

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF MARQUETTE HEIGHTS
TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
June 1, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor Little.

ROLL CALL

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

Also present: Clerk Steele, Office Manager Johnson, Water Operator Heady, Streets Superintendent Raible, Police Chief Merrit, Fire Chief Bartlett

Absent: Treasurer Worent, Alderman Neuhaus

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor

- Mr. Smith's plaque presentation will be on Monday, 6/8 at the Council Meeting
- 6/17 Alderman Crum will attend the Mayor Association meeting
- Kaskaskia house fire clean-up, Mr. Dearborn to follow up
- TIF 6/15 at 5/30
- Plumbing Inspector fee review
- 6/2 Media Day for Federal Funding Polling Grant
- Notice of online purchase tax going to Pekin
- Reminder of Fireworks at the end of June

City Clerk

- No Report

Treasurer

- No Report

Building Inspector

- No Report

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Water and Sewer – Alderman Neuhaus

- Purchase of locator camera \$1,659.99- Lowes
- Joliet repair, J-Drop
- IRWA- LaSalle to Zion Oak locate
- Tower near Independence Park to be drained- Park restrooms closed—notice on social media and doors- Cover Hydrants
Communicate with Fire Department
- Tower paint color- sky blue

Law Enforcement – Alderman Babb

- Pigeon Ordinance- Owner would like 35 birds
- Currently has 43
- Add number of permits city will allow and increase number of birds to 40
- Sphar new part-time officer
- Camera update more to come

Fire – Alderman Joos

- Abatement sent to OSHA
- Pizza Ranch fundraiser successful

Streets – Alderman Neumann

- Exec.- Specific Personnel

Public Buildings / Parks – Alderman Sipes

- Parking Lot complete
- Projects: bleacher repair, spray weeds, mosquito spraying

Planning – Alderman Crum

- TIF Joint review 6/15 at 5:30
- Certified Mailings 6/19-23
- Public Hearing 6/13 at 6:30
- Enterprise Zone information
- Pizza Parlor has concerns about not being able to be in the Enterprise Zone- been in contact with Jackie W. from Tazewell County
- Water budget discussion, Crum suggested not to increase rates until next spring
- Council decided to move forward with ordinance- to be increased by 3% on July's bill

Old Business

- a.Alderman Crum made a motion, seconded by Alderman Babb for Mayoral appointment of Tim Heady to Water Superintendent position effective June 1, 2026.
Ayes: All, Nays: None, Motion Passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Motion to approve the early completion of the probationary period for Streets Superintendent Matthew Raible based upon satisfactory performance and to confirm his status as a regular full-time employee effective immediately. Alderman Neumann
No action taken: Motion was not made

ANY OTHER BUSINESS PERTAINING TO THE CITY

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Neumann made a motion, seconded by Alderman Babb, to adjourn the regular City Committee Meeting at 8:02p.m. *Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed.*

Dale Little, Mayor

Vikki Steele, Clerk