

CITY OF MACKINAC ISLAND

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at 4:00 PM

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

I. Call to Order

Mayor Doud called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm

II. Roll Call

PRESENT

Richard Chambers

Tom Corrigan

Steven Moskwa

Anneke Myers

Lindsey White

Jason St. Onge

Evashevski via Zoom

IV. Additions to / Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Myers, to adopt the agenda as presented.

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

V. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the May 14, 2025 Regular Meeting were presented.

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

VI. Approval of the Treasurer's Report

The May 28, 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 St. Onge, seconded by Myers, to approve the bills and payroll as presented.

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

IX. Correspondence

An email was received from David Nelson asking the Council to consider changing the spelling of Main Street to Mane.

- No reasoning was submitted with the request for the name change
- Council agreed with Street Administrator Dennis Dombroski that this would entail too much work and cost to update plat maps, change street signs, and would also cause issues with the 911 system.

Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Chambers, to place the email on file.

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

X. Old Business

Steve Rilenge approached the Council to discuss the extended use of a telehandler, truck, and trailer at the Wenzel build (Forest Bluff).

- Looking for an extension on the use of a telehandler, vehicle, and trailer for the set crew - aiming to finish by Wednesday, June 4th or Thursday, June 5th
- Will check with Myron Johnson of the State Park to see if the truck can be stored at British Landing while project is completed

Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Moskwa, to approve the extended use of a telehandler, truck, and trailer at the Wenzel build until Thursday, June 5th.

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

XI. New Business

Mayor Doud's 2025 Appointments

Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Chambers, to accept Mayor Doud's 2025 appointments

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

Councilwoman Anneke Myers was nominated as Mayor Pro Tem

Motion made by Corrigan, seconded by Chambers, to nominate and support Councilwoman Myers for Mayor Pro Tem.

Amendment to the Ferry Boat Ordinance

Motion made by Myers, seconded by St. Onge, to adopt Ordinance No. 629 – Ferry Boat Ordinance

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

Bacco patching quote

- Work dates coordinate with remaining UCI work at the head of the Coal Dock
- City's quote takes care of the hazards on Cadotte

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to accept the paving quote from Bacco and to pay the bill out of the Capital Funds.

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

Request for 15 feet of a curb to be painted on Hoban Street outside of Mackinac Island Mobility & Bicycle Rental, located at 1369 Hoban St. (Ira Green)

- Mr. Green was not present at the meeting to discuss his request
- Chief Gruits noted that Mr. Green has voiced concerns about shuttles turning in to the alley and bikes being in the way. Therefore he would like to block it off to lessen the chance of accidents.
- Councilwoman Myers noted that bikes from Mr. Green's rental have been staging in the alley, which causes the carriages to pause when attempting to turn in to the alley
- Businesses in that area need that parking - that parking area has been available for years.
- A letter was received from Central Savings Bank (CSB) President & CEO Mark Savoie voicing concerns about how, if granted, this curb painting would take away valuable parking space for CSB and surrounding businesses

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Chambers, to deny the request for curb painting.

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

Bonga Tavern Marker dedication

- Located beside the Tourism Bureau
- Dedication has been scheduled for July 25th

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

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

City of Mackinac Island Resolution No. 25-008 – Signature Resolution for First National Bank of St. Ignace signature card

Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Myers, to adopt City of Mackinac Island Resolution No. 25-008 - First National Bank of St. Ignace Signature Card.

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

Scheduling of the 2025 Truth in Taxation Hearing

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to schedule the hearing for June 11, 2025 at 3:45 pm

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

Off-Island Business License Application, submitted by The Arbor Barber

Motion made by Myers, seconded by St. Onge, to approve the business license application.

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

Temporary trailer permit, submitted by Scout Troop 147, to haul gear and supplies. Trailer will arrive July 5th and will be on site for eight (8) days.

Motion made by St. Onge, seconded by Chambers, to approve the trailer permit.

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

Competitive Event Application, submitted by Mackinac Island Tourism Bureau, for the Stone Skipping / Waboba Ball Toss Event.

- Working with the State Park and Marine Rescue.
- Contestants will be stationed in the water throughout the course around the island (from Hotel Iroquois to Mission Point) but will only be in the water to about shin depth
- Looking to have at least 80 people

Motion made by Corrigan, seconded by Myers, to approve the Event Application.

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

Approval to fill the vacant full-time position within the Police Department

- Need to fill Gruits' position (from his promotion to Chief), also have an officer looking at retirement in the next year.
- Filling this position would bring the department up to six (6) officers plus the Chief, which is what they had prior to Mike's promotion.

Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Corrigan, to approve Chief Gruits to fill the vacant full-time officer position within the department.

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

Discussion and / or action regarding the COPS grant – Chief Gruits

- Would pay 75% of the new officer’s salary for the first three (3) years
- Grant is not awarded until January 2026

Motion made by Corrigan, seconded by Myers, to approve the submittal of the grant by the Mackinac Island Police Department.

Voting Yea: Chambers, Corrigan, Moskwa, Myers, White

Voting Nay: St. Onge

Approval to purchase a new computer for the Building Department secretary

Motion made by Myers, seconded by St. Onge, to approve the purchase.

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

Off-Island Business License Application, submitted by Karlton Outdoors LLC

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to approve the Business License application.

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

Trailer permit, submitted by Karlton Outdoors LLC, for stump grinding at the Harbour View Inn – 6860 Main St.

- Trailer must park on the property or be brought back down to the dock. Cannot be parked on any street
- Operation times - between 9:00 am to 5:00 pm only

Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Myers, to approve the trailer permit with the stipulations that the trailer be parked on Harbour View property and not on any streets, and that work only occur between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

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

Preapproved vehicle permit, submitted by D&H Bark, for the delivery of woodchips to the school – 7846 Main St.

- Woodchips were delivered at 4:30 am on May 28th

Motion made by Moskwa, seconded by Myers, to approve the preapproved vehicle permit and to waive the fee.

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

XII. Miscellaneous / General Council Discussion / Additional Agenda Items

Dave Jurcak approached the Council regarding the elimination of bike parking at the end of Shepler's Dock

- Dennis Dombroski noted that when drawings were submitted for the recent dock upgrades, the only place marked for bike parking was at the head of the dock for the dock porters, with the end of the dock being shown as a vacant space.
 - There was never a recorded commitment by Shepler's to maintain bike parking anywhere on the dock.
 - City ordinances do not discuss boats hauling bikes with no place to park them – this may need to be a discussion sooner rather than later

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to enter in to closed session at 4:51 pm to discuss ongoing litigation.

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

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa to leave closed session at 5:39 pm

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

Motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to enter in to open session at 5:40 pm

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

XIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, motion made by Myers, seconded by Moskwa, to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 pm

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