

CITY OF MACKINAC ISLAND

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, November 24, 2025 at 3:00 PM

City Hall – Council Chambers, 7358 Market St., Mackinac Island, Michigan

I. Call to Order

Mayor Doud called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm

II. Roll Call

PRESENT

- Richard Chambers
- Tom Corrigan
- Steven Moskwa
- Anneke Myers
- Lindsey White
- Jason St. Onge
- K. Bazinau, Treasurer
- M. Gruits & D. Miedzianowski, Chief of Police
- Michael Cavanaugh, present as City attorney via Zoom

IV. Additions to / Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Corrigan, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

V. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, held on November 12, 2025, were presented.

- Mayor Doud stated that the minutes stood approved as presented.

VI. Approval of the Treasurer's Report

The November 24, 2025 Treasurer's Report was presented.

- Mayor Doud stated that the report would be placed on file as presented.

VII. Approval of Payments for:

Motion made by Myers, seconded by White, to approve the payroll and payables as presented.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

VIII. Committee Reports

The November 11, 2025 Historic District Commission & Planning Commission Reports were presented.

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to place the reports on file as presented.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

IX. Correspondence

A letter was received from Corporal Justin Bradford regarding the provision under the Police Union contract regarding Chief candidate Dwayne Miedzianowski's upcoming promotion.

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to place the letter on file.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

X. Old Business

Councilwoman Myers

- Thanked Arnold for their extra afternoon boats they have been running
- \$44.00 advertised rate online
 - \$2.00 what is this booking fee about?
 - Drew May - "covers the expenses for booking" ticketing system, credit card fees,
 - Corrigan - why is that not included in the ticket price?
 - St. Onge - if you pay cash its applied?
 - Drew - yes, to cover booking fees associated with it
 - Myers - also on website - bike price plus \$2.00 city license fee advertised - also states this under burley / tagalong, however the City does not charge these and this is a misrepresentation of fees collected / charged by the City
 - Jenny - this is what was done in the past and was paid to the City
 - Myers - still a misrepresentation as the City does not collect or charge those fees
- Myers - Ace lot is free day parking, correct? (MIFC confirmed) but there are still pay signs in the lot - (MIFC is working on getting those covered up).

XI. New Business

- Chief of Police Employment Contract with Dwayne Miedzianowski
Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to approve the contract and to authorize Mayor Doud to sign the contract.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Adoption of City of Mackinac Island Resolution No. 25-013 – Designation of David Lipovsky II as the City’s Street Administrator (MDOT)
Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Corrigan, to adopt City of Mackinac Island Resolution No. 25-013.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Adoption of City of Mackinac Island Resolution No. 25-014 – Deficit Elimination Plan for the Mackinac Island Transportation Authority.
Motion made by Myers, seconded by White, to adopt City of Mackinac Island Resolution No. 25-014.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Adoption of City of Mackinac Island Resolution No. 25-015 – 2026 – Ferry Rates & Schedules
 - City attorney Mike Cavanaugh informed the Council that both Shepler’s Ferry & Arnold Transit have submitted rates, fees, and schedules for 2026 season. However, both lines have indicated that these were submitted as a "courtesy notice" and do not appear to be seeking the Council's approval
 - The presented resolution acknowledges the “courtesy notice” and allows the Council to place the submittals from both companies on file, but also gives the City the right to reject the presented rates, fees, & schedules at a later date
 - The presented 2026 rates show a \$1.00 increase on top of last year's \$2.00 increase for round trip adult ticket prices, among other rate & fee increases for both companiesMotion made by Myers, seconded by St. Onge, to adopt City of Mackinac Island Resolution No. 25-015.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Request from the Tourism Bureau to have fiber run to their leased building (owned by the City) located at 7274 Main St.
 - Council commented that they were in favor of the project, but more information is needed
 - Building Inspector Dave Lipovsky will need to be involved with the step by step boring / construction project as it is intended to have the line bored from Market Street, presumably through the City’s walkway / parkMotion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to approve the Tourism Bureau personnel to proceed with the installation project for fiber, but that City Building Inspector Dave Lipovsky needs to be involved with the project.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Cheboygan Life Support 3rd Quarter 2025 Report
Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to place the report on file.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- 2026 Fares & Schedules, submitted by Arnold Transit & Shepler’s Ferry
Motion made by Myers, seconded by Corrigan, to place the Arnold Transit & Shepler Ferry 2026 Fares & Schedules on file.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Motion made by Myers, seconded by White, to approve the renewal of the City’s health & dental insurance.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to approve an Off-Island Business License application, submitted by Lipovsky Customs.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to approve an Off-Island Business License application, submitted by Grass, Inc.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

- Motion made by Myers, seconded by Corrigan, to approve an Off-Island Business License application, submitted by Mastercraft Plumbing.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Pre-approved Streets & Right of Way permit, submitted by Belonga Excavating, for a street cut on Cadotte Ave. near Little Stone Church to install water & sewer service for the new school housing
Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by St. Onge, to approve the Street Cut Permit and to waive the fee.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Preapproved (5) vehicle & (2) trailer permits, submitted by Belonga Excavating, for the school housing street cut for the installation of water & sewer service for the new school housing
Motion made by Corrigan, seconded by Chambers, to approve the vehicle & trailer permits and to waive the fees.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- (3) vehicle & (2) trailer permits, submitted by UCI, to bore fiber for the Medical Center (7474 Market St.) and May Cottage (1395 Cadotte Ave.) Vehicles & trailers will arrive on
 - Overnight parking location – on road in front of Windermere Point
 - Must adhere to date & time restrictions for the Christmas Bazaar, Christmas, & New YearsMotion made by St. Onge, seconded by Moskwa, to approve the applications for 30 days as requested, but that if more time is needed, UCI must return to the Council for discussion / approval.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- (3) vehicle permits, submitted by Mission Point, for the delivery of propane. Deliveries will be made between 12/2/25 & 12/4/25, 12/16/25 & 12/18/25, and 01/06/26 & 01/08/26.
Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Moskwa, to approve the vehicle permits.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- (3) vehicle permits, submitted by Darrow Brothers Excavating, to haul large amounts of aggregate to the Bonzheim build – 4311 Pine Cove Ln. Vehicles will arrive on December 1st and will make various trips through December 15th.
Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by White, to approve the vehicle permits.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- Vehicle permit, submitted by the Chippewa Hotel, to hang Christmas decorations at the Chippewa Hotel & Main Street Inn. Lift use will begin November 25th and take two (2) days.
Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Corrigan, to approve the vehicle permit.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- (5) vehicle & (1) trailer permit, submitted by Darrow Brothers, for excavation work for Nancy Porter at her Hoban Hill property. Vehicles & trailers are to arrive December 9th and will be in use for 15 days.
 - Christmas Bazaar restrictions applyMotion made by St. Onge, seconded by Moskwa, to approve the vehicle & trailer permits with the Christmas Bazaar vehicle operation restrictions.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge
- (2) vehicle & (1) trailer permit, submitted by Darrow Brothers, to move an excavator to the Pierson build – Ironwood Ln, Unit 8, Stonecliffe Manor I – for stump removal. Excavator will be delivered on December 4th and will be in use for one (1) to three (3) days.
 - Vehicles cannot move on the streets during Christmas bazaar dates, but can operate on property
 - Cannot work after dark
 - Councilman St. Onge requested that Darrow call him prior to arrival to discuss the new service lines that were recently run so they don't get run overMotion made by Moskwa, seconded by Myers, to approve the vehicle & trailer permits with the applied restrictions.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

- (3) vehicle permits (pre-approved 11.21.2025), submitted by Belonga Excavating, to haul gravel for the roads in Sunset Forest. Trucks arrived the morning of November 24th and will be in use for one (1) to three (3) days.
Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Corrigan, to approve Mayor Doud’s preapproval of vehicle permits.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

- Vehicle permit, submitted by Spence Brothers, to swap out a sky track for use at the Grand Hotel for the Façade project. Swap took place on November 25th and new vehicle will remain in use until spring 2026.
Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Moskwa, to approve.
Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

XII. Miscellaneous / General Council Discussion / Additional Agenda Items

David Jurcak of the Grand Hotel inquired if the City would be in favor of a Drone Show for the 2026 Detroit Regional Conference

- Mayor Doud would like this discussed further, possibly at the Committee level first
- The Clerk’s office was also contact by another Grand Hotel staff member regarding this
 - o Clerk requested that a formal request be made to the Council and that an example video of the drone show to be considered along with their request
- Mayor Doud asked Assistant Trista France to set up a Tourism Bureau Committee Meeting once information is received from the Grand Hotel
 - o Would like to make sure that Brad Chambers is in attendance for discussion

Upon the approval of Dwayne Miedzianowski’s Chief of Police Employment Contract earlier in the meeting, Michael Gruits’ time served as the Chief of Police has ended.

- Council thanked Mr. Gruits for his service as Chief, and noted that they look forward to having him back on the force as an Officer

XIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, motion made by Myers, seconded by White, to adjourn the meeting at 3:53 pm.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White, St. Onge

Margaret M. Doud, Mayor

Danielle Leach, City Clerk