

**MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF MARQUETTE HEIGHTS
CITY COUNCIL OF MARQUETTE HEIGHTS
TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 12, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M by Mayor Little.

ROLL CALL

Aldermen present for Roll Call: Alderman Crum, Babb, Joos, Neumann, Neuhaus, and Sipes

Also present were Clerk Steele, Treasurer Worent, Attorney Herman, Building Inspector Dearborn, Fire Chief Bartlett, Water/ Street Superintendent Smith, and Office Manager Johnson.

Absent:

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor

- Discussion of on-call verbiage in Personnel Policy.
- Discussion of Salary resolution and yearly raises
- Discussion about Golf Cart Ordinance
- Discussion of IDOT-MFT
- Discussion of Pigeon of Ordinance
- Discussion of Plumbing Permit
- Exec for Personnel

Clerk

- Report on Waste Management Fees

Treasurer

No Report

Attorney

- Meeting with Alderman Crum regarding TIF

Communication

No Report

Building Inspector

No report

Citizens Wishing to Address the Council

There were none

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Water and Sewer – Alderman Neuhaus

- Pontiac Lift Station repair complete
- Conversation regarding Curry and Associates for the engineering grant
- Conversation regarding PFAS Study
- Exec for specific personnel

Law Enforcement – Alderman Babb

Streets – Alderman Neumann

- Job posting on Indeed will run until Thursday
- 250-year banner is not the correct size
- MFT on agenda under new business: \$50,000 can be adjusted

Public Buildings / Parks – Alderman Sipes

- Thermostats are ordered

Fire – Alderman Joos

Planning – Alderman Crum

- Meeting with Josh Macosby 1-19- lobbyist

Old Business

- a.Alderman Neuhaus made a motion, seconded by Alderman Babb to approve the bid of \$113,800.00 from Neumann Co. Contractors, INC for the painting of the Water Tower located in Independence Park.

All Ayes: Motion Passed

- b.Alderman Crum made a motion, seconded by Alderman Babb to approve ordinance #969, for the establishment of tax increment financing

Ayes: Alderman Sipes, Neuhaus, Babb, Crum, and Joos.

Abstained: Alderman Neumann.

Motion Passed.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Alderman Neumann made a motion, seconded by Alderman Neuhaus to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes from Alderman Babb, Joos, Crum, Sipes Neuhaus and Neumann. Motion passed.*

- a.Approve the regular Council Meeting Minutes of December 22, 2025
- b.Approve the Council Executive Meeting Minutes of December 22, 2025
- c.Approve the regular Committee Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2026

d. Approve Bi-weekly expenditure in the amount of \$110,459.66

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

NEW BUSINESS

a. Alderman Neuhaus made a motion, seconded by Alderman Crum, to approve the payment to Altorfer in the amount of \$1090.00 for a 60-month/ 2500 hours extended service warranty

All Ayes: Motion Passed

b. Alderman Neumann made a motion, seconded by Alderman Crum, to approve Resolution #622, for MFT expenditures for calendar year 2026

All Ayes: Motion Passed

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

Jusin Neumann- Questions regarding Rental Registration Property Letter

Ron Babb- wanting an update on burn pit

ANY OTHER BUSINESS PERTAINING TO THE CITY.

Council exited **Regular Session** at 8:11 p.m. and entered **Executive Session** at 8:13 p.m.
Council resumed **Regular Session** at 8:42 p.m.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS PERTAINING TO THE CITY.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Neumann made a motion, seconded by Alderman Babb, to adjourn the regular City Council Meeting at 8:42 p.m. *Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Motion passed.*

Dale Little, Mayor

Vikki Steele, City Clerk