

MINUTES
CITY OF MARENGO
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Marengo City Council Chambers
April 27, 2022

Call to Order by Mayor Adam Rabe at 6:00 p.m. on April 27, 2022. Council Officials Present: Jason Kriegel, Sue Peterson, Bill Kreis, John Hinshaw, and Travis Schlabach. Absent: None. Quorum declared by Rabe.

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

Members of the Public Present: Benjamin Hart; Ki Fleming; Elizabeth Cruze; Ariana Lazia; Simona Lazia

Pledge of Allegiance led by Rabe.

Approval of Agenda – April 27, 2022

Marck requested to add “SWEARING IN of Officer Richard Parkinson” to agenda following Open Forum. Motion by Peterson to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Consent Agenda

Included April 13, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes; Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$113,826.49. Liquor License Application for H&H Apothecaries LLC dba Cornerstone Apothecary. Letter of Resignation Officer Isacc Kelley. Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Kreis. Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Open Forum

No Comments.

SWEARING IN Officer Richard Parkinson

Old Business

- a) **Resolution 22-59: Authorizing Participation in the MarenGO Development Group, and Main Street Iowa Program; Designating City Official to Governing Board**
Marck noted typo in resolution and requested to change from “No. 22-58 to 22-59.” Marck stated resolution content requested as part of Main Street Iowa application process, however indicated that MarenGO organization will continue with or without the Main Street affiliation and MarenGO organization requests same financial, economic revitalization/preservation, and governing board support as outlined in the resolution. Marck indicated she would continue to serve as board member. Motion to Approve by Schlabach. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- b) **Resolution 22-60: Providing Financial and In-Kind Support of the MarenGO Organization**
Marck reiterated intent for MarenGO organization to hire full-time position, with a minimum of 25 hours dedicated to MarenGO initiatives. Requesting \$15K to help fund position. In addition, requesting up to \$6K of in-kind library office/equipment/utilities donations to house MarenGO headquarters. Motion to Approve by Schlabach. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c) **Consideration: Bonding Capacity Allocation for Marengo Pool Project**
Discussions occurred regarding city bonding allocations, vs. private fund-raising efforts, and preliminary project cost estimates of \$4.2M to \$4.4M. Schlabach suggested to reserve \$3.8M of city’s bonding capacity to the project. Peterson voiced concerns for dedicating \$3.8M to a single project with seasonal availability (approx. 60 days), and suggested monies would be better served if allocated to multiple city projects. Hinshaw stated that city residents will get to vote their opinions during the September 2022 pool referendum. Motion by Hinshaw for council to reserve \$3.8M of city’s bonding capacity for design and development of new city pool. Second by Schlabach. Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: Peterson. Motion carried.
- d) **Resolution 22-58: Setting Public Hearing for FY22 Budget Amendment**
Young stated will be adding additional amendments for library repairs and legal fees. Motion to Approve by Schlabach. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- e) **Resolution 22-61: Amendment of City Policy and Procedure, Section 5.2 Continued Healthcare Coverage, Allowing for Conversation of Accumulated, Unused Sick Leave to COBRA Coverage Payment**
Gray stated added clause requiring minimum 4 years of service. Motion to Approve by Schlabach. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Peterson, Kreis, Schlabach. Nays: Hinshaw. Motion carried.
- f) **Resolution 22-62: Amendment of City Policy and Procedure, Section 4.2 Sick Leave, Amending Sick Leave Accrual to Allow for Up to A Maximum 135 Days**
Gray stated currently at 90 days. Requesting increase in cap to enhance Res. 22-61 policy. Motion to Approve by Peterson. Second by Kreis. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Peterson, Kreis, Schlabach. Nays: Hinshaw. Motion carried.

New Business

- a) None

Update Director Public Works – Lonnie Altenhofen

Altenhofen reported 9 water shut offs for month of April due to non-payment. Flushing hydrants week of April 25. Repair work is being done on well 10. Water plant filters and backwash inspections are occurring week of May 2. Completed seal coat street inspections and bids; repairs planned for June/July. Graded alleys; applied 60 ton of rock, more on order. Dug out some storm drains;

need replacement plan. Summer help ad open until April 29. Prepping for mowing and trimming season. Working on additional ash tree removal and replacement for city park.

Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports

Kensler reported will be representing city in 3 municipal infractions. Continuing to work on serving final 1001 E. Main property owner. Reported city received DNR Federal Land & Water Conservation Fund Recipient report request, which indicated due to 1974 receipt of Federal LWCG Grants for existing swimming pool, city is required to keep property open for public outdoor recreation in perpetuity. Will need to be reported to pool committee and considered as part of city pool project planning. Marck reported on planned MarenGO activities: May 5, Main Street Walk-Around; May 12, KCRG Our Town Luncheon; May 18, MarenGO Open House; May 27, Main Street Application submission. Gateway Park group is planning Kids Fishing Tournament for June 4. Freedom for Youth Ministries will be holding a Freedom Quest event in City Park on June 16. Various city entities (police department and EMS) are in discussions for providing services for rodeo on June 25. In addition, Chamber is planning for July 3 activities.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Schlabach reported on track for fountain completion by July 3. Kriegel reported will be meeting with Conversation Board of Supervisors regarding Iowa River boat ramp access. Requested letter of support from council.

Adjournment

Motion by Schlabach. Second by Kreis to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Kriegel, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

City of Marengo Claims - 4/27/2022

Fund Name	Fund	
General Fund	001	22,153.64
Road Use Tax Fund	110	8,998.88
Wastewater Treatment Plant	328	13,800.00
Water Fund	600	41,034.04
Sewer Fund	610	5,122.06
Storm Sewer Fund	740	387.16
Total:		91,495.78

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
PAYROLL	\$ 22,330.71	4/15/2022
EFT Payments		
United Healthcare	9,506.17	April 2022 Health Insurance
EFT TOTAL:	9,506.17	
Alliant Energy	12,964.64	Electric
Amazon Capital Services	338.89	Labels-PD
Brown Supply Co.	1,030.00	Jacket/Brooms for Sweeper-PW
Charles Capper Auto Center	347.23	Car Maintenance-PD
City of Marengo Petty Cash	101.40	April 2022 Petty Cash-PW/PD
Creative Product Source, Inc.	319.12	Activity Cards-PD
East Miller Print & Design	70.00	Paper-PD
Galls, Inc.	1,365.65	Uniforms-PD
Hawkins, Inc.	1,905.50	Water Plant Chemicals-PW
Heiman	4,105.30	Wall Nozzle-FD
JEO Consulting Group	4,800.00	Design Engineering-Pool
Keltek, Inc.	80.48	Molle Mount-PD
Kinzenbaw Earthmoving, Inc.	648.05	Hauled Rock-PW

Kirkwood Community College	21.00	Training-PD
Kollmorgen, Schlue, & Zahradnik, P.C.	2,859.24	March 2022 Legal Fees
Marco Technologies	715.00	April 2022-Email/Azure
Marengo Firefighters Assn.	405.00	Fire Calls-FD
Marengo Post Office	398.00	April 2022 Postage-CH/PW
Masters Telecom, LLC	9.46	Voicemail-PD
Quill	82.32	Towels/Soap-CH
Sirchie	46.54	Hinge Lifter-PD
T & W Grinding & Composting	3,000.00	Feb-Apr 2022 Composting
Utility Service Co.	32,137.50	FY23 Maintenance Fee
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	13,800.00	Engineering
Windstream	439.29	Internet/Phones
CHECK TOTAL:	81,989.61	
LIBRARY TOTAL:	0.00	
GRAND TOTAL:	113,826.49	

Claims Total - Payroll & EFT's \$ 81,989.61

Adam Rabe, Mayor

Attest: Karla Marck, City Administrator