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CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2021
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
No Old Business
- D. NEW CITY BUSINESS
 - 1. Neil Perry Commercial Dock Space Request
 - 2. Resolution Supporting Moving the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore Visitor Center from Washington St.
 - 3. Resolution Supporting the Purchase of at least 1 Electronic Speed Sign for Washington St.
 - 4. Appoint Members to the Animal Ordinance Ad-Hoc Committee 2 needed
Letter of Interest: Patty Britton and Brian Buysse
 - 5. Appoint Members to the American Rescue Act Ad-Hoc Committee
Letter of Interest: Brice Burge 2 needed
 - 6. M-28 Sewer Improvements Project Pay Request \$103,265.23
 - 7. M-28 Water Improvements Project Pay Request \$126,688.43
 - 8. Approve City Commission Meeting Minutes of 8-16-2021
 - 9. Approve Check Register/List of Bills
 - 10. 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 Wednesday, **September 1, 2021**, in the Commission Meeting Room of City Hall. Mayor Nettleton called the Regular 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 on non-agenda items.
- C. OLD CITY BUSINESS
No Old Business
- D. NEW CITY BUSINESS
 - 1. Neil Perry Commercial Dock Space Request

Moved by Commissioner Ballas to request the City Attorney to draft a contract for one year with a three year renewal. Once drafted contract is to be

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reviewed by the Commission before final approval. Support by Commissioner Eckert.

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

- 2. Resolution Supporting Moving the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore Visitor Center from Washington St.

Moved by Commissioner Berry to approve the Resolution supporting moving the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore Visitor Center from Washington St. Support by Commissioner Bogater.

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

City of Munising

Resolution supporting a placement change for the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore (PRNL) Visitor Center on Washington St.

Whereas: According to PRNL statistics, the National Lakeshore has seen an increase in visitors by over 50% in the last two years, from 800,000 to 1.2 million, and

Whereas: Prior to two years ago, the PRNL Visitor Center was located in downtown Munising, it was moved to the Washington St. location, and

Whereas: The current location was supposed to be an interim location, but now appears permanent according to Dave Horne, the Superintendent and is now located in a residential district away from downtown, and

Whereas: 3,000 to 4,000 vehicles now pass through this residential district on a daily basis from June through October, and

Whereas: There are no sidewalks or bike paths and the rate of speed is often excessive causing risk of bodily injury for walkers and bikers as well as possible vehicle accidents, and

Whereas: The Munising Hospital is located directly across from the Visitor Center and the amount of excessive traffic could cause problems for ambulance and EMS vehicles, and

Whereas: Twenty one residents live on Washington St. (three fourths of the total) have signed a petition to move the Visitor Center, (see copy attached), and

Whereas: the City of Munising is respectfully requesting the PRNL to move the interim Visitor Center to a more suitable location,
Now therefore be it resolved that the City Commission hereby directs the City Manager to forward this Resolution in original form to all current legislative representatives as well as the superintendent of the PRNL and his immediate Supervisor Dr. Herbert Frost, director of the NPS Midwest Region.

Date

Sue Roberts, City Clerk

- 3. Resolution Supporting the Purchase of at least 1 Electronic Speed Sign for Washington St.

Moved by Commissioner Berry to approve the purchase of one electronic speed sign, also authorizing the City Manager to spend up to \$5,000.00 for its purchase. Support by Commissioner Mayor Nettleton.

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

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Resolution supporting the purchase of at least one and preferably two electronic speed signs for Washington St., Munising Michigan

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Whereas: Munising has seen an increase in visitors by over 50% in the last two years, and

Whereas: Two years ago the Visitor Center for the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore (PRNL) moved from downtown Munising to Washington St., and

Whereas: Now 3,000 to 4,000 vehicles traverse Washington St. on a daily basis from June through October, and

Whereas: There are no sidewalks or bike paths, and the rate of speed is often excessive causing risk of bodily injury to walkers and bikers as well as possible vehicle accidents, and

Therefore Be it Resolved: That the City Commission of the City of Munising is in receipt of this request from the City of Munising's Planning Commission.

Date

Sue Roberts, City Clerk

4. Appoint Members to the Animal Ordinance Ad-Hoc Committee 2 needed
Letter of Interest: Patty Britton and Brian Buysse

Moved by Commissioner Berry to appoint Patty Britton and Brian Buysse to be seated on the Animal Ad-Hoc Ordinance Committee. Support by Commissioner Ballas.

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

5. Appoint Members to the American Rescue Act Ad-Hoc Committee
Letter of Interest: Brice Burge 2 needed

Moved by Commissioner Bogater to appoint Brice Burge and Helen Sanders to be seated on the American Rescue Act Ad-Hoc Committee. Support by Commissioner Eckert.

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

6. M-28 Sewer Improvements Project Pay Request \$103,265.23

Moved by Commissioner Berry to approve payment of \$103,265.23 for M-28 Sewer Improvements. Support by Commissioner Eckert.

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

7. M-28 Water Improvements Project Pay Request \$126,688.43

Moved by Commissioner Ballas to approve payment of \$126,688.43 for M-28 Water Improvements. Support by Commissioner Berry.

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

8. Approve City Commission Meeting Minutes of 8-16-2021

Moved by Commissioner Eckert to approve the City Commission Meeting Minutes of 8-16-2021 as submitted. Support by Commissioner Berry.

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

9. Approve Check Register/List of Bills

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

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

10. City Manager Report

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BACCO continues to make good progress on the M-28 project. The focus of roadway work has been in the area of the high school intersection in preparation for the school year. BACCO's pipe crew has moved back to Spruce St. and are working on completing the new service lines to the south side of M-28. Once the crew has worked West of Cherry St. they will begin sanitary sewer main replacement westward to Hickory St.

After a long-delayed review of the final plans, specs, and contract documents the USDA-RD office has approved our bid packet. The packets were dispersed to our regional construction exchanges on Monday. The anticipated award date for this portion of the sewer project is October 6th. The proposed start date for construction is spring/summer of 2022. This brings the number of 2022 major infrastructure projects up to four.

UPEA is beginning their site surveys at the Munising Municipal Boat Launch this upcoming week. The bathometric and topographic surveys will take place in early September with the subcontractor of Tri-media doing soil borings towards the end of the month. The existing soil conditions coupled with the identification of the water table will help in the development of the future use and parking layouts.

Both the City marina/boat launch and tourist park have had their best summers on record. The tourist park is booked solid on the weekend through the remainder of the reservation season and marina saw an increase in revenues of over 30% compared to last season. As we near fall we will begin planning the winterization of both facilities. The floating docks will begin their winterization process immediately following Labor Day and the campground will be winterize in early October.

Asplundh will be back in town this month finishing another round of tree cutting. The majority of the trees that will be removed are being done so as directed by UPPCO for their reliability requirements. The trees slated to be removed were identified by both the Alger Conservation District and UPPCO as needing to be removed however UPPCO will be covering the majority of the cost of removals. Once completed, the City will be renting an industrial stump grinder and will be addressing a large number of stumps within the right of way.

Lastly, the City is reviewing LMAS guidance on COVID precaution recommendation. Based on the directives of LMAS, the City of Munising may be altering our masking and social distancing requirements. This will continue to be a fluid operational issue as cases and guidance from regulatory bodies continues to be updated.

City Manager Olson stated that the old fire hall building owners are working with the County Brownfield to revamp it. Also, regarding Walnut St. repairs this project should start the last week in September with a completion time of October 2021.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no new correspondence.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS (non-agenda items)

Matt Treado with UPEA stated that the sewer GI project bids let on Monday, the start date is in October.

G. ADJOURNMENT

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

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

The Regular Meeting of the City Commission adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

D.M. Nettleton, Mayor

Sue Roberts, City Clerk

LIST OF BILLS

36722)	DTE ENERGY	311.81
36723)	41 LUMBER COMPANY	83.07

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36724)	COMPUDYNE, INC.	70.00
36725)	UPPER PENINSULA RECREATION INC.	1230.77
36726)	DENMAN'S HARDWARE	380.18
36727)	UP INTERNATIONAL TRUCK	1112.77
36728)	ALTRAN	8.00
36729)	MANISTIQUE OIL COMPANY INC.	11225.72
36730)	GREAT AMERICAN DISPOSAL COMPANY	7360.45
36731)	BB&T GOV'T FINANCE	59,810.80
36732)	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN	30706.76
36733)	UPPER PENINSULA RECREATION INC.	3145.12
36734)	UPPER PENINSULA RECREATION INC.	3941.96
36735)	HOLLAND PUMP COMPANY	31933.50
36736)	HIAWATHA TELEPHONE COMPANY	40.36
36737)	KATHY REYNOLDS	50.00
36738)	SIGNS NOW	3218.00
36739)	GREATER MUNISING BAY	831.45
36740)	MADIGAN'S HARDWARE	1031.98
36741)	EMBERS CREDIT UNION	11.98
36742)	DOG WASTE DEPOT	119.78
36743)	SUZETTE RICHARDSON	50.00
36744)	DISPLAY SIGNS COMPANY	19397.00
36745)	UPPER PENINSULA RECREATION INC.	3655.52
36746)	EMBERS CREDIT UNION	1355.44
36747)	UPPER PENINSULA RECREATION INC.	3780.04
36748)	NORTHWEST PETROLEUM SERVICE	98.75
36749)	DELTA DENTAL	1877.24
36750)	VISION SERVICE PLAN	471.81
36751)	CASH	92.84
36752)	ALGER COUNTY ELECTRIC	99.00
36753)	US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	169.99
36754)	PARAGON LABORATORIES, INC.	1538.00
36755)	STEPHEN DAUSEY	25.00
36756)	PAGAGON LABORATORIES, INC.	1745.00
36757)	UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY	20275.08
36758)	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	19358.15
36759)	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	1251.81