document review call with the Michigan Department of Treasury. The City and our work group had to submit a handful of revised documents prior to our call following the submission of our application in early December. At the completion of the call, we were notified that all documents appeared to be in order and formal approval to continue with the process should be delivered in the next 15 business days. Municipal bond rates appear to remain near their short-term low which will hopefully continue for the next couple of months.

The City of Munising was able to secure funding for the rehabilitation of the final portion of Sand Point Road through the MDOT Rural Task Force process. We worked with our partners at ALTRAN and the Alger County Road

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Commission to dedicate funding during the 2026 Fiscal Year. The project has officially been added to the 5-year transportation plan and can be advanced if additional funding is available. When this project is completed, over 70% of our major streets that are eligible for federal funds will have been reconstructed within a 12-year span with a total investment of \$3.9 million.

The City is working with representatives of the Superior Watershed on obtaining an EV grant that may facilitate the installation of an EV charging station at City Hall that will have no capital or maintenance cost for the City. The Superior Watershed would be the grant recipient with the City being a partner that helps facilitate the EV location.

Due to the recent rise in COVID cases within the City organization, I have instituted a revised masking and social distancing protocol for all employees and our facilities. These protocols have been put in place to assist in ensuring that we have adequate staffing across all of our departments. I have been working with the Alger County emergency management office to secure sufficient Personal Protective Equipment for our employees. As of today, we currently have five employees out of work due to COVID-19. This number represents roughly 20% of our workforce and 33% of our public works department. These protocols will become effective on January 18<sup>th</sup> and will remain in effect until further notice.

City Attorney Ferguson and I are continuing to attempt to establish a dialogue with the Michigan Nature Association ahead of the 2022 summer season. Although little progress has been made at this time we will continue to work towards positive steps.

The Parks and Recreation survey roll out was very positive with over 100 surveys taken online last week. CUPPAD and the City will continue to push the survey on social media as we near the cut-off date of February 4<sup>th</sup>.

The replacement street light installation in the Downtown has been temporarily delayed as the electrician has experienced a COVID related delay due to staffing. We hope that the replacement lights will be installed this week.

Anderson-Tackman will be here on February 21<sup>st</sup> for the audit presentation.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no new correspondence.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS (non-agenda items)

There were no public comments.

G. ADJOURNMENT

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

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

The Regular Meeting of the City Commission adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

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D.M. Nettleton, Mayor

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Sue Roberts, City Clerk

LIST OF BILLS

37158)	COLLEGE LAUNDRY & RENTAL	646.00
37159)	ELCOM SYSTEMS	370.77
37160)	PUTVIN DRUG STORE	11.39
37161)	CASH	78.50
37162)	VERIZON WIRELESS	682.26
37163)	AUTO-WARES GROUP	478.70
37164)	MY WEB MAESTRO	96.00
37165)	FASTENAL COMPANY	128.29
37166)	UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY	27.10
37167)	US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	356.98
37168)	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	114.03
37169)	ELECTION SOURCE	615.00
37170)	ALGER PARKS & RECREATION	6477.25
37171)	D ROBB FERGUSON	3000.00
37172)	ALGER COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY	325.00

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37173)	DEVIN OLSON	190.00
37174)	UPPER PENINSULA RECREATION INC.	1230.77
37175)	LASCO	472.75
37176)	CHRISTMAS AUTO REPAIR	71.35
37177)	TRUCK EQUIPMENT, INC.	429.98
37178)	MICHIGAN STATE POLICE	165.00
37179)	US PRINTERS	207.95
37180)	STREICHER'S - MINNEAPOLIS	864.79
37181)	HIAWATHA TELEPHONE COMPANY	1123.19
37182)	EMBERS CREDIT UNION	107.71
37183)	GEROU EXCAVATING, INC.	110937.20
37184)	UP INTERNATIONAL TRUCK	49.33
37185)	LYNN AUTO PARTS	269.55
37186)	HYDRO CORP	2467.00
37187)	STATE OF MICHIGAN	1231.42
37188)	NORTH CENTRAL LABORATOREIS	878.32
37189)	WOLVERINE DOOR SERVICE INC.	538.70
37190)	U.P. LAB TESTING	216.00
37191)	ALGER COUNTY ELECTRIC	1552.00
37192)	MARK MAKI	50.00
37193)	SHELL FLEET PLUS	2462.38
37194)	CITY OF MUNISING-WATER	1480.62
37195)	EMBERS CREDIT UNION	133.93
37196)	COMPUDYNE, INC.	70.00
37197)	KCI	247.00
37198)	FABICK CAT	188.35
37199)	VOIDED	VOIDED
37200)	EJ USA INC.	514.40
37201)	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE	14.65
37202)	ANSER SERVICES	110.00
37203)	JACKLIN STEEL SUPPLY COMPANY	1792.60
37204)	SUPERIOR WALK IN CENTER	35.00
37205)	COLEMAN ENGINEERING COMPANY	1786.00
37206)	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	329.59
37207)	ANDERSON, TACKMAN & COMPANY	6040.00
37208)	ROAD MACHINERY & SUPPLIES COMPANY	2823.00
37209)	EMBERS CREDIT UNION	865.15
37210)	MADIGAN'S HARDWARE	425.42
37211)	HOLIDAY-WEX BANK	3112.18
37212)	MILLER BRADFORD & RISBERG	655.86