

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF MARENGO**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
Marengo Council Chambers  
April 12, 2023

**Call to Order** by Mayor Adam Rabe at 6:00 p.m. on April 12, 2023. Council Officials Present: Matt Fults, Sue Peterson, Bill Kreis, John Hinshaw, Travis Schlabach. Absent: None. Quorum declared by Rabe.

**Staff and Press Present:** Admin./Clerk Karla Marck; Deputy Clerk Allison Fry; Finance Manager Ellen Young; Attorney Gage Kensler; Police Chief Ben Gray; Public Works Director Lonnie Altenhofen; Library Director Jackie Jordan.

**Members of the Public Present:** Adam Olson, Doug Kinzenbaw, Matt Loffer, Scott Hamlin.

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by Rabe.

**Approval of Agenda – April 12, 2023**

Motion by Peterson to approve. Second by Schlabach. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Consent Agenda**

Approval of minutes from March 22, 2023 City Council Meeting. Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$368,723.86. March 2023 Revenues Totaling \$299,246.15. March 2023 Major Operating Departments Finance Reports. March 2023 Finance Expenditures & Revenue Report. Motion by Hinshaw to approve with change in description from “Weekly Wastewater-PD” to “Weekly Wastewater- PW” on Eurofins Environment Testing \$604.30 claim. Second by Fults. Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Open Forum**

Loffer inquired on why meeting minutes no longer published week following meeting. Marck reported that The Current changed publication deadlines from Friday at 3:00 to Thursday at 10:00 a.m. Loffer also inquired on why March minutes not posted on site. Marck indicated lack of posting was error and will post ASAP.

**Old Business**

a) **Public Hearing and Third Reading ORD #513: Amendment to Chapter 40-Public Peace; by Revising Section 40.03 and Adding Section 40.07 Disorderly House**

Public hearing opened at 6:04 p.m. Olson asked if will be adding habitual to the ordinance. Loffer questioned need to punish persons not committing the offense. Public hearing closed at 6:09 p.m. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Schlabach. Nays: Fults, Hinshaw. Motion Carried.

b) **Resolution #23-56: Taking Final Action Disbursing General Obligation Storm Water Improvement Bonds, Series 2020A Proceeds for Completion of South Ditch Clean-Out Project, Eastern-Miller Drainage Pipe Cleanout and Retention Pond Cleanout Project Managed and Contracted by Drainage Districts 10 and 12**

Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: None. Abstain: Schlabach. Motion Carried.

c) **Resolution #23-54: Setting Public Hearing for FY23 Budget Amendment**

Young reviewed list of amendments. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Fults. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

d) **Resolution #23-55: Setting Public Hearing Modifying Provisions of Ordinance 433, the City of Marengo Electric Franchise, Relating to Franchise Fees and Modifying Provisions of Ordinance 434, The City of Marengo Natural Gas Franchise, Relating to Franchise Fees**

Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**New Business**

a) **Consideration: Limit Parking to 2-Hours on North Side of Washington Street from Marengo Avenue East to Alley Way**

Discussions occurred specific to location’s proximity to high school and students parking for majority of business hours. Motion by Schlabach to initiate ordinance procedures to establish 2-hour, diagonal parking from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Second by Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

b) **Consideration: Bee City USA Request to Suspend ORD 151.08 Duty to Cut Grass Ordinance for Month of May in Support of No Mow May Program**

No Motion.

c) **Consideration: 1-Year Purchase of Monday.com Cloud-Based Software, Standard Package for Work Order and Work Flow Management; Minimum of 5 Seats at \$10.00 per seat**

Marck reported have been trialing software to manage work orders and requesting 12-month purchase of non-restricted option. Motion by Peterson to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**e) Resolution #23-57: Acceptance of Bid for Sidewalk-Curb-Gutter & Concrete Repairs Project**

Altenhofen reported received bids from American Outdoor Services, Larry Fiser and Specialized Concrete, with Larry Fiser submitting lowest bid of \$11,438.00. Motion by Schlabach to approve public works to enter into contract with Larry Fiser. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**f) Resolution #23-58: Acceptance of Bid for 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe Police Car and Equipment**

Discussions regarding trade-in vs. sale of existing vehicle occurred. To decide best options after trade-in value provided. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Fults. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Update Public Safety – Chief Ben Gray**

For March 2023, Gray reported 23 incidents, 15 arrests, 10 citations, 32 warnings, 3 parking tickets, with a total of 46 outstanding parking tickets. There were 318 calls for service. Reported attended Quarterly Sexual Assault Response Team Meeting and RAGBRAI planning meetings. Reported Mental Health Liaison received 29 calls for service. Reported teardown activities on east end of 810 South Street facility in process. EPA issued C6-Zero Notice of Violation for failure to provide hazardous chemicals information. Stated cleanup crews recently seen at 223 E. Miller property. Three abatement notices issued, with one abated.

**Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports**

None

**Mayor/Council/Committee Reports**

Schlabach suggested council to begin live streaming meetings. No objections occurred. Fults to assist in setting up.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Kreis. Second by Schlabach to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**City of Marengo Claims - 4/12/23**

<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Fund</b>	
General Fund	001	18,004.90
Insurance Levy Fund	005	65,172.00
C6Zero Fund	013	953.83
Road Use Tax Fund	110	6,276.29
Pool Renovatoin/Donations	312	68,698.00
Levee Project	326	152,258.76
Wastewater Treatment Plant	328	9,200.00
Dual Main Project #2	337	10,765.56
Water Fund	600	10,609.31
Sewer Fund	610	369.55
Storm Sewer Fund	740	307.04
Total:		342,615.24

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>
PAYROLL	\$ 26,108.62	3/31/23 Payroll
<b>EFT Payments</b>		
Grinnell State Bank	80.63	March 2023 Bank Fees/K.Frimml-NSF Fee
Iowa Department of Revenue	3,578.30	March 2023 Sales/Water Tax
<b>EFT TOTAL:</b>	<b>3,658.93</b>	
Alliant Energy	11,143.84	Electric
Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	31.98	Flash Drives-PD

Big G Food Store	43.42	March 2023 Supplies-PD/PW
BP	297.02	March 2023 Fuel-PD/FD
Carquest of Marengo	105.82	March 2023 Supplies-PW
Casey's General Store	508.49	March 2023 Fuel-PD
Charles Capper Auto Center	70.27	Tahoe Oil Change/Service-PD
Consolidated Electrical Distributor	925.00	Serviced Generator-PW
Cornerstone Excavating, Inc.	44,861.38	Pond Cleanout-Drainage District
Dan's Overhead Doors	416.26	Service Opener-PW
Dakota Supply Group	10,765.56	4" Dual Main Project Supplies-PW
EcoSource, LLC	800.00	Water Testing-C6Zero
Eurofins Environment Testing	604.30	Weekly Wastewater-PW
Galls	201.80	Duty Belt/Gloves/Pants-PD
Hawkins, Inc.	1,473.50	Water Plant Chemicals-PW
Iowa Communities Assurance Pool	65,172.00	2023 Liability Insurance
Iowa County Drainage District	107,397.38	Projects
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	150.00	S.Larsen Pre-Employment-PD
JEO Consulting Group	68,698.00	Pool Design-Pool
Kinzenbaw Earthmoving, Inc.	225.00	Haul Tractor to Ladora-PW
Marco Technologies	416.33	March 2023 Email/Azure/Computer Maintenance
Marengo Farm & Home	248.85	March 2023 Supplies-PW
Masters Telecom, LLC	9.65	Voicemail-PD
Microbac Laboratories, Inc.	31.00	Drinking Water Analysis-PW
Quill	43.66	Note & Legal Pads/Adding Machine Paper-CH
REIC-Iowa County Landfill	12,175.00	Q4-2022/2023 Landfill Fee
Roggentien Electric	314.14	March 2023 Maintenance-PW
S & J Sanitation	461.50	March 2023 Trash/Dumpsters
S & S Plumbing, Heating, & Air	62.10	Brackets for Flashing Lights-PW
Skyler Jones	35.00	Refund-MRC
Standard Pest Control	35.00	Bug Spraying-CH/PD/FD
Staples	547.65	Ink-CH
Stratton Benscoter	980.51	March 2023 Fuel/Diesel-PW/FD
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	9,200.00	Wastewater Treatment Plant-PW
Windstream	169.49	Internet/Phones
WMPF Group, LLC	335.41	March 2023 Legals
<b>CHECK TOTAL:</b>	<b>338,956.31</b>	
<b>LIBRARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>368,723.86</b>	

Claims Total - Payroll & EFT's

\$ 338,956.31

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Adam Rabe, Mayor

Attest: Karla Marck, City Administrator