

CITY OF MARKESAN COMMON COUNCIL

Markesan City Hall

August 13, 2024

Minutes

1. Preliminaries

- 1.1 Meeting was called to order by Mayor Rich Slate at 7:00 pm.
- 1.2 Roll Call by the Clerk-Treasurer – Present was Ald. Abendroth, Ald. Kazda, Ald. Prill, Ald. Triemstra, Ald. Thiem, Ald. Lager via phone, Mayor Slate, and Clerk-Treasurer Betsy Amend. Also present was Berlin Journal Newspaper, Kristin Radtke
- 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.4 Citizen's comments: Comments from residents (outside city limits) who live by the Recycling Center, with concerns of danger of hunting with rifles there. One resident for bow hunting. They expressed tracking the deer as an issue.

2. Approval & Review of Minutes, Reports & Correspondence

- 2.1 After review, motion Triemstra/Abendroth to approve the July 9, 2024 Common Council minutes as presented; motion carried 6-0.
- 2.2-2.7 After review of all items, motion Prill/Thiem to approve Deer Managements minutes of August 8, 2024, approve the July 2024 Police Report, Public Property & Health minutes of August 6, 2024, Finance Personnel & Safety minutes of August 6, 2024, Streets, Buildings & Utilities minutes of August 6, 2024, July Library Director's Report and Markesan Library Board minutes of July 18, 2024; motion carried 6-0.

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 #38482-38529, Electronic Payments #EFT 1557-1568, Direct Deposits #6462-6512 for a total of \$166,404.98 and Utility Checks #13396-13417 for a total of \$37,766.14; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- 3.2 After review, by consensus the July 2024 Treasurer's Report was filed for audit.

4. New Business

- 4.1 Motion Prill/Thiem to approve three recommendations from the Deer Management Committee: 1) change the wording for the deer stands to "Stand removal at the end of the deer hunt season" in section 3g of the hunting rules, 2) Add the Log In Sign Up for all the hunters by adding 2d in the hunting rules, 3) Close the hunting land on the north side of E Manchester Street by Del Monte for hunting; motion carried 6-0. Motion Thiem/Prill to approve seven community stands for the hunt to be positioned by the deer committee where they feel best for hunt; motion carried 6-0.
- 4.2 Motion Thiem/Triemstra to approve the 2024 City Deer Management Hunt from September 14, 2024 until January 31, 2025; motion carried 6-0.
- 4.3 Motion Prill/Lager to approve the quote for removal of the cemetery trees from Capital Tree Service for two cedar trees and one oak tree; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- 4.4 Following discussion, motion Prill/Kazda to have General Engineering Company develop a Park Layout of amenities for Kiwanis Park, Not to Exceed \$1,000 (from the balance of the approved \$7,500 Park Plan Budget); motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- 4.5 Following discussion, motion Abendroth/Triemstra to approve the General Engineering quote for \$7,000 for the 2024 City Wide Income Survey for the 2026 Streets and Utility Project; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- 4.6 Second Reminder Sidewalk Repair Letters Were Mailed August 7, 2024. Sidewalks on John Street from Bergemann's West to the First City Parking Lot Entrance will be Repaired with 2026 Project; No action on the sidewalk update.

- 4.7 Motion Triemstra/Kazda to accept Officer Ryan Behlke's Resignation; motion carried 6-0.
- 4.8 Motion Triemstra/Abendroth to approve the Invoice for the Repair of the Emergency Siren by the City Garage from Sheboygan Warning Systems, Not to exceed \$1,484, with the Batteries Purchased from Menards; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- 4.9 Motion Kazda/Thiem to approve the 2024 Corn Roast Budget of \$3,560; motion carried 6-0.
- 4.10 Motion Prill/Kazda to approve the donation from the City's Event Fund for \$1,100 for the 2024 Corn Roast; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- 4.11 Motion Triemstra/Kazda to approve the legal fees invoice from Amundsen Davis Attorneys At Law for \$4,251.00, paid out of the police administration account; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- 4.12 Motion Thiem/Abendroth to approve the non-profit Markesan Bible Church to rent the parks at no cost, except the \$100 security deposit; motion carried 6-0.
- 4.13 Motion Kazda/Triemstra to grant Operator's License for the period ending 6/30/25: Emily Damerow, Erin Krueger, Brianna Rantzow and Nicole Walker; motion carried 6-0.

- 5. Schedule Future Meetings and Agenda Items.** The following meetings were scheduled:
COW Finance, Personnel & Safety for the Budget – August 27, 2024 at 6:00 pm at City Hall, Public Property & Health – September 5, 2024 at 6:00 pm at City Hall; Finance, Personnel & Safety – September 5, 2024 immediately following Public Property & Health meeting at City Hall, Streets, Building & Utilities – September 5, 2024 immediately following Finance, Personnel & Safety meeting at City Hall; and Common Council – September 10, 2024, at 7:00 pm at City Hall.

- 6. Adjournment.** Motion Triemstra/Kazda to adjourn; motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Amend, Clerk-Treasurer