



MARQUETTE CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP BOARD - REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023 - 5:30 PM

MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER

1. Call to order

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

2. Public Comment (3 Minutes maximum) *This Board is conducting a meeting today to take care of Township business. You are allowed to address the Board at least twice tonight, but we will not have back-and-forth conversations between the staff, the Board, and the public during Public Comment. For Public Comment, or if you would like to speak on a particular agenda item, state your name and address and you have three minutes to address the Board. The Board may, but is not required to, respond at Board Member Comment immediately following Public Comment. The Board may also request follow-up with the Township Manager on some matters addressed during Public Comment.*

3. Board Member Comment in Response to Public Comment

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of July 5, 2023.
- B. Bills Payable in the amount of \$145,563.10. Checks 163664 to 163710. Note any voided checks.
- C. Received Committee and Other Reports
- D. Correspondence not Requiring Board Action
 - 1. MCSWMA 7-19-23 Abbreviated Packet
 - 2. MEDC Abbreviated Business Report June 2023
 - 3. State of Michigan Before the Michigan Public Service Commission Notice of Hearing for the Gas Customers of Semco Energy Gas Company Case No. U-21328

5. Approval of the Agenda *(Declaration of Conflict of Interest, if any)*

6. Board Education/Privileged Comment

- A. Library Report
- B. Staff Reports
 - 1. Assessor's Report/Presentation
 - 2. Fire Department Report
 - 3. Public Works Report

4. Planning & Zoning Department
5. Attorney Report
7. **Community Linkage** *(primarily based on the Board's Annual Plan of Work. Board member comment regarding what we are hearing from the external environment about township issues and activities.)*
8. **Policy Discussion, Consideration and Development**
 - A. Consider a Resort Class C Economic Development Liquor License for Texas Roadhouse from the MLCC
 - B. Discuss Option Agreement from Renovare Development LLC
 - C. Consider Sheriff Vehicle Decals
 - D. Consider Providing a Grant of \$25,000 to the DDA to "Gap-Fund" a TAP Grant
 - E. Consider Sewer Easement on UPHS Marquette Property
9. **Assurance of Organizational Performance**
 - A. Board - Committee Updates
 1. Recreation Committee
 2. Planning Report
 3. Community Day Report
10. **Public Comment (3 Minutes maximum)**
11. **Meeting Wrap-up**
 - A. Announcements
 - B. Manager's Report
 - C. Review of Motions Passed & Assignments, if any
 - D. Items for Future Agenda
 - E. Board Member Comment
12. **Adjournment**

Next Scheduled Meeting Date is August 2, 2023 at 5:30PM.

MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP WORK SESSION MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023 - 4:00 PM
MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER

Call to order:

Supervisor Durant called the Work Session to Order at 4:15PM.

Roll Call

Members present: Lyn Durant, Supervisor
Randy Ritari, Clerk
Ernest Johnson, Treasurer
Linda Winslow, Trustee
Dan Everson, Trustee
John Markes, Trustee
Karl Kytta, Trustee

Staff present: Roger Zappa, Township Attorney

Committee Members

Present: None

Public Comment (3 Minutes maximum):

None

Board Member Comment in Response to Public Comment:

None

Policy Discussion, Consideration and Development:

Discussion of the Township Investment Policy and Depository Designation Resolution

Various Board Discussion with the Township Attorney about the Township Investment Policy and Depository Designation Resolution, and consolidating them into one document for board approval at a future meeting.

Public Comment (3 Minutes maximum):

None

Meeting Wrap-up:

Announcements

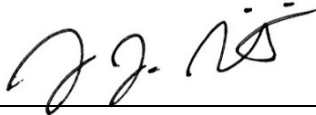
None

Board Member Comment

None

Adjournment:

Supervisor Durant adjourned the work session at 5:21PM.



Randy J. Ritari, Township Clerk

Lyn J. Durant, Township Supervisor

**MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023 - 5:30 PM
MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER**

Call to order:

Supervisor Durant called the Meeting to Order at 5:37PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Members present: Lyn Durant, Supervisor
Randy Ritari, Clerk
Ernest Johnson, Treasurer
Linda Winslow, Trustee
Dan Everson, Trustee
John Markes, Trustee
Karl Kytta, Trustee

Staff present: Jon Kangas, Township Manager (Teleconference)
Roger Zappa, Township Attorney
Erick Powers, Township Staff Planner

Committee Members

Present: None

Public Comment (3 minutes each):

Supervisor Durant, read a Thank You card from the Car Show Committee.

Board Member Comment in Response to Public Comment:

None

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Work Session Minutes of June 20, 2023, and Regular Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2023.

Bills Payable in the amount of \$119,289.59. Checks 163624 to 163663. Note any voided checks.

Received Committee and Other Reports

Correspondence not Requiring Board Action

MCSWMA Chair Report-June 2023

U.P. Power Co Hearing-July 12, 2023

U of M CLOSUP Survey 6-29-23

Financial

Budget Amendment 2023-01

*Budget Amendment No. 2023-01
June 20, 2023*

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MARQUETTE
FY 2023 BUDGET RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Marquette Township Board to establish General and Special Appropriations Acts for the purpose of budgeting Township finances in a manner which does not allow expenditure, including any accrued deficits, to exceed revenues, including any available unappropriated surpluses, and,

WHEREAS, the Marquette Township Board recognizes that unforeseen activities may require amendments to these Appropriations Acts, such amendments shall be made by either formal resolution of the Marquette Township Board; or, by a ten percent (10%) of budget center contingency transfer authorized by the Township Manager, in such a manner so as not to allow the total expenditures, including accrued deficits, to exceed revenues and unappropriated surpluses; and,

WHEREAS, the Marquette Township Appropriations Acts for 2022 do not permit deviations which cause expenditures for any activity to exceed budgeted amounts without amendment to the Act by the Marquette Township Board or the aforementioned contingency transfer; and,

WHEREAS, the Marquette Township Board has duly reviewed the budgets for the General Appropriations Act and the Special Appropriations Act, both Acts include all funds of the Charter Township of Marquette, at public hearings of the Marquette Township Board,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marquette Township Board hereby amends the Appropriations Acts for 2022 in accordance with budgetary information presented to this Board and the limitations defined within this Resolution.

	Current Budget	Amended Budget	Change
General Fund			
Expenditures			
Elections	0	8,300	8,300
General Services Admin – Computer	35,000	76,000	41,000
Insurance	8,500	11,300	2,800
Fund Balance	1,983,329	1,931,229	(52,100)

Authorization is requested to allocate funding for the May 2, 2023 MARESA election. The expenditures will be fully reimbursed. Also requested is to increase the General Services Administration (Computer Services) and Insurance due to changes in provider contracts.

**MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda as Presented.
Motion – Clerk Ritari**

Second – Trustee Kytta

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Durant - Aye
Clerk Ritari - Aye
Treasurer Johnson -Aye
Trustee Markes -Aye
Trustee Winslow- Aye
Trustee Everson - Aye
Trustee Kytta - Aye

Carried (7-0)

Approval of the Agenda:

MOTION: To approve the Regular Agenda as presented.

Motion – Trustee Everson

Second – Treasurer Johnson

Carried (7-0)

Board Education/Privileged Comment:

None

Community Linkage :

Supervisor Durant, commented about the latest Tax Tribunal filing, communication with our County Commissioner about Rep Hill.

Policy Discussion, Consideration and Development:

Climate Action Resolution

(Background from Staff Planner Powers)

**RESOLUTION
IN SUPPORT OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MARQUETTE
CLIMATE ACTION RESOLUTION**

1.S, in 2018, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change warned that significant greenhouse gas emission reductions are critical by 2030 to avoid irreversible damage; and,

2.S, in September 2020, Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed Executive Order 2020-182 and Executive Directive 2020-10 to create the Michigan Climate Plan, putting Michigan on a path toward becoming fully carbon-neutral by 2050; and,

3.S, Marquette Charter Township has stated plans to preserve designated environmentally sensitive areas, that are incompatible with development, well planned land use management practices, and updated regulations and enforcement measures; and,

4.S, Marquette Charter Township has deemed shorelines environmentally sensitive areas and continued low density development along shorelines

residents from flooding and erosion hazards occurring from wave action; and,

• Lake Superior’s surface temperature has risen 6.3°F in the past four decades, three times faster than the global average, resulting in 79% decrease in ice cover, providing less protection from powerful storms that have damaged public infrastructure, private property and raising infrastructure maintenance costs; and,

• a transition to a clean energy economy, if not carefully planned, may have a disruptive impact on the livelihoods of many in our community; however, a well-planned transition may improve livability and offer financial benefit by providing expanded job opportunities for local residents through the development of a more resilient energy portfolio; and,

• the Marquette Charter Township 20-2024 Master Plan states a commitment to pursuing “Smart Growth” principles through re-development of infrastructure to maintain a compact and efficient community, that promotes walkability while protecting natural resources from the effects of sprawl; and,

• Utilizing the infill strategy will reduce the need for expanded infrastructure systems, while also preserving the culture of the rural community; and,

• Marquette Charter Township is a prime location for climate migrants looking to relocate due to the impacts of climate change on their current region, affordable and attainable housing, and necessary services must be available to account for a possible population increase; and,

• climate change has contributed to a decline in air quality from an increase in particulate matter related to a higher frequency of wildfires, and, in some areas, a decline in air quality increases the risk of illness for those with respiratory conditions, while also possibly having a negative effect on the health of the community; and,

• climate change has increased the frequency and intensity of extreme weather events, and coordinated emergency response teams with updated protocols and 911 capabilities is necessary to preserve the wellbeing of residents from climate related disasters; and,

• updated zoning ordinances regarding stormwater management practices have the potential to improve upon the current water quality standards in Marquette Charter Township, while also implementing protections to preserve high water quality standards for future residents; and,

• climate change has impacted the seasonality of Marquette Township leading to milder winters and longer hotter summers, these changes have led to a greater survival rate among insects carrying vector borne diseases; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that Marquette Charter Township declares that a climate emergency threatens the Township; and,

- that Marquette Charter Township will incorporate into future planning efforts a focus on energy conservation, increasing efficiency of public facilities, and adoption of renewable energy technology, when possible, thereby creating a model for private companies and residents to follow; and,
- that Marquette Charter Township will maintain a low density of residential development in areas that have been deemed “environmentally sensitive”, such as, erosion zones, floodplains, caving areas, shorelines, wetlands, swamps, marshes, wellhead protection areas, and recharge sites; and,
- that Marquette Charter Township will update ranking criteria for Capital Improvements Projects to better align with the Master Plan and available state, federal, philanthropic, and private funding for the above efforts; and,
- that Marquette Charter Township will plan infrastructure supporting climate adaptation and mitigation and understands a swift transition to electric vehicles is underway; and,
- that Marquette Charter Township understands the consequences of a changing climate and calls upon the residents, businesses and organizations within the Township to join the Township in the above stated efforts to mitigate and adapt to a changing climate
- The Township Board of Trustees of Marquette Township does hereby concur with the action of the Planning Commission by passing this resolution on the 5th Day of July, 2023.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Certification

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the motion adopted at the July 5, 2023 meeting of the Marquette Township Board of Trustees.

Randy J. Ritari, Clerk

MOTION: To approve the Climate Action Resolution as presented.

Motion – Trustee Markes

Second – Treasurer Johnson

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Durant - Aye

Clerk Ritari - Aye

Treasurer Johnson -Aye

Trustee Markes -Aye

Trustee Winslow- Aye

Trustee Everson - Aye

Trustee Kytta - Aye

Carried (7-0)

Consider Construction Agreement with MCRC for 2023 Overband Crack Filling

(Background from Manager Kangas)

MOTION: To approve the Construction Agreement with the Marquette County Road

Commission as presented.

Motion – Clerk Ritari

Second – Trustee Markes

Carried (7-0)

Assurance of Organizational Performance:

Board - Committee Updates

Roads Committee

Trustee Kytta, gave a brief report.

Planning Commission

Trustee Winslow, gave a brief report.

Public Comment (3 Minutes maximum):

None

Meeting Wrap-up:

Announcements

Clerk Ritari, commented about the Tax Bills being more in the summer due to the Schools wanting their distributions to be on the Summer Taxes.

Manager's Report

Manager Kangas, gave a verbal report.

Review of Motions Passed & Assignments, if any

Clerk Ritari, reviewed all motions from the meeting and any action items that needed to be done.

Items for Future Agenda

Library Report

MARESA CFO will come and present, and Renovare Development Option Agreement.

Board Member Comment

Trustee Winslow, commented about some stuff going on in neighborhoods at night, and if you are affected, call 911 to get the appropriate authorities to handle the situation.

Adjournment:

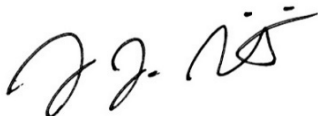
MOTION: To Adjourn the meeting.

Motion –Trustee Everson

Second – Clerk Ritari

Carried (7-0)

Supervisor Durant adjourned the meeting at 6:23PM.



Randy J. Ritari, Township Clerk

Lyn J. Durant, Township Supervisor

BILLS PAYABLE SUMMARY
7/19/23

1	7/6/23	Accounts Payable - Exempt	\$35,788.89
2	7/6/23	Accounts Payable - Exempt	\$1,372.08
3	7/7/23	Payroll-Fire Fighter	\$7,978.02
4	7/13/23	Accounts Payable - Exempt	\$22,043.02
5	7/13/23	Payroll-BiWeekly	\$43,921.74
6	7/19/23	For Board Approval	\$34,459.35

Total \$145,563.10

General Fund	\$42,466.53
Fire Fund	22,729.12
Twp. Improvements Fund	0.00
Wastewater Fund	12,887.36
Library Fund	0.00
DDA Fund	0.00
Stormwater Fund	0.00
Water Fund	24,094.26
Water Restricted Fund	0.00
Solid Waste Fund	42,633.13
Trust and Agency Fund	<u>752.70</u>
Total Disbursements	<u><u>\$145,563.10</u></u>

CHECK REGISTER REPORT
INCREDIBLE BANK

CHECK #	DATE	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
163670	07/06/2023	ASHLEY VEALE	UTILITY REFUND	590-542.000-642.000	18.68
				590-542.000-654.000	2.85
				591-541.000-642.000	15.41
				591-541.000-654.000	6.49
				596-000.000-630.000	7.39
163671	07/06/2023	BARAGA TELEPHONE COMPANY	PHONE	101-299.000-850.000	7.80
163672	07/06/2023	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONES;INTERNET	101-299.000-810.000	204.99
				101-299.000-850.000	143.19
163673	07/06/2023	CITY OF MARQUETTE	AMBULANCE INTERCEPT FEES	206-337.000-809.000	1,250.00
163674	07/06/2023	CITY OF MARQUETTE	WATER USAGE	591-570.000-921.000	7,985.54
163675	07/06/2023	JONAS TROMBETTA	UTILITY REFUND	591-541.000-655.000	189.65
163676	07/06/2023	JOSEPH & JANET KIM	UTILITY REFUND	596-000.000-630.000	10.14
163677	07/06/2023	MHR BILLING	AMBULANCE BILLING	206-337.000-802.000	775.00
163678	07/06/2023	MTFD SUPPORT ORGANIZATION	PAYROLL DEDC	701-000.000-231.000	250.00
163679	07/06/2023	NORTH COUNTRY DISPOSAL	JUNE GARBAGE/RECYCLING	101-265.000-930.000	150.00
				590-580.000-801.000	55.00
				591-580.000-801.000	55.00
				596-528.000-825.000	19,278.22
				596-528.000-880.000	325.00
163680	07/06/2023	RANDY RITARI	CAMERA OPERATOR	101-721.000-801.000	70.00
163681	07/06/2023	U. S. BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	COPIER	101-299.000-807.000	198.86
163682	07/06/2023	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	MATS & UNIFORMS	101-265.000-726.000	79.90
				101-265.000-750.000	43.93
				590-578.000-750.000	105.27
				591-578.000-750.000	105.27
163683	07/06/2023	UPHS-MARQUETTE	AMBULANCE INTERCEPT FEES	206-337.000-809.000	1,750.00
163684	07/06/2023	VERIZON WIRELESS	VARIOUS PHONES	101-172.000-850.000	51.02
				101-257.000-850.000	52.36
				101-299.000-850.000	286.64
				101-721.000-850.000	140.78
				206-337.000-850.000	103.44
				206-340.000-850.000	228.22
				590-558.000-850.000	301.62
				591-558.000-850.000	301.54
163685	07/06/2023	WEX BANK	MEIJER GASOLINE	206-340.000-863.000	642.17
				590-578.000-863.000	298.76
				591-578.000-863.000	298.76
TOTAL CHECKS (16)				\$	<u>35,788.89</u>

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EFT #	DATE	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
102(E)	07/06/2023	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	CLERK PENS	101-215.000-726.000	15.01
			LAMINATOR AND SUPPLIES	101-215.000-726.000	69.45
			NOTARY APPLICATION FEE - RITARI	101-215.000-955.000	10.17
			MAA CONFERENCE - RUFF	101-257.000-860.000	281.88
			AMERICAN FLAGS	101-265.000-726.000	95.20
			COMM ROOM SUPPLIES	101-265.000-726.000	145.58
			ZOOM SUBSCRIPTION	101-299.000-810.000	76.30
			CHARGER CAR WASH	101-299.000-931.000	10.00
			ANNUAL PRIME MEMBERSHIP FEE	101-299.000-955.000	139.00
			OFFICE CHAIR - MCCARTHY	101-721.000-726.000	321.12
			MTBA MEAL	101-721.000-860.000	21.76
			PREMIXED FUEL	101-756.000-726.000	38.14
			BASEBALL DIAMOND SAND	101-756.000-930.000	43.15
			PHONE SUPPLIES- ZYBURT	206-337.000-726.000	40.24
			FD FLASH DRIVES	206-337.000-726.000	43.89
			ADOBE MONTHLY FEE	590-558.000-830.000	10.59
			ADOBE MONTHLY FEE	591-558.000-830.000	10.60
TOTAL EFTS (2)					<u>\$ 1,372.08</u>

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CHECK NO.	DATE	EMPLOYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
163664 to 163669	6/30/23	Various	Payroll - Fire Fighters	7,978.02
DD7356 to DD7370				
		Total Checks (21)		<u>7,978.02</u>

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None

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Check #	Check Date	Payee	Description	GL #	Amount
163686	07/13/2023	AFSCME COUNCIL 25 AFL-CIO	PAYROLL DEDC	701-000.000-231.000	502.70
163687	07/13/2023	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	COPIER	101-299.000-807.000	72.30
163688	07/13/2023	MQT CTY SOLID WASTE MGMT AUTH	LANDFILL FEES - RESIDENTIAL	596-526.000-816.000 596-526.000-816.010	6,396.34 13,939.96
163689	07/13/2023	PENINSULA FIBER NETWORK LLC	COMPUTER SERVICES	101-299.000-810.000	1,051.82
163690	07/13/2023	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	101-265.000-726.000	<u>79.90</u>
TOTAL CHECKS (5)					<u>\$ 22,043.02</u>

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CHECK NO.	DATE	EMPLOYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
DD7371 to DD7391	7/13/23	Various	Payroll - Biweekly	43,921.74
Total Checks (21)				<u>43,921.74</u>

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Checks

None

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CHECK #	DATE	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
163691	07/19/2023	906 TECHNOLOGIES	COMPUTER SERVICES	101-299.000-810.000	530.00
163692	07/19/2023	ANDRA ZIEMS	JUNE 2023 MILEAGE	101-253.000-860.000	50.30
163693	07/19/2023	BENSINGER, COTANT	ATTORNEY SERVICES	101-105.000-803.000 101-299.000-955.010 101-721.000-803.000 591-558.000-830.000	800.00 700.00 562.50 12.50
163694	07/19/2023	CITY OF MARQUETTE	#2174 PRIMER VALVE & SWITCH REPAIR	206-340.000-930.000	1,169.99
163695	07/19/2023	DALCO	SUPPLIES	101-265.000-726.000 101-756.000-726.000 206-265.000-726.000 590-580.000-726.000 591-580.000-726.000	93.10 212.73 215.90 29.82 29.82
163696	07/19/2023	EJ USA, INC.	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	591-573.000-930.000	380.83
163697	07/19/2023	ETNA SUPPLY	EMPLOYEE SAFETY EXPENSE	590-578.000-961.000 591-578.000-961.000	3.98 3.99
163698	07/19/2023	GABRIDGE & COMPANY, PLC	2022 AUDIT	101-105.000-806.000 206-337.000-806.000 590-558.000-806.000 591-558.000-806.000 596-528.000-806.000	8,370.00 837.00 3,348.00 3,348.00 837.00
163699	07/19/2023	GALLS, LLC	UNIFORMS	206-337.000-750.000	65.99
163700	07/19/2023	INTEGRIS LLC	AUGUST 2023 COMPUTER SERVICES MICROSOFT 365 JUNE 2023 COMPUTER SERVICES	101-299.000-810.000 101-299.000-810.000 101-299.000-810.000	3,578.10 682.00 3,675.00
163701	07/19/2023	LAUREN ZYBURT	REIMB WORK BOOTS	206-337.000-750.000	119.82
163702	07/19/2023	MENARDS	SEWER MANHOLE REPAIR SUPPLIES HYDROVAC COUPLING/BUSHING HYDROVAC COUPLING/BUSHING	590-576.000-930.000 590-578.000-930.000 591-578.000-930.000	96.56 6.59 6.59
163703	07/19/2023	MIDWAY RENTALS AND SALES	HITCH, TRI-BALL, W/PINTLE HOOK HITCH, TRI-BALL, W/PINTLE HOOK	590-578.000-930.000 591-578.000-930.000	80.00 80.00
163704	07/19/2023	OBERSTAR INC.	WATER/SEWER STONE VARIOUS DIG REPAIR TOPSOIL WATER/SEWER STONE VARIOUS DIG REPAIR TOPSOIL	590-578.000-930.000 590-578.000-930.000 591-578.000-930.000 591-578.000-930.000	230.95 187.50 230.95 187.50
163705	07/19/2023	PRIDE PRINTING INC	UTILITY BILLING FORMS	590-558.000-900.000 591-558.000-900.000 596-528.000-900.000	899.33 899.33 899.34
163706	07/19/2023	QUILL	SUPPLIES	101-299.000-726.000	58.60
163707	07/19/2023	U. P. ENERGY SYSTEMS, LLC	GENERATOR REPAIR	206-265.000-930.000	383.00
163708	07/19/2023	USA BLUEBOOK	WELL CHEMICALS	591-569.000-726.000	234.74
163709	07/19/2023	WHITE WATER ASSOCIATES, INC.	WATER ANALYSIS	591-558.000-930.000	300.00
163710	07/19/2023	WOLVERINE DOOR SERVICE INC	FD KEYS SEWER PUMPER KEYS	206-265.000-726.000 590-584.000-930.000	12.00 10.00
TOTAL CHECKS (20)					<u>\$ 34,459.35</u>

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MARQUETTE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023, at 4:00 P.M.

AGENDA

1. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. PUBLIC COMMENT (not to exceed three minutes per person) Citizens may reserve time to speak on agenda items.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES a. 6/21/23 – Regular Meeting b. 7/3/23 – Special Meeting
5. CONSENT AGENDA a. Statistics – June 2023 b. Accounts Payable c. Board Member Contact List d. Return to Compliance e.
6. BUSINESS a. Banking b. Financials c. Recycling Financials d. Reimbursements e. NTH Request f. Gas Monitoring Equipment g. Landfill Cell 1 and 2 Project Recommendation h.
7. REPORTS a. Director Report b. Attorney Report c. Subcommittee Reports
8. PUBLIC COMMENT (not to exceed three minutes per person)
9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS a.
10. ADJOURNMENT

TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING, UTILIZE THE ZOOM MEETING LINK BELOW:

MCSWMA is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: MCSWMA Board Meeting

Time: Jul 19, 2023 04:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85172159096?pwd=WkpMaVZGVVlQY1crRmROWW11TE1Vdz09>

Meeting ID: 851 7215 9096

Passcode: 026836

Dial by your location

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MARQUETTE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Board Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting

June 21, 2023

DATE: Wednesday, June 21, 2023

PLACE: Landfill Administration Complex
600 County Road NP
Marquette, MI 49855

MEMBERS PRESENT: In Person: Randall Yelle, Glenn Adams, Carr Baldwin, Dennis Honch, Dave Campana, Amy Manning, Joe Minelli and Helen Amir (Alternate Board Member)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

EX OFFICIO: Brad Austin (in person)

OTHERS: In Person: William T. Nordeen, Attorney; Beth Bonanni, Recording Secretary; Amy Stakvel, MCSWMA; John Anderson, MCSWMA; Jim Belpedio, Champion Township; Judy White, Chocolay Township and Craig Marietti, Hilden Township. By Zoom: Lyn Durant, Marquette Township and Scott Cambensy, City of Marquette.

1. Call to Order: R. Yelle called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. Approval of Agenda: R. Yelle indicated there was an addition to the Agenda, 7 c, Subcommittee Reports. C. Baldwin made a motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of 7 c, Subcommittee Reports. G. Adams supported. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. 5/17/23 – Regular Meeting

C. Baldwin made a motion to approve the 5/17/23 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. D. Honch supported. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consent Agenda

- a. Statistics – May 2023
- b. Accounts Payable
- c. EGLE – Compliance Communication
- d. Fee Schedule

D. Honch made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. J. Minelli supported. Motion approved unanimously.

6. Business

- a. Banking – A. Manning made a motion to approve the banking. D. Honch supported. Motion passed unanimously. J. Minelli noted that the Honor Credit Union checking amounts listed for May-23 (\$36,985.45) compared to April-23, (\$248,614.10) was a big difference and was wondering if some money had been transferred. B. Austin said he would check with C. Magnuson to see if he transferred money for the MRF construction loan, which is paid quarterly.
- b. Financials – D. Honch made a motion to approve the financials. C. Baldwin supported. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. Recycling Financials – J. Minelli made a motion to approve the Recycling Financials. G. Adams supported. Motion approved unanimously. J. Minelli noticed health insurance was not included. J. Minelli asked if it was because it was the end of the month; otherwise, if the health insurance premium was paid, the bottom line would look different. B. Austin said he will check with C. Magnuson.

J. Minelli asked the Director if there was anything that could be done differently with the recycling financials. B. Austin said yes that attorney Nordeen is reviewing a contract with Sonoco. US Paper is who the Landfill works with on fiber and there will be a \$7.00 to \$10.00/ton increase if MCSWMA meets minimum volumes, which is approximately 500 tons/month. B. Austin feels the Landfill can meet this requirement. Markets were terrible in the first quarter of 2023, and it has been a slow rebound. B. Austin said he, the Chair, and attorney Nordeen had a really productive phone conference with the legislators, not only on PFAS, but on forming a recycling authority or consortium across the U.P. New regulations were signed in 2022 and recycling and materials management will not be going away. Communities with higher populations like Dickinson County will have to do something to deal with the regulations. The idea is to bring in multiple counties as a recycling authority and produce a revenue stream for the capital infrastructure for the MRF in Marquette and for other construction such as recycling drop-offs. B. Austin said if recycling is not under the control of MCSWMA and is instead mandated to go somewhere else, then MCSWMA would have no idea what is happening.

with it. MCSWMA is ahead of where the recycling financials were expected to be. People want to recycle, and they want to deliver it to Marquette, but MCSWMA cannot continue to foot the bill without assistance from the State of Michigan and other counties in the U.P. Both legislators brought the idea of having a U.P. recycling association or consortium to the table but also offered to introduce it to legislation to make it happen. Fiber is improving and fiber typically drives these programs. J. Minelli said the Authority is saving money by recycling because it is extending the life of the Landfill.

- d. Reimbursements – C. Baldwin made a motion to approve the reimbursements presented. D. Honch supported. Motion approved unanimously.
- e. Landfill Cell Liner Purchase – C. Baldwin made a motion to approve the purchase of the Landfill cell liner in the amount of \$74,750.00 from International Cover Systems. A. Manning supported. B. Austin presented a slideshow on the Landfill cells, which shows what is done to get the cells ready to accept solid waste. Motion approved unanimously.
- f. Mobile Equipment Safety Upgrades – J. Minelli made a motion to approve the purchase of air filtration/pressurization equipment in the amount of \$22,415.63 from Transport Refrigeration. D. Campana supported. J. Minelli asked if this was a request from the Union to the subcommittee to have done. B. Austin said yes, it was. A. Manning asked where this purchase would be allocated in the budget and if MCSWMA was over budget now? B. Austin said the plastic liner is coming out of the 5-year capital fund and the mobile equipment will come out of the operations budget and be pieced out from different accounts. Motion approved unanimously.
- g. FY 2023-2024 Budget – G. Adams made a motion to approve the FY 2023-24 Budget. C. Baldwin supported. A. Manning asked if B. Austin could highlight any substantial changes from last year? B. Austin said some of the things that will change are the regulatory requirements, specifically with PFAS, testing, and engineering for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Health insurance renewal will not be received until the Fall so it is hard to tell what the cost will be.

The maintenance department lost an employee through retirement who had extensive experience and so there has been an increase in costs for having some maintenance work outsourced.

7. Reports

- a. Director Report – The Director provided both written and oral reports. The Landfill received a \$50,000.00 grant from EGLE for the e-waste grant that was completed a few years ago for the battery campaign.

CUPAD wants to come to the Authority and provide an update at the county level on funding for recycling and to discuss Part 115 changes.

There has been a significant change in regard to leachate management from last month. MCSWMA is no longer eligible for the Clean Water State Revolving Program in 2024-2025. The criteria has changed not only for this year, but the same criteria will be used for 2025-2026, so the Landfill will not be eligible for this funding mechanism. The action to be taken now is to move the Administrative Consent Order and request an extension. MCSWMA will need to seek alternative funding. Operations will continue under the current permits and licensing. MCSWMA will be seeking an extension from the state. Construction was supposed to start on the project on August 1, 2024, so this is the date the Authority is focusing on.

The Winter storm in May was significant. As a result of the storm, it caused leachate to go outside of the active Landfill area. Compliance communication was received from EGLE on this issue.

The underdrains in the Landfill came up positive for PFAS. Waiting for communication from the state on this issue. PFAS is not in the down-gradient wells. All water at the Landfill in the future may have to go through the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

A press release said that the City of Marquette was looking at recycling 95% of the materials from the demolition of the Marquette General Hospital site. The landfill also expects to receive materials from the KI Sawyer demolition.

Work is being done with Eagle Mine to determine the suitability of accepting solid waste of the Eagle Mine materials at the Landfill. A pilot study is being conducted. There are 5-6 materials from Eagle Mine that are high in sodium and chloride.

MCSWMA lost quite a few employees over the past month due to other jobs and some delays in the pre-employment screening process. There is a labor shortage across the region.

The Landfill applied for a 1-million-dollar grant from the state for infrastructure. This would involve increasing the size of the tipping floor. There is a partner outside of EGLE that will work with the Authority on matching funds for the grant.

Contracts are being worked on for fiber. Plastic has been tough across the region not only for MCSMWA but all over. The Landfill expects to move plastic loads in July.

A HHW event will be held at the Marquette rubbish/compost site on July 13, 2023.

A scrap tire event will be held at the West End Transfer Station on July 19, 2023. There have been 2 scrap tire events held; one at Forsyth Township and the other was at Negaunee Township. Forsyth brought in 41.9 tons of scrap tire and Negaunee Township collected 40.2 tons of scrap tires.

The City of Ishpeming received a grant from the USDA for organics. The City of Ishpeming will utilize the organics collected to make topsoil and plant gardens. Organics make up 60% of the solid waste materials collected followed by 30% for recycling and 10% materials are thrown away.

A grant was awarded to the City of Ishpeming for recycling carts. The City of Ishpeming will utilize 64 gallon carts and plans to launch approximately 2,500 carts. This is the 7th municipality that launched curbside recycling carts in Marquette County.

J. Minelli asked B. Austin how the Landfill intends to handle the PFAS that is starting to show up in the run-offs. B. Austin said test results are sent to the State of Michigan and then MCSWMA waits for correspondence back from EGLE. EGLE will then direct and give MCSWMA guidance on how they would like the Authority to handle the run-off.

G. Adams made a motion to approve the Director's report. A. Manning supported. Motion approved unanimously.

- b. Attorney Report – B. Nordeen provided an oral report for the Board.
- c. Subcommittee Reports –The subcommittee feels the Union is moving in the right direction. Correspondence was given to R. Yelle to pass on to the Union. If the Union would like another meeting set, J. Minelli said he would be willing to meet with the Union again but would have to check with the other subcommittee members. The Landfill's employees' safety while dealing with PFAS was the Union's biggest concern.

A. Manning reported that the Landfill received 12 Resumes for the Director's position. The majority of the applicants did not meet the requirements that are

defined in the IGA for education and job experience. 3 people were selected and asked to provide additional information to MCSWMA, which included letters of recommendation(s) and education transcript(s), etc. Only 1 person submitted the requested documentation, so an interview has been set up for the individual with the subcommittee. If the interview with the subcommittee goes favorably, the individual will then interview with the whole Board and have a tour of the Landfill. J. Minelli asked when the individual is interviewed if the Union representative could attend the interview. A. Manning said yes it will be an open meeting. A. Manning asked if attorney Nordeen is working on guidelines for conducting the interview. B. Nordeen said he is working on a list of questions that can be asked and questions that cannot be asked in the interview. D. Campana asked if there was a cut-off date for receiving applicants' Resumes? R. Yelle said the cut-off date for submitting Resumes was set for June 14, 2023, but they have not received any new ones.

8. Public Comment – None.
9. Trustee Comments – R. Yelle said he has a meeting scheduled with Karen Kovac, City Manager for Marquette on June 28, 2023, to discuss the waste from the MGH demolition. R. Yelle indicated he will also be scheduling a meeting with Thyra Karlstrom from the County of Marquette sometime next week to discuss the County's waste management plan.

C. Baldwin stated he really appreciated all the effort A. Manning devoted to selecting candidates for the Director's job.

C. Baldwin asked if there was any state funding or support from the State for trying to use marijuana (hemp) to combat PFAS?. B. Austin said he does not know if there was any funding offered by the state but knows some of Dr. Putnam's colleagues did meet with the state.
10. Adjournment – R. Yelle adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Randall L. Yelle, Chairperson

Dennis Honch, Secretary

MARQUETTE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Board Meeting Minutes

Special Meeting

July 3, 2023

DATE: Monday, July 3, 2023

PLACE: Landfill Administration Complex
600 County Road NP
Marquette, MI 49855

MEMBERS PRESENT: In Person: Randall Yelle, Glenn Adams, C. Baldwin, Dennis Honch, Dave Campana, Joe Minelli, Amy Manning and Helen Amin (Alternate Board Member)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

EX OFFICIO: None

OTHERS: In Person: William T. Nordeen, Attorney for MCSWMA; Beth Bonanni, Recording Secretary; Jim Belpedio, Champion Township; Judy White, Chocolay Township and Debbie Nurmi

1. Call to Order: R. Yelle called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.
2. Approval of Agenda: D. Honch made a motion to approve the Agenda. G. Adams supported. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Business
 - a. Subcommittee Report – 2nd Interview for Director of Operations Position – A. Manning introduced Debbie Nurmi as the candidate for the Director of Operations position. A. Manning said that Ms. Nurmi has approximately 20 years of experience in landfill engineering. The subcommittee interviewed Ms. Nurmi last week and recommended a second interview with the full Board be conducted. Ms. Nurmi toured the facility with Josh Wales and had the opportunity to ask questions.
 - B. Nordeen indicated that Ms. Nurmi has the choice to keep her application confidential and she can request same. B. Nordeen explained that the reason to keep the application/information confidential is if someone submitted a FOIA request to the Landfill, that person could get access to Ms. Nurmi’s application and

information. Mr. Nordeen also indicated that the Board cannot go into closed session to discuss Ms. Nurmi's application unless Ms. Nurmi elects to keep her application and information confidential. Ms. Nurmi responded by requesting her information be confidential. J. Minelli asked if he was correct that a decision about Ms. Nurmi's employment status with MCSWMA cannot be made in closed session but only discussed. B. Nordeen said that J. Minelli was correct.

R. Yelle asked Ms. Nurmi if she would consent to a background check, and she said yes. A. Manning asked that Ms. Nurmi provide the Board with a verbal overview of her background and job history. Ms. Nurmi discussed her background, qualifications, education and job history. R. Yelle asked Ms. Nurmi a series of questions regarding if she had family/friends employed at MCSWMA, disciplining family/friends, grant writing, managing employees, and work experience that relates to the requirements of the Director's job. D. Campana asked questions about the dates she graduated college and how long she was employed at the jobs she held. C. Baldwin talked about grant applications and asked Ms. Nurmi how she felt about her ability to write grants. A. Manning asked Ms. Nurmi to discuss reports she had written in relation to her prior employment. J. Minelli asked how many employees Ms. Nurmi managed, if she ever had to discipline any of those employees, if she had any problems with EGLE assessing fines for the Landfills she was in charge of, and how she handled those issues. A. Manning asked her how she dealt with consulting firms if they overcharged on a project, etc. J. Minelli asked Ms. Nurmi about her thoughts on recycling.

4. Closed Session MCL 15-268(f) – At 11:36 a.m., A. Manning made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15-268(f) without Ms. Nurmi being present to discuss Ms. Nurmi's application. J. Minelli supported. Roll call conducted, 7 yeas.

Returned to open session at 12:00 p.m.

A. Manning made a motion to move forward with hiring Debbie Nurmi contingent upon Sands Township's concurrence on hiring Ms. Nurmi for the Director's job and agreement to an employment contract. J. Minelli supported. Motion carried unanimously.

A. Manning requested that a Special Board Meeting be held on July 12, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. to approve the employment contract with Debbie Nurmi.

5. Public Comment – Jim Belpedio thought the interview session went really well (a lot of good questions and good answers). He would have liked the legal issue about going into closed session to be hashed out prior to the interview so that a brief

overview of who the candidate was could have been provided instead of a cold opening. He did not know the candidate's name or anything about her so a little overview of her would have been nice.

6. Adjournment. R. Yelle adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

Randall L. Yelle, Chairperson

Dennis Honch, Secretary

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**MARQUETTE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TERM/ LENGTH</u>	<u>DATE APPTD.</u>	<u>DATE EXPIRES</u>
RANDALL YELLE CHAIRPERSON (H): 346-4423 (W): 249-9169 (C): 458-4349 (Sands Township)	255 YELLE ROAD GWINN, MI 49841 E-Mail: mcswmachairman@gmail.com	4 YEARS	7/1/23	7/1/27
CARR W. BALDWIN (C): 362-1154 (W): 485-1011 (Fax): 485-1013 (County)	1900 CINDY STREET ISHPEMING, MI 49849 E-Mail: cbaldwin@upea.com	3 YEARS	7/1/21	7/1/24
JOSEPH MINELLI VICE CHAIRPERSON (C): 869-3180 (County)	P.O. BOX 118 1101 EAST M-35 GWINN, MI 49841 E-Mail: jminelli@aol.com	3 YEARS	7/1/23	7/1/26
DENNIS HONCH SECRETARY (H): 225-5019 (C): 250-4543 (Marquette City)	1730 ALTAMONT STREET MARQUETTE, MI 49855	3 YEARS	7/1/23	7/1/26
DAVE CAMPANA (H): 226-3621 (C): 361-1711 (Authority)	1711 GRANDVIEW DRIVE MARQUETTE, MI 49855 E-mail: dcampana@charter.net	3 YEARS	4/21/21	7/1/24
GLENN ADAMS (H): 906-376-2431 (County)	1524 CHIEF LAKE ROAD REPUBLIC, MI 49879 E-mail: glennadams36@gmail.com	3 YEARS	7/1/22	7/1/25
AMY MANNING TREASURER (C): 869-4469 (Marquette City)	E-Mail: amylmanning@gmail.com	3 YEARS	7/1/22	7/1/25
HELEN AMIRI (C): 906-250-8523	376 SHOT POINT DRIVE MARQUETTE, MI 49855 E-mail: helenannamiri@gmail.com	AUTHORITY ALTERNATE		

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UPDATED: 7/1/2023



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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY
MARQUETTE DISTRICT OFFICE

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AARON B. KEATLEY
ACTING DIRECTOR

June 14, 2023

VIA EMAIL

Mike Stannard, Landfill Operations Supervisor
Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority
600 County Road NP
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Dear Mike Stannard:

SUBJECT: Return to Compliance; Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority; Marquette County; Waste Data System Number 451188

On May 16, 2023, the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Materials Management Division (MMD), staff sent a Compliance Communication to the Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority, a Type II Landfill (MCSWMA LF) located at 600 CR NP, Sands Township, Marquette County, Michigan. The MCSWMA LF staff provided photographs and a work plan to remove the contaminated soil and clean up the spill area.

On May 15, 2023, EGLE, MMD staff was informed by email that additional leachate went outside of the active landfill area after the initial release on May 12, 2023. On May 15, 2023, EGLE, MMD staff inspected the MCSWMA LF. The Compliance Communication was sent after EGLE, MMD was informed of leachate releases at the MCSWMA LF on May 12, 2023, and May 15, 2023. The leachate releases were evaluated for compliance with Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, and the Administrative Rules promulgated thereunder.

In the Compliance Communication, EGLE, MMD had requested the following information: Sample results for the samples taken in the leachate spill sampling plan, and a summary of the clean-up of the spill areas.

On June 5, 2023, EGLE, MMD received the soil sample results and summary of the clean-up of the spill areas. Soil Sample S2-1 showed a Perfluorooctanesulfonic Acid (PFOS) Sample result of 1.3 parts per billion (ppb), which exceeded the reportable quantity of 1 ppb. On June 13, 2023, EGLE, MMD advised the MCSWMA LF to remove additional soil from the S2-1 Sample location. Since there are no cleanup soil standards, the soils removal can be considered adequate. On June 14, 2023, EGLE, MMD received an email from the MCSWMA LF showing that an additional foot of soil was removed from the Sample S2-1 location. Therefore, the MCSWMA LF is returned to compliance.

EGLE looks forward to a continued joint effort to protect Michigan's natural resources. If you have questions, please contact me at the number below, or by email at StcyrC1@Michigan.gov.

Sincerely,



Carolyn St. Cyr, P.E.
Senior Environmental Engineer
Material Management Division
906-250-1448

cc: Brad Austin, MCSWMA
Phil Roycraft, EGLE
Jim Ferritto, EGLE
John Ozoga, III, EGLE

**MCSWMA
Recycling Financials
2023**

	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	TOTALS
Inbound Tons	778.95	729.26	753.50	713.29	710.49	609.89	4289.32
Outbound Tons	729.35	717.81	682.82	555.35	548.26	553.85	3787.44
Fiber Revenue	\$28,022.85	\$30,155.50	\$31,416.45	\$74,640.80	\$32,195.50	\$35,176.00	\$181,607.10
Out of County Recycling Fee	\$9,790.50	\$6,868.50	\$7,929.90	\$7,868.80	\$7,719.10	\$5,855.90	\$46,127.70
Metal cans/scrap	\$3,923.36	\$3,090.94	\$3,028.78	\$7,079.28	\$4,324.80	\$3,090.05	\$26,477.21
Aluminum	\$13,754.00	\$15,289.20	\$15,289.20	\$16,280.00		\$0.00	\$45,279.20
Plastic Revenue	\$15,970.00	\$30,607.80	\$5,891.20	\$39,602.30	\$12,524.00	\$1,500.00	\$106,035.30
Produced Waiting for Shipping						\$72,010.00	\$72,010.00
Total Revenue	\$74,460.71	\$70,822.74	\$65,489.53	\$95,421.18	\$56,768.40	\$117,572.95	\$477,590.51
Regular Wages	\$25,064.43	\$32,597.90	\$44,454.94	\$30,139.62	\$26,775.84	\$31,434.80	\$190,407.53
Overtime	\$6,374.26	\$9,721.01	\$13,476.66	\$12,671.93	\$10,270.15	\$10,662.49	\$63,176.50
Holiday Pay	\$7,295.04	\$0.00	\$2,099.52	\$2,189.36	\$0.00	\$2,099.12	\$13,569.04
PTO	\$3,114.57	\$1,747.78	\$4,201.99	\$3,276.76	\$3,288.54	\$2,962.77	\$18,582.41
SUB TOTAL LABOR	\$41,848.30	\$44,066.69	\$64,173.11	\$48,277.67	\$40,294.53	\$47,099.18	\$285,789.48
Health Insurance	\$8,704.49	\$6,892.32	\$6,498.56	\$5,878.92	<\$27.00	\$6,271.47	\$33,998.76
Power	\$6,086.02	\$6,448.62	\$6,348.28	\$7,183.94	\$5,876.49	\$5,956.21	\$37,849.40
Payroll Taxes	\$2,803.84	\$2,948.45	\$4,299.60	\$3,234.60	\$2,702.41	\$3,155.65	\$19,144.55
Contracted Services	\$3,750.00	\$6,750.00	\$3,750.00	\$3,750.00	\$3,750.00	\$3,750.00	\$22,500.00
Defined Contribution	\$2,569.71	\$2,569.71	\$3,764.21	\$2,886.66	\$2,420.07	\$2,825.95	\$17,046.31
Lubricating Supplies	\$803.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$803.94
Advertising	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$750.00	\$1,514.00	\$3,284.00
Depreciation	\$3,702.41	\$3,702.41	\$3,702.41	\$3,702.41	\$3,702.41	\$3,702.41	\$22,214.46
Mobile Equipment	\$3,108.00	\$2,870.00	\$3,108.00	\$2,965.00	\$2,350.00	\$2,350.00	\$16,751.00
Rent-Operating Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Operating Supplies	\$9,837.79	\$4,202.11	\$194.77	\$184.77	\$3,518.09	\$812.24	\$12,864.71
Transportation	\$15,451.28	\$12,585.04	\$15,205.84	\$13,087.68	\$10,678.40	\$17,311.86	\$66,590.10
Total Direct Expenses	\$51,267.48	\$43,968.66	\$47,121.67	\$45,153.88	\$35,695.76	\$47,748.79	\$272,957.23
GAIN/LOSS	(21,655.07)	(19,152.61)	(45,805.15)	1,889.63	(19,266.89)	22,729.98	(81,166.20)
Landfill Preservation Savings	380.52	272.86	315.44	283.95	338.84	351.61	1,968.22
Current Year In County SSR Tonnage	146.86	103.76	119.56	130.7	141.57	135.42	777.87
2019 In County Recycling Tonnage	233.66	169.1	195.88	153.25	197.27	216.19	1,165.35
Increase in Tons recycled	\$2,140.33	\$1,548.96	\$1,794.26	\$1,403.77	\$1,806.99	\$1,980.30	\$10,674.61



Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority
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Directors Report

No grievances filed since the last board meeting
No recordable injuries since the last board meeting

EGLE Grants/Compliance/Legislative.

- EGLE \$1M recycling infrastructure grant submitted
- Administrative Consent Order
- Call for updating of county solid waste plans tentatively September 2023

Leachate Management/New Wastewater Treatment Plant Construction

- CWSRF reinstatement request
- Alternative project funding

Landfill/Solid Waste

- Interim cover application
- Landfill cell 4 project
- Landfill cell 1-2 tie in project
- EGLE inspection July 20, 2023

Regional Recycling and Materials Management

- Commodity contract signed with SONOCO U.S. Papers- cardboard/mixed paper
- Commodity market update
- Capacity issues for out of county single stream recycling tonnages
- TV6 story Houghton County recycling

Misc.

- Upcoming HHW event: August 9, 2023 @ West End Transfer Station
- Upcoming Scrap tires event: August 10, 2023 @ Marquette Rubbish/Compost Site
- CUPPAD meeting July 21, 2023 @ 2:00 P.M.
- EGLE recycling division representatives onsite on July 26, 2023
- Grand Valley State University onsite MSW sort July 26 and 27, 2023
- Dickinson County / Michigan Tech glass road project September 2023

Bradley A. Austin
Director of Operations
July 19, 2023



**MICHIGAN ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

MICHIGAN BUSINESS REPORT

Michigan Among Top Ten States for Business



Michigan's economic development efforts are paying off as the state climbs the national competitiveness rankings with a top ten spot in CNBC's America's Top States for Business.

Keeping count: Michigan's #10 ranking was achieved through high marks for our cost of doing business (No. 6), technology and innovation (No. 12) and business friendliness (No. 15).

Why we care: We're prioritizing strong job growth, advanced manufacturing and a low cost of living and doing business with Make it in Michigan, and the world is noticing.

What's next: We're keeping the momentum going by adding two new programs to help entrepreneurs:

- The Michigan Innovate Capital Fund Program will award incentives to nonprofit organizations helping pre-seed and startup stage technologies find investments.
 - The Small Business Support Hub program will help entrepreneurial hubs expand resources for small businesses disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR THE GAS CUSTOMERS OF
SEMCO ENERGY GAS COMPANY
CASE NO. U-21328**

- SEMCO Energy Gas Company requests Michigan Public Service Commission’s approval of its 2024-2025 Energy Waste Reduction Plan.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write SEMCO Energy Gas Company, 1411 3rd St., Suite A, Port Huron, MI 48060, 800-624-2019 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the offices of SEMCO Energy Gas Company or on the Commission’s website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets.
- A pre-hearing will be held:

DATE/TIME: Thursday, August 17, 2023 at 9:30 AM

BEFORE: Administrative Law Judge Katherine Talbot

LOCATION: Video/Teleconferencing

PARTICIPATION: Any interested person may participate. Persons needing any assistance to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8096, or by email at mpscedockets@michigan.gov in advance of the hearing.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a pre-hearing to consider SEMCO Energy Gas Company’s (SEMCO) June 30, 2023 application requesting the Commission to: 1) approve SEMCO’s 2024-2025 Energy Waste Reduction (EWR) plan, as proposed, and determine that it meets all of PA 295’s requirements as well as those amended by PA 342; 2) approve the EWR plan surcharges as proposed by SEMCO including the energy savings target calculation; and proposed tariff sheets.; 3) approve the requested methodology used in calculating the EWR Financial Incentive Mechanism; and 4) grant SEMCO other and further relief as the Commission deems necessary.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission’s E-Dockets website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets. Requirements and instructions for filing can be found in the User Manual on the E-Dockets help page. Documents may also be submitted, in Word or PDF format, as an attachment to an email sent to: mpscedockets@michigan.gov. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 284-8090 or by email at: mpscedockets@michigan.gov.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a petition to intervene with this Commission by August 10, 2023. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon SEMCO Energy Gas Company's attorney, Richard J. Aaron, 201 Townsend St., Ste. 900, Lansing, MI 48933.

The prehearing is scheduled to be held remotely by video conference or teleconference. Persons filing a petition to intervene will be advised of the process to participate in the hearing.

Any person wishing to participate without intervention under Mich Admin Code, R 792.10413 (Rule 413), or file a public comment, may do so by filing a written statement in this docket. The written statement may be mailed or emailed and should reference Case No. U-21328. Statements may be emailed to: mpscedockets@michigan.gov. Statements may be mailed to: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, 7109 West Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter becomes public information, thus available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's website, and subject to disclosure. Please do not include information you wish to remain private. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 284-8090.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules R 792.10422 and R 792.10432. Requests for further information on adjournment should be directed to (517) 284-8130.

For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 284-8090.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 300, as amended, MCL 462.2 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.54 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; 2008 PA 295, as amended, MCL 460.1001 et seq., and Parts 1 & 4 of the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules, Mich. Admin Code, R 792.10106 and R 792.10401 through R 792.10448.

U-21328



MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

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TO: Marquette Township Board, Manager Kangas

FROM: Dan Shanahan, Fire Chief

DATE: July 18, 2023

SUBJECT: June 2023 Fire Department Report

Fire Fighter Training:

- June – Water Supply / Wildland Fire / Pumps
- July – Ropes / Wildland Rescue
- August - TBD

EMS:

- CEU's Online / Webinar

Emergency Response:

- June 2023 – 53 Calls for Service (CFS). June 2022 – 60 CFS
- Medical calls – 29; 54%
- Fire Response
 - Mutual Aid – 5 given, 1 received (4 EMS)
 - Motor Vehicle Accident with injuries – 2
 - Motor Vehicle Accident general cleanup - 2
 - Smoke / CO / System Alarms – 3
 - Unauthorized burning - 2
 - Structure Fire – 2 Mqt. Twp. / Chocolay Twp.
- Call Volume YTD – 264 / 2022-251

Membership:

- Membership – 29; 1 on leave
- Monthly Equipment and Truck Check outs
- Participated in the July 4 parade

Plan Reviews/Projects/Inspections:

- Kohl's
- Short Term Rental's - 2
- Storage Units
- Fire Works Tents – 2
- Country School Daycare

Meetings:

- MTFD Officers and Business
- UPPCO – Forestville Hydro Plant
- MTFD FT Staff meeting with Manager Kangas
- MDHHS – conference call
- Hosted Region 8 Homeland Security
- OSMCT – tablets in the apparatus

Reports:

- NFIRS uploaded and sent on 07/03/2023
- EMS reports to MI-EMIS daily (MI Emergency Medical Information)
- EMS-2023 Cost Data Collection required for Medicaid / Medicare (monthly)

Grants/Donations:

- MI Dept. of Treasury – (Bunker Gear) Applied
- DNR – Wildland PPE - Applied

Apparatus:

- Final engineering on the new fire truck will be in August

Miscellaneous:

- EMS-2023 Cost Data Collection required for Medicaid / Medicare (monthly)
- Annual Hose testing completed (12,000 feet)
- Fifty Students from North Star Academy visited the Fire Station
- FIT tested Negaunee Twp. FD



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Board Action Item

Board Meeting Date: July 19, 2023
Agenda Item #: 8.A.
Proposal: Consider a Resort Class C Economic Development Liquor License for Texas Roadhouse from the MLCC
Presented by: Clerk Ritari

Background:

In order to serve alcohol at its new Marquette Township location, Texas Roadhouse needs a Class C on-premise liquor license to allow for the sale of beer, wine, and spirits. Texas Roadhouse is filing an application with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission ("MLCC") to request one of 15 Resort Class C Economic Development licenses that can be issued annually by the MLCC. MLCC rules require that we obtain approval from the local government in order to file our application. Please accept this letter as a brief explanation of Texas Roadhouse's plans and a request for Marquette Township Board approval for a Resort Class C license. Please note that this Resort Class C license is not a "quota" license and is issued by the MLCC in addition to any quota. Texas Roadhouse is a national chain of casual steak restaurants with more than 580 locations in 49 states. It is famous for its hand-cut steaks, fall off the bone ribs, made from scratch sides, and fresh baked bread. A typical Texas Roadhouse restaurant averages 5,000 guests a week, which is one of the highest in the industry. Texas Roadhouse is based in Louisville, Kentucky, and the company's first restaurant was founded in nearby Clarksville, Indiana in 1993. Texas Roadhouse was founded upon providing fresh, quality food for a value which is why they make their food from scratch, even the bacon bits, croutons, and dressings.

Attachments: 1. Scan__20230705_165401

Cost: \$ N/A

Budget Account: N/A

Recommended motion:

Approve the MLCC Class C Economic Development Liquor License and authorize the Township Clerk to execute the Document.

Mission Statement:

"Recognize and meet the needs of the Township Community."



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July 5, 2023

Via E-Mail Only (rritari@marquettetownship.org)

Mr. Randy Ritari
Marquette Township Clerk
1000 Commerce Drive
Marquette, MI 49855

**Re: Texas Roadhouse Holdings LLC
Request for Local Approval**

Dear Mr. Ritari:

I am the attorney for Texas Roadhouse Holdings LLC, the operator of the Texas Roadhouse restaurant chain ("Texas Roadhouse"). Texas Roadhouse will soon be opening a new restaurant at 3440 US Hwy. 41 West, Marquette, Michigan 49855. Although it has a Marquette mailing address, Marquette Township is the "Local Governmental Unit" for liquor licensing purposes.

In order to serve alcohol at its new Marquette Township location, Texas Roadhouse needs a Class C on-premise liquor license to allow for the sale of beer, wine, and spirits. Texas Roadhouse is filing an application with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission ("MLCC") to request one of 15 Resort Class C Economic Development licenses that can be issued annually by the MLCC. MLCC rules require that we obtain approval from the local government in order to file our application. Please accept this letter as a brief explanation of Texas Roadhouse's plans and a request for Marquette Township Board approval for a Resort Class C license. Please note that this Resort Class C license is not a "quota" license and is issued by the MLCC in addition to any quota.

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Texas Roadhouse is a dinner-only concept during the week. Although the restaurant is open for lunch on the weekends, the dinner-only philosophy ensures their managers a better lifestyle and reduces costs. The Whitmore Lake Road location is on US Hwy. 41 West and will provide a welcome casual dining addition to residents, guests at the nearby hotels, and shoppers at the Walmart, Meijer and Target

The location will be renovated to the include standard Texas Roadhouse façade. A typical Texas Roadhouse restaurant is approximately 7500 square feet with a seating capacity of around 300. A typical Texas Roadhouse Restaurant will employ approximately 100 full and part-time employees.

Our plan for the Resort Class C license is to have beer, wine, and spirits available to our customers to enjoy with their meal. At Texas Roadhouse, alcohol is seen as an accompaniment to your meal. We are a restaurant that serves alcohol, not a bar that serves food. Texas Roadhouse is a successful, well-respected corporate citizen at locations across the country, including 16 locations in the State of Michigan. In addition to providing jobs and tax revenue to the communities where it's located, Texas Roadhouse provides a great meal at a great price in a family friendly atmosphere.

Texas Roadhouse Holdings LLC respectfully requests that following a review of this letter, that the matter be placed on the July 19 Board of Trustees meeting agenda and for a vote. We are hopeful that the vote will be in favor of supporting a Resort Class C license to Texas Roadhouse Holdings LLC for use at 3440 US Hwy. 41 West, Marquette, Michigan 49855. Attached for use by the Board of Trustees is the MLCC Local Governmental Approval Form (LCC-106) that would need to be completed and signed following a Board's vote on the license approval.

Texas Roadhouse is happy to answer any questions and provide any additional documentation that you or the Board of Trustees may have.

Thank you for your assistance. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Carlin Edwards Brown PLLC



Steven J. Grobbel

Direct Dial: (248) 816-5000 (ext. 2)

E-Mail: sgrobbel@cebhlaw.com

Enc.



Local Government Approval
(Authorized by MCL 436.1501)

Instructions for Applicants:

- You must obtain a recommendation from the local legislative body for a new on-premises license application, certain types of license classification transfers, and/or a new banquet facility permit.

Instructions for Local Legislative Body:

- Complete this resolution or provide a resolution, along with certification from the clerk or adopted minutes from the meeting at which this request was considered.

At a _____ meeting of the _____ Marquette Township _____ council/board
(regular or special) (township, city, village)
called to order by _____ on _____ at _____
(date) (time)
the following resolution was offered:

Moved by _____ and supported by _____
that the application from Texas Roadhouse Holdings LLC

(name of applicant - if a corporation or limited liability company, please state the company name)
for the following license(s): New Resort Class C license issued under the provisions of MCL 436.1531(4)
(list specific licenses requested)

to be located at: 3440 US Highway 41 West, Marquette, Michigan 49855

and the following permit, if applied for:

Banquet Facility Permit Address of Banquet Facility: _____

It is the consensus of this body that it _____ this application be considered for
(recommends/does not recommend)
approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

If disapproved, the reasons for disapproval are _____

Vote

Yeas: _____
Nays: _____
Absent: _____

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and is a complete copy of the resolution offered and adopted by the _____
council/board at a _____ meeting held on _____ (township, city, village)
(regular or special) (date)

Print Name of Clerk Signature of Clerk Date

Under Article IV, Section 40, of the Constitution of Michigan (1963), the Commission shall exercise complete control of the alcoholic beverage traffic within this state, including the retail sales thereof, subject to statutory limitations. Further, the Commission shall have the sole right, power, and duty to control the alcoholic beverage traffic and traffic in other alcoholic liquor within this state, including the licensure of businesses and individuals.

Please return this completed form along with any corresponding documents to:
Michigan Liquor Control Commission
Mailing address: P.O. Box 30005, Lansing, MI 48909
Hand deliveries or overnight packages: Constitution Hall - 525 W. Allegan, Lansing, MI 48933
Fax to: 517-763-0059

Option Agreement

This Option Agreement (“Option”) is granted as of June _____, 2023 (“Effective Date”) by the Charter Township of Marquette, having an address of 1000 Commerce Drive, Marquette, Michigan 49855, (“Optionor” or “Seller”), to Renovare Development, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company or its assignee (“Optionee”), having an address of 13 N Washington Street, Ypsilanti MI 48197.

RECITALS

- A. Optionor is the owner of real property in Marquette County commonly known as 170 CO Road 492 in Marquette, Michigan, more particularly described in Exhibit A (collectively, the “Property”); and
- B. Optionee desires to acquire the exclusive right and option to purchase the Property without becoming obligated to purchase the Property until the Optionee can assess the financial feasibility of the proposed Project on the site.
- C. Optionee proposes to develop the Property as a walkable missing-middle housing project with a percentage of the units set aside as workforce housing (families between 80% and 120% of Area Median Income, as set by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development) (the “Project”)

The parties to this Option therefore agree that:

- 1. **Grant of Option.** For the consideration of \$1 and other good and valuable consideration, the Optionor grants to the Optionee the exclusive right and option to purchase the Property at the Purchase Price (as defined in Section 4) and under the terms substantially as set forth herein (Such right, the “Option”).
- 2. **Due Diligence Period.** The initial option period shall commence as of the Effective Date and continue for twelve (12) months (“Initial Option Period”).
- 3. **Expiration of Option.** This Option shall expire twelve months from the Effective Date, unless extended pursuant to Paragraph 6. Time is of the essence.
- 4. **Purchase Price.** The purchase price shall be \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) (“Purchase Price”), contingent on final appraisal of the land supporting such Purchase Price, and adjustment to meet program funding requirements such as Missing Middle. If the final appraisal or the Purchase Price limits of program funding requirements is less than the Purchase Price, the Optionor or Optionee shall have the right to cancel this Option. The initial appraisal shall be conducted at Optionee’s expense within six months of the Effective Date. The Purchase Price includes all Property described in Exhibit A.
- 5. **Purchase Agreement.** Optionee agrees to provide a draft Purchase Agreement within six months of the Effective Date. The Purchase Agreement will include as an exhibit a

draft Development Agreement outlining development terms. Optionor agrees to negotiate in good faith to reach an agreed upon form of Purchase Agreement and Development Agreement within 60 days of receipt of the draft Purchase Agreement.

6. **Extension of Option.** Optionor and Optionee may agree to extend this Option for any reason for an additional six (6) months (the "First Extension Option Period"), for a nonrefundable deposit of \$5,000, subject to any failure to perform by Optionor. All deposits shall be credited against the Purchase Price, but shall remain non-refundable regardless of whether Optionee purchases the property.
7. **Assignability of Option.** Optionee shall have the right and authority to assign this Option and all of its interest hereunder upon Optionor's written consent, provided any assignee agrees to abide by all the terms in the Option and no agreed upon dates will be affected by said Assignment. Optionee agrees to provide a written request for any such Assignment to Optionor along with a copy of the proposed Assignment
8. **Notices.** All notices required or sent hereunder shall be in writing and delivered electronically via facsimile or email, or in person, or by messenger or other express delivery service, or by U.S. Mail to the address of the other party as set forth herein, or to such other address as the parties may from time to time designate in writing.
9. **Rights and Duties During Option Period.** During the Option Period and any extension(s) thereof, Optionee may enter the Property for the purposes of conducting engineering or other tests as required by Optionee. Optionor, as the municipal owner of the property, will review any site plan, development plan, or proposal to determine consistency with Optionor's Master Plan, Zoning Ordinance, other regulatory ordinances, and to determine whether any such proposal is, in the sole discretion of Optionor, in the best interests of Marquette Township residents, property owners and constituents. Further, Optionor agrees to cooperate with Optionee in obtaining any site plan or other municipal, county, or state approvals as may be required by Optionee in the course of preparing to exercise this Option or to use the Property. Optionor may, but need not, cooperate in obtaining any variances calling for a change of use from those provided for by the current municipal zoning ordinances. Optionee shall provide reasonable notice prior to inspection. Optionee shall be responsible for any cost associated with testing, engineering or inspections including the cost to repair any damage caused by such.
10. **Entire Option.** This Option contains the entire Option between the parties relating to the Option granted by this instrument. Any oral representations or modifications concerning this Option shall be of no force and effect, excepting a subsequent modification in writing, signed by the party to be charged and supported by consideration.
11. **Attorney's Fees.** In the event of any controversy, claim, or dispute between the parties to this Option, arising out of or relating to this Option or any breach of it, each party shall be responsible for the legal fees associated with its own representation.

- 12. **Binding Effect.** This Option shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, and to their respective heirs or successors and assigns.
- 13. **Governing Law and Choice of Jurisdiction.** This Option shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan. Venue shall lie in the courts of Marquette County, Michigan.
- 14. **Sale of Property.** In consideration of this Option, Seller agrees not to enter into any other binding agreement for the sale or control of the property until this Option is exercised or terminated in accordance with this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Option as of the Effective Date.

Charter Township of Marquette (Optionor)

By: _____
 Name: Lyn J. Durant
 Its: Supervisor

By: _____
 Name: Randy J. Ritari
 Its: Clerk

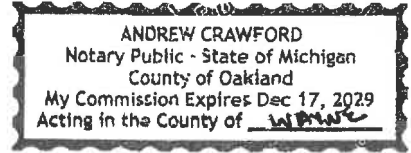
STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
 COUNTY OF MARQUETTE)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of June, 2023, by Lyn J. Durant and Randy J. Ritari, Supervisor and Clerk, respectively, of Charter Township of Marquette.

 Notary Public
 Marquette County, Michigan
 My commission expires: _____
 Acting in Marquette County, Michigan

Renovare Development, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company (Optionee)

By: _____
Name: Jill Ferrari
Its: Managing Partner



STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF OAKLAND)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of June, 2023, by Jill Ferrari
Managing Partner of /Renovare Development, LLC.

Andrew Crawford

ANDREW CRAWFORD Notary Public
OAKLAND County, MI
My commission expires: 12/17/2029
Acting in WAYNE County, MI

Prepared by:

Renovare Development, LLC
13 N Washington Street
Ypsilanti MI 48197

EXHIBIT A

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(PARCEL B)





MARQUETTE CHARTER TWP.

MARQUETTE COUNTY

SHERIFF





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Board Action Item

Board Meeting Date: July 19, 2023
Agenda Item #: 8.D.
Proposal: Consider Financial Commitment to DDA
TAP Grant
Presented by: Manager/Supervisor

Background:

Last October, the Township Board agreed to fund the local match for a TAP Grant with MCRC as the sponsoring Act 51 road agency. The current opinion of probable cost for the project puts the 30% match at \$213,582. The DDA anticipates adequate revenue to fund a majority of the local match, but feels support from the Township Board will be necessary to fully fund the match.

At a regular meeting of the DDA on July 11, 2023, they passed a motion to proceed with their portion of the funding, but is requesting support from the Township in the amount of \$25,000.

The DDA currently has approximately \$100,000 in reserves (earmarked for this project) and anticipates approximately \$100,000 in new reserves if the Board supports their recommended 1 mil for two years (2024 and 2025.) The new revenue will be captured with this year's December tax bill. The DDA hopes to maintain a sufficient fund balance to cover any incidental expenses that may occur during this time period.

The project is non-motorized pathways on Commerce Drive from US 41 to Werner Street and on Old Wright Street from US 41 to Venture Drive.

Attachments:

1. GrantSummaryReport
2. FW_ TA 2023001 - Marquette CRC - TAP Conditional Commitment
3. 2023 TAP Township Agreement Final

Cost: \$ 25,000

Budget Account: CIP

Recommended motion:

Approve the \$25,000 funding request from the DDA for the TAP Grant match.

Mission Statement:

"Recognize and meet the needs of the Township Community."



Grant Type: Transportation Alternatives Program

Grant Number: 2023001

Section	Applicant	Description (rpt)	Current Grant Amount	Total Match	Total Amount	Grant %	Status	Grant Year
01	Marquette County Road Commission	Marquette Township US-41 Pathway Connector Project	\$498,375.00	\$213,582.00	\$711,957.00	70.00%	Proposed	2024
Total:			\$498,375.00	\$213,582.00	\$711,957.00	70.00%		

Section Grant Section Description

01 FY 2024 TAP CONDITIONAL COMMITMENT (lr, 6/26/2023)

Marquette County, on behalf of Marquette Township, will extend the Marquette Township non-motorized system by a total of 0.5 miles. The scope of work includes approximately 2,500 feet of non-motorized pathway along Wright Street from US-41 to Venture Drive and approximately 600 feet of non-motorized pathway along Commerce Drive from US-41 to Werner Street.

This project fills gaps in the Marquette Township non-motorized trail system. This project will connect SRTS infrastructure constructed in 2016 to the TAP-funded pathways and tunnel connecting to the Iron Ore Heritage Trail, which was constructed in 2020. These improvements will allow for safe non-motorized transportation options in a high-traffic commercial area. Marquette Township plans to expand their non-motorized trail north to the Noquemanon Trails in the future.

The total project cost is \$711,957 with \$498,375 in TAP funds being requested, \$213,582 in matching funds from the Marquette DDA.

Job Phase Summary

Section	Job/Phase	Est Grant Amount	Auth Grant Amount	CTD Grant Amount	Route	Work Description	Location Description	Financial Stage/Status	FinSys
01	219206(A)	\$498,375.00			County Road 492	Non-motorized pathway construction	Wright Street and Commerce Drive, Marquette Townsh	New / Requesting	TAUL
Total:		\$498,375.00							

Nonmotorized Funding Condition

This project must be designed and constructed in accordance with the standards in the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities, 2012 edition. The standards for off-road trails include a minimum 10-foot width with a minimum of 2-foot clear zone on each side. The standards for bridges or boardwalks include a minimum 14-foot width between rub rails. In addition, bridges and boardwalks shall meet a minimum design load of 90 psf and H-10 (not acting concurrently). For roadways with no curb and gutter, the standards for on-road paved shoulders include a minimum 4-foot width facility on each side of the road. If parking is permitted, the standards for bike lanes include a minimum width of 5 feet. The project must also be designed and constructed in accordance with the current edition of the Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD). For traffic control devices not in the most current MMUTCD, implementation must be in accordance with relevant Federal Highway Administration interim approvals.

NEPA Condition

This project shall adhere to the regulations set forth under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended. (Pub. L. 91-190, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, January 1, 1970, as amended by Pub. L. 94-52, July 3, 1975, Pub. L. 94-83, August 9, 1975, and Pub. L. 97-258, 4(b), Sept. 13, 1982). This project is required to analyze and report on certain environmental, economic, and social conditions which may be impacted as part of the project undertaking. A complete and approved Local Agency Environmental Clearance Form (MDOT Form 5323) must be on file with the Michigan Department of Transportation Local Agency Programs unit prior to requesting obligation of funds. The form can be found on the MDOT Forms Repository webpage: mdotjboss.state.mi.us/webforms/

Funding Condition

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding is conditional upon the items mentioned in the correspondence from the MDOT Office of Economic Development conveying the Conditional Commitment, supporting documentation, as well as fund availability. Federal transportation funding could be subject to Congressional approval of a rescission- reducing or eliminating the remaining unobligated funds. The amount of TAP funding that Congress has authorized for expenditure is provided on a first come, first served basis to the projects that have completed the steps necessary to request federal fund authorization (obligation) from the Federal Highway Administration. These steps typically include submitting completed plans, a cost estimate, and project related specifications, as well as obtaining all necessary permits, property and access rights, environmental certifications and clearances, an executed MDOT-local agency contract, and all matching funds and/or non-participating funds, as may be required or applicable.

Quarterly Progress Report Condition-MDOT Form 3197

As the grantee responsible for implementing this project, it is your responsibility to show that your project is making adequate progress towards federal obligation in the approved fiscal year. To show continued progress, you must submit a Quarterly Progress Report in the MDOT Grant System (MGS) on or before the first business day of the months of January, April, July, and October. Use MDOT Form 3197, found on the MDOT Forms Repository webpage: mdotjboss.state.mi.us/webforms/ Submission of this report is required from the time a Conditional Commitment/Award is issued until the grantee reports that they have provided approval on an accurate bid letting package to MDOT's Local Agency Program. Failure to submit this form by the due dates listed could result in the rescission of the grant. Submission of forms that show lack of detail or progress toward federal obligation may also lead to rescission.

Important Note on TAP Funding for Local Agencies

Federal TAP funds shall be applied to the eligible items of the total participating project cost up to the lesser of: (1) the TAP grant amount, or (2) an amount such that either 80 percent or 81.85 percent, the maximum federal participation ratio for such funds, is not exceeded at the time of the award of the construction contract. The balance of the participating project cost, after deduction of TAP funds, shall be the responsibility of the grantee. All non-participating costs shall be the responsibility of the grantee. In addition to the limits mentioned above, TAP funds are capped at the applicable low bid amount and shall not be applied to any extra construction costs or construction over-runs; these costs shall be the responsibility of the grantee.

Implementation Requirement

This project must be let through the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Letting Process.

From: [Jason McCarthy](#)
To: [Jon Kangas](#)
Cc: [Erik Powers](#)
Subject: FW: TA 2023001 - Marquette CRC - TAP Conditional Commitment
Date: Monday, June 26, 2023 2:03:01 PM
Attachments: [GrantSummaryReport.pdf](#)
[TAP-SRTSInfrastructureProjectDevelopmentGuide-1524242973596.pdf](#)
[TAP Project Quarterly Status Report-1681239409449.pdf](#)

FYI!

From: RossL7@michigan.gov <RossL7@michigan.gov>
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2023 1:53 PM
To: aelsenheimer@marqroad.org; pduex@marqroad.org; commissioner2@marqroad.org; Jason McCarthy <jasonmccarthy@marquettetownship.org>
Cc: smithm13@michigan.gov; armstrongb@michigan.gov; piercej3@michigan.gov; Burrish1@michigan.gov; ThomasJ5@michigan.gov; YostC1@michigan.gov; HamiltonK9@michigan.gov; RossL7@michigan.gov; csynk@michiganfitness.org; ajenks@michiganfitness.org; mfulkerson@michiganfitness.org; kadzbanb@michigan.gov; johnsonl26@michigan.gov; uribem1@michigan.gov; NelsonM21@michigan.gov; fowlere@michigan.gov; MaloneyM@michigan.gov; TERVOR@Michigan.Gov; BevinsV@michigan.gov
Subject: TA 2023001 - Marquette CRC - TAP Conditional Commitment

This e-mail conveys the Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT's) Conditional Commitment (CC) to your Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) project. Details of MDOT's CC can be found in the attached Grant Summary.

Next Steps

Now that the initial application review process has been completed, you are ready to file a project programming application with MDOT's Local Agency Programs (LAP) staff and develop the documentation necessary for project implementation. For details and next steps in the project development process, please see the attached Pre-Implementation Project Development Guide. This guide outlines the steps necessary to satisfy the conditions of this CC. The first step is to review the project schedule in the MDOT Grant System (MGS) at <https://milogintp.michigan.gov> and making updates, if necessary, within 30 business days.

Information and forms associated with the implementation process can be obtained by accessing LAP's webpage at www.michigan.gov/mdotlap. Questions on implementing TAP projects should be directed to Bruce Kadzban, P.E., Engineer/Manager, at (517) 335-2229.

Once conditions are satisfied, submit an official resolution from the local governmental agency to the Office of Economic Development. Upon receipt of the resolution, evidence of compliance with all conditions and contingent upon TAP funding being available at the time, MDOT will determine and issue a federal funding award for this project.

Important Factors

It is very important to remember these factors related to this CC:

1. Please be advised that this CC is issued with the expectation that you will obligate funds

within the fiscal year identified as grant year in the attached Grant Summary. Failure to meet that schedule will result in withdrawal of the CC.

2. Please note that this CC is NOT a funding award. No costs incurred in satisfying the conditions set forth above are eligible for reimbursement of TAP funds. No costs of ANY kind are reimbursable prior to MDOT's award of funding, execution of a project agreement, and subsequent written authorization to proceed with project work.

3. Public announcement of a project prior to funding award will jeopardize your project receiving TAP funds.

We look forward to your successful completion of this project. If you have questions, please contact the Office of Economic Development at (517) 335-1069.

Project Agreement

This agreement made the 4TH day of October, 2022 between MARQUETTE CHARTER TOWNSHIP (“Township”) and the Marquette County Road Commission (“Road Commission”).

The Michigan Department of Transportation (“MDOT”) makes Transportation Alternatives (TAP) Grants available to Act 51 Agencies. The Road Commission is an Act 51 agency. The Township is not.

The Road Commission has agreed to **sponsor the** TAP Grant for the **Pathway Connection** in the Township, contingent on the Township’s acceptance of the terms and conditions of this Project Agreement.

Now, therefore, the Road Commission and the Township agree as follows:

1. The Road Commission will **sponsor the** TAP Grant for the following described work:

Extend non-motorized pathways along Wright Street from US-41 to Venture Drive and along Commerce Drive from US-41 to Werner Street.

2. If the Grant is secured, it will be necessary for all aspects of the work to be completed in accordance with Federal and MDOT rules and regulations, or the Road Commission, as the Act 51 Agency, might be liable for financial or other penalties.

3. The Township will retain an engineering firm to assure compliance with all Federal and MDOT rules regarding the grant. The selected engineering firm cannot be in ligation with the Road Commission.

4. Therefore, the Township agrees that it will reimburse the Road Commission, as the Act 51 Agency sponsoring the TAP Grant for the Township, regarding any claims arising out of or relating to rules applicable to the TAP Grant program from the Federal Government, any agency of the Federal Government, or MDOT in relation to the project described in Paragraph 1, above.

Marquette Charter Township
Randy J. Ritari _____
Clerk

Marquette County Road Commission
by _____
Its _____



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Board Action Item

Board Meeting Date: July 19, 2023
Agenda Item #: 8.E.
Proposal: Approve the Sewer Easement on UPHS Marquette Property
Presented by: Jon Kangas, Township Manager

Background:

The Township's sanitary sewer interceptor crosses former City of Marquette DPW property, now UPHS Marquette. Prior to the hospital acquiring the property, the Township did not have a formal easement. This easement has taken years longer than necessary, but is required.

Attachments: 1. DLP_Twp_Easement

Cost: \$ NA

Budget Account: Waste Water

Recommended motion:

Approve the easement as presented and authorize the Township Clerk to sign on behalf of the Township.

Mission Statement:

"Recognize and meet the needs of the Township Community."



SANITARY SEWER MAIN EASEMENT

THIS SANITARY SEWER MAIN EASEMENT (“Easement”) is made as of _____, 2023 by and among DLP MARQUETTE GENERAL HOSPITAL, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, whose address is c/o LifePoint Health, Inc., 330 Seven Springs Way, Brentwood, Tennessee 37027 and the CITY OF MARQUETTE, a Michigan municipal corporation, whose address is 300 West Baraga Avenue, Marquette, MI 49855 (collectively “Grantor”) and MARQUETTE CHARTER TOWNSHIP, of 1000 Commerce Drive, Marquette, Michigan 49855 (“Grantee”).

WHEREAS, Grantor desires to establish and create a 20’ wide sanitary sewer main easement (“Sanitary Sewer Main Easement”) which shall benefit the Grantee and shall burden the portions of the Grantor’s Property depicted and legally described on the attached Exhibit A (“Easement Area”);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the terms and conditions described herein, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Non-Exclusive Easement. Grantor does hereby grant to Grantee and Grantee’s successors and assigns, and their respective tenants, agents, employees, contractors, guests, invitees, licensees, others with legitimate purposes, and persons claiming by or through them, including the public, a perpetual, non-exclusive easement for the installation, construction, repair, replacement and/or maintenance of a sanitary sewer main on, over, across, through and under the Easement Area, in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof. The easement granted herein is not exclusive, and Grantor reserves the right to use the Easement Area for its own purposes and that of its employees, agents, tenants, invitees, licenses, guests, successors and assigns, provided that such use shall not unreasonably interfere with Grantee’s rights granted herein.

2. Interference and Obstruction. Grantor shall not prohibit, restrict, limit, block, close or otherwise materially interfere with the Easement Area, or Grantee’s use thereof. Grantee shall not prohibit, restrict, limit, block, close, or otherwise materially interfere with the Easement Area or Grantor’s use thereof. Grantor and Grantee agree not to construct or place any permanent buildings or structures, fences, earthen berms or embankments, or improvements other than a sanitary sewer main in, over, under or across the Easement Area. Grantor shall have the right to grant additional easements to third parties in the Easement Area for purposes of installation, maintenance, and operation of utility facilities and utility infrastructure on, over, across, and through all or any portion of the Easement Area, provided that the same does not materially interfere with the rights granted herein.

3. Maintenance; Damage. Grantee shall, at Grantee's sole cost and expense, be solely and exclusively responsible for keeping the sanitary sewer main and related improvements located within the Easement Area in good order, condition, and repair and shall perform, or cause to be performed, all maintenance, repair, snow removal, resurfacing and replacement of such sanitary sewer main and/or improvements. Any damage to the Easement Area or Grantor's immediately adjacent real property caused by Grantee or its employees, agents, guests, invitees or customers shall be promptly repaired by Grantee at Grantee's sole expense.

4. Quiet Use and Enjoyment. Grantee shall have the quiet use and enjoyment of the Easement Area in accordance with the terms hereof without any suit, trouble or interference of any kind by Grantor or any other person or entity, and Grantor shall protect and defend the right, title and interest of Grantee hereunder from any other rights, interests, title and claims.

5. Amendment. This Agreement may be amended, modified or terminated (in whole or in part) only by written amendment approved by both Grantor and Grantee, and recorded at the Marquette County Register of Deeds.

6. No Representation or Warranty as to Condition. The Easement Area has been provided to Grantee for use as a utility easement "AS IS" in its present condition, and Grantor makes no further, warranty of representation as to the Easement Area.

7. Miscellaneous Provisions:

A. Binding Effect. This Agreement, and the rights and responsibilities set forth herein, are intended to be and shall be construed as covenants running with the land and shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Grantor, Grantee, and their respective successors and assigns.

B. Notices. All notices, demands and requests given or required to be given pursuant hereto shall be in writing. All such notices, demands and requests shall be deemed to have been properly given if served in person, by messenger or courier service, or sent by express delivery (including delivery by companies providing so-called "overnight delivery") or United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt required, addressed to the recipient, or to such other address as such party may hereafter designate by written notice to the other parties hereto. Any notice given in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph shall be deemed to be received and effective on the date of delivery if personally delivered, three days after the date mailed, if mailed, or one day after the date delivered to the overnight mail courier if sent by express delivery.

C. Severability. The invalidity or enforceability of any part or provision hereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other part or provision.

D. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Michigan.

E. Non-Waiver. No waiver of any of the provisions hereof shall be effective unless it is in writing, signed by the party against whom it is asserted, and any such written

waiver shall only be applicable to the specific instance which it relates and shall not be deemed to be a continuing and permanent waiver, unless specifically so stated.

F. Cumulative Rights and Remedies. The rights and remedies given to any of the parties are cumulative and the exercise of any one of such rights or remedies shall not operate to bar the exercise of any other rights or remedies available to such party under the provisions of this Agreement or at law or in equity.

G. Exempt from Transfer Taxes. This Agreement is exempt from transfer taxes pursuant to MCL 207.505(a) and 207.526(a).

The undersigned have executed this SANITARY SEWER MAIN EASEMENT, as of the day and year first above written.

GRANTOR:
DLP MARQUETTE GENERAL HOSPITAL, LLC

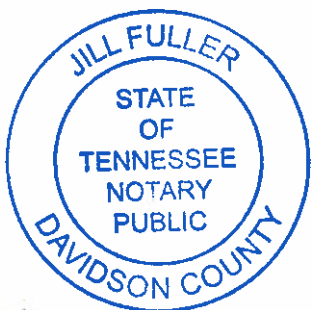
By: [Signature]
Its: Interim President

STATE OF Tennessee)

COUNTY OF Davidson)

Acknowledged before me in Davidson County Michigan, on this 5 day of June, 2023, by Emer Polite, Interim President of DLP MARQUETTE GENERAL HOSPITAL, LLC, on behalf of the company.

[Signature]
Jill Fuller
Notary Public, Davidson County, Tennessee
My commission expires: 7/7/25



GRANTOR:
CITY OF MARQUETTE

By: _____
Cody O. Mayer, Mayor

By: _____
Kyle Whitney, Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)
COUNTY OF MARQUETTE)

Acknowledged before me in _____ County, Michigan, on this ___ day of _____, 2023, by Cody O. Mayer, Mayor and Kyle Whitney, Clerk of the City of Marquette, a Michigan municipal corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

Notary Public, _____ County, Michigan
My commission expires: _____

Approved as to Substance:

Karen M. Kovacs, City Manager

GRANTEE:
MARQUETTE CHARTER TOWNSHIP

By: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)
COUNTY OF MARQUETTE)

Acknowledged before me in _____ County, Michigan, on this ___ day of _____, 2023, by _____ of Marquette Charter Township, on behalf of the township.

Notary Public, _____ County, Michigan
My commission expires: _____

Drafted by: Suzanne C. Larsen (P57017)
City Attorney, City of Marquette
300 W. Baraga Avenue
Marquette, Michigan 49855
(906) 225-8563

**EXHIBIT A
LEGAL DESCRIPTION
FOR A 20 FOOT WIDE SANITARY SEWER MAIN EASEMENT
FROM DLP MGH, LLC AND THE CITY OF MARQUETTE
TO THE TOWNSHIP OF MARQUETTE**

Part of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of Section Twenty-Two (22), Township Forty Eight North Range Twenty Five West (T48N-R25W), City of Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, being more particularly described as:

Commencing at the Quarter corner common to Sections 22 and 23; thence N00°52'22"E along the section line and westerly plat line of Harlow's Addition Number 5 a distance of 271.91 feet; thence N89°07'38"W perpendicular to said section and westerly lines 1230.73 feet to the northerly Right of Way (R.O.W.) of US-41 and the easement Point of Beginning;

Thence westerly along said northerly R.O.W. and a curve to the left 113.45 feet, said curve having a radius of 2009.86 feet and a delta of 03°14'03", the chord of which bears N73°26'36"W a distance of 113.44 feet; thence N63°17'19"W 70.80 feet; thence N04°50'45"W 32.82 feet; thence N80°00'10"W 74.25 feet; thence N13°16'04"E 89.35 feet; thence N79°09'53"W 244.24 feet; thence N75°11'40"W 95.07 feet to the easterly plat line of Marquette Industrial Park and westerly property line of a parcel as recorded in Document 2019R-07894; thence N00°29'04"E along said westerly property line 20.64 feet; thence S75°11'40"E 99.48 feet; thence S79°09'53"E 264.41 feet; thence S13°16'04"W 89.04 feet; thence S80°00'10"E 68.46 feet; thence S04°50'45"E 37.02 feet; thence S63°17'19"E 171.27 feet to the Point of Beginning.

The above described parcel contains 0.31 acre, more or less, and is shown on the Easement Sketch attached hereto, and is hereby made part of this document, and is subject to all mineral rights, mineral reservations, mineral exceptions, easements and building and use restrictions of record, and all other conditions, reservations, exceptions and restrictions as may be contained in any conveyance constituting the recorded chain of title to said premises, and further subject to all applicable zoning laws, ordinances and visible easements, if any.

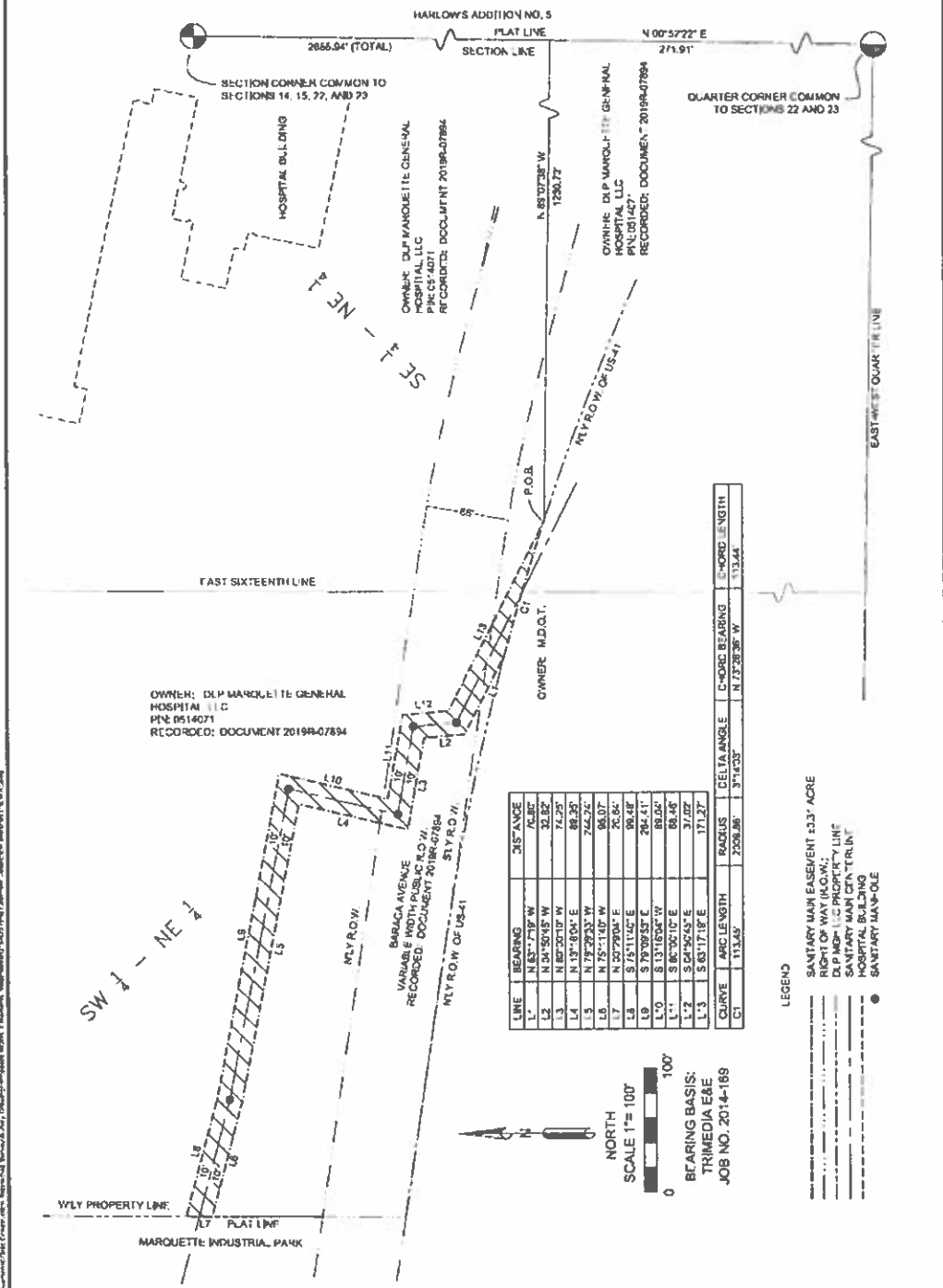
Prepared by: S. Holmquist
Date: September 4, 2019
Prepared for: City of Marquette
City of Marquette Engineering Department Job No: MQ15-020
PIN: 0514071

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EASEMENT SKETCH

EXHIBIT A

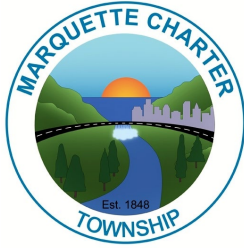
A 20' WIDE MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT ACROSS PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 22, T48N-R25W, CITY OF MARQUETTE, MARQUETTE COUNTY, MICHIGAN



PREPARED BY:
 CITY OF MARQUETTE
 ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
 1100 WRIGHT STREET
 MARQUETTE, MI 49855
 S. HOLMQUIST
 SEPTEMBER 4, 2019
 SHEET 1 OF 1
 JOB NO. MQ15-020

NOTES:
 1. THIS SKETCH DOES NOT REPRESENT, AND IS NOT INTENDED TO REPRESENT, A LAND SURVEY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 132, MICHIGAN P.A. 1970, AS AMENDED, THIS SKETCH AND/OR DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED AT THE REQUEST OF, AND FOR THE SOLE USE BY THE CITY OF MARQUETTE.
 2. ALL BEARINGS AND DISTANCES ARE CALCULATED FROM TRIMEDIA E&E JOB NO. 2014-169, LITTLEJOHN LEA NO. 20130197 PLAN FOR THE MARQUETTE REPLACEMENT HOSPITAL, AND CITY OF MARQUETTE PROPOSED BARAGA AVENUE REALIGNMENT.
 3. SEE CORRECTIVE DEED RECORDED IN DOCUMENT 2019R-07894.

PIN: 05-4071



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To: Township Board
From: Jon Kangas, Manager
Date: July 14, 2023
Regarding: Manager Report for July 19, 2023

It has been a few meetings since you have received a written report from me, but a majority of the activities I have been working on have resulted in action items on your most recent agendas.

Since we last met, I was able to take a short vacation to travel with my son to Pennsylvania to race his mountain bike in the US Nationals. It was quite the experience and I expect we will be going back again next year!

As you have likely seen (I think I also mentioned it at the last meeting), the new MCSO patrol vehicle for the Township has arrived and is currently parked at Township Hall. We have more parking space available than they do, so we are “storing” it for them while the additional equipment is delivered. You will also have a couple of decal options to consider at your meeting next Wednesday. I want to mention that neither truly achieves the intended impact of something “subdued” that also maintains the unique “orange” look of the Township’s vehicle, but these are the options we have been provided for consideration.

Also, since the last meeting and before my vacation (July 3rd, I believe), we had a single motor vehicle accident on CR 492, immediately north of our dreaded intersection at Forestville Road. In this incident, the motorist left the roadway, struck a fire hydrant and broke the bonnet off the hydrant. The impact was significant enough that we lost anywhere from 500,000 to 1,000,000 gallons of water in our system that day. Fortunately, Township and City water crews were quick to respond and impacts to our customers were limited to less than two hours. A big kudos goes out to both departments and the Township Fire Department for their assistance directing traffic and keeping the scene safe. I don’t have specific details yet regarding the collection of costs from this incident, but we will continue our efforts in collecting through the motorist’s insurance. You should be aware that there are some complications with this situation that could be troublesome. I will provide more of those details if requested, but request you reach out to me individually if you desire more information.

Finally, the DDA is still moving forward with their Project Priorities and they are requesting your assistance in funding the local match for a TAP grant. The details are in your packet for consideration on Wednesday and Supervisor Durant and I will both be available to discuss those details to the extent necessary.

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer!

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