

# CITY OF MARKESAN COMMON COUNCIL

February 11, 2020

## MINUTES

### 1. Preliminaries

1.1 Meeting was called to order by Mayor Slate at 7:00 pm.

1.2 Present were Mayor Slate, Ald. Abendroth, Ald. Henke, Ald. Bieszki, Ald. Thiem (arrived at 7:04 pm) Ald. Triemstra, Ald. Kazda and Clerk-Treasurer Amend. Also present was Roger Matthews from the Berlin Journal, Connie Wilsnack, and Paul Salzwedel.

1.3 No Citizen's Comments.

### 2. Approval & Review of Minutes, Reports & Correspondence

2.1 After review, motion Bieszki/Triemstra to approve the January 14, 2020 Common Council minutes; motion carried 5-0.

2.2-2.6 After review of all items, motion Triemstra/Kazda to approve the January Police Report & February Schedule, Public Property & Health minutes of February 4, 2020, Finance, Personnel & Safety minutes of February 4, 2020, Streets, Buildings & Utilities minutes of February 4, 2020, January Library's Director's Report and Markesan Library Board minutes of January 16, 2020, and Planning Commission minutes of January 7, 2020; motion carried 5-0.

### 3. Approval of Claims:

3.1 The Finance, Personnel & Safety Committee reviewed City and Utility checks and recommended approval to the Council. Motion Abendroth/Triemstra to approve the following vouchers as presented: City Checks #35754-35808, Electronic Payments #EFT 0967-0973, and Direct Deposits #3427-3468 in the amount of \$513,624.08, and Utility Checks #12501-12517 in the amount of \$38,382.34; motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

3.2 After review, by consensus the January 2020 Treasurer's Report was filed for audit.

### 4. New Business

4.1 Motion Abendroth/Bieszki to approve hiring Ryan Behlke as the new part-time officer starting 2/12/2020 at the current wage; motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

4.2 After discussion, motion Triemstra/Bieszki to approve a 45-day extension from February 1, 2020 to Hornet's Nest for their liquor license; motion carried 6-0.

4.3 After discussion, motion Bieszki/Triemstra to approve and waive the reading of Ordinance #256 – Dangerous Dogs; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

### 5. Old Business

5.1 Motion Triemstra/Thiem to grant the property owner of 650 N. Margaret Street in Markesan until May 12, 2020 to do repairs and bring buildings #5, #6 and #9 up to serviceable condition and code per inspection by the building inspector. Property owner is to keep the Council up to date on all action being done to rectify the problem via email to the Clerk. If not completed by deadline, the City of Markesan will serve a 30 day raze order for the three buildings to the property owner; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

### 6. Closed Session: Davey's Small Engine Repair Personal Property Tax Collection

The Common Council may, by roll call vote, convene in Closed Session, pursuant to Wis. Stats.

19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel for the government body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved, after which they may reconvene in Open Session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(2).

Reconvene in Open Session to Take Possible Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session.

Motion Abendroth/Bieszki to convene into Closed session at 7:29 pm; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote; Abendroth-yes, Bieszki-yes, Henke-yes, Mayor Slate-yes, Kazda-yes, Thiem-yes, Triemstra-yes.

Motion Abendroth/Triemstra to reconvene back into Open session at 7:41 pm; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

No Motion in Open Session.

- 7. Schedule Future Meetings and Agenda Items.** The following meetings were scheduled: Finance, Personnel & Safety Committee of the Whole – Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 6:00 pm at City Hall; Public Property & Health – Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 6:30 pm at City Hall; Finance, Personnel & Safety on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 immediately following Public Property & Health meeting at City Hall; Streets, Buildings & Utilities – Tuesday, March 3, 2020 immediately following Finance, Personnel & Safety meeting at City Hall; and Common Council on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 7:00 pm at City Hall.
- 8. Adjournment.** Motion Triemstra/Bieszki to adjourn; motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elizabeth A. Amend, Clerk-Treasurer