

COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF MEQUON

ORDINANCE 2023-1654

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2 of the Mequon Municipal Code, Eliminating the Bond Requirement for Certain City Officers

RECITALS

- A. Sections 19.01(2) and 62.09(4)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes require certain officers to file an official bond with the City, the cost of which is paid by the City.
- B. The statute also provides that the Common Council may elect to forego the bond requirement in exchange for an appropriate insurance policy.
- C. The City's insurance coverage includes crime and dishonesty coverage.
- D. The Common Council desires to eliminate the bond requirement.

BASED UPON THE FOREGOING RECITALS, the Common Council of the City of Mequon, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

SECTION I

Section 2-65 of the Mequon Municipal Code is amended to read as follows (NOTE: Deleted text is strikethrough; Added text is **bolded and underlined**):

Sec. 2-65. - Bonds of city officers, payment of premiums.

(a) *Bonds of city officers.* The treasurer, clerk and such other officers, as the ordinances **and statutes** may require shall **not be required to** furnish **an official bond.**~~a bond issued by a surety company authorized to do business in the state in such amount as the common council may from time to time require.~~

(b) *Payment of premiums***Insurance.** ~~The cost of the bond required to be furnished by any officer shall be charged to the fund appropriated and set up in the budget for such office.~~**The city administrator shall ensure that the city's insurance coverage includes an appropriate amount of crime and dishonesty coverage that covers city officers.**

(c) The city treasurer, and the City of Mequon, shall not be required to furnish the bond to the Ozaukee County treasurer otherwise required by Wis. ~~Stat. Stats.~~ **Stat.** § 70.67(1), the City of Mequon being hereby obligated to pay, in case the city treasurer shall fail to do so, all taxes of any kind required by law to be paid to the

Ozaukee County treasurer as and when due.

SECTION II

The terms and provisions of this ordinance are severable. Should any term or provision of this ordinance be found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining terms and provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in contravention to this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and on the day after its publication.

Approved by: Andrew Nerbun, Mayor

Date Approved: October 10, 2023

I certify that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the Common Council of the City of Mequon, Wisconsin, at a meeting held on October 10, 2023.

Caroline Fochs, City Clerk

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