

MINUTES
CITY OF MARENGO
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Marengo Council Chambers
July 24, 2024

Call to Order by Mayor Adam Rabe at 6:00 p.m. on July 24, 2024. Council Officials Present: Karen Wayson-Kisling, Bill Kreis, John Hinshaw, Jenni Olson via phone, Travis Schlabach. Absent: None. Quorum declared by Rabe.

Staff and Press Present: Admin./Clerk Karla Marck; Deputy Clerk Allison Gerard; Financial Manager Ellen O'Rourke; Police Chief Ben Gray; Public Works Director Lonnie Altenhofen; Attorney Gage Kensler; Library Director Jackie Jordan; Managing Editor Winona Whitaker, Hometown Media. Absent: None

Members of the Public Present: Scott Hamlin; Dylan Pritchard; Sharon Carney.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Rabe.

Approval of Agenda – July 24, 2024

Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Schlabach. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Kreis, Olson, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Consent Agenda

Approval of minutes from July 10, 2024, City Council Meeting. Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$71,186.81. Motion by Kreis to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw; Olson; Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Open Forum. No comments.

Old Business

- a) **Public Hearing & Third Reading ORD #532: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 56 – Exotic Pets and Farm Animals; Section 56.01 Definitions, Item 3.E. Wild Animals; Removing Boa Constrictors.** Public Hearing opened at 6:01 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:02 p.m. Motion by Olson to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw, Olson. Nays: Schlabach. Motion carried.
- b) **Public Hearing & Third Reading ORD #533: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 68 – One-Way Traffic; Adding Item #1. May Street Between Marengo Avenue and Court Avenue from East to West.** Public Hearing opened at 6:03 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:03 p.m. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw, Olson, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c) **Public Hearing & Third Reading ORD #534: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 65 – Stop or Yield Required; Section 65.03 Four-Way Stop Intersections; Franklyn Avenue and Marion Street.** Public Hearing opened at 6:04 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:04 p.m. Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw, Olson. Nays: Schlabach. Motion carried.
- d) **Public Hearing & First Reading ORD #535: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 69 – Parking Regulations; Section 69.08 No Parking Zones; Adding Item #24. Lafayette Avenue on the west side from Main Street to May Street and the east side from May Street south 160'.** Public Hearing opened at 6:05 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:06 p.m. Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Olson. Nays: Kreis, Schlabach. Motion carried.

New Business

- a) **Consideration: Amending City Policy Adding Parental Leave.** Discussion about which proposed option to use. No motion.
- b) **Consideration: Transfer of Excess General Fund Funds to Capital Expenditures.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Kreis, Olson, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c) **Resolution #25-04: Approving Police Department to Carry-Over Funds from One Fiscal Year to Another.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Kreis, Olson, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- d) **Resolution #25-05: Approving Marengo Public Library to Carry-Over Funds from One Fiscal Year to Another.** Discussions regarding carry over policy and appropriate types of expenditures occurred. Motion by Schlabach to approve carry over of funds, however library board to present where money to be spent. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw, Olson, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- e) **Resolution #25-06: Approving Marengo Cemetery to Carry-Over Funds from One Fiscal Year to Another.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Kreis, Olson, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- f) **Consideration: Acceptance of New Air Condenser Bid for Library Air Conditioning System.** Accepted by Council. No motion. Approved per city purchasing policy.
Councilperson Olson became disconnected from the phone line at approximately 7:13 p.m.
- g) **Resolution #25-07: Approving Pay Estimate #1 for May Street Improvements Project.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Kreis, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Update Public Works – Director Lonnie Altenhofen

For June 2024, Altenhofen reported 10 shut offs for nonpayment; 41 locates; well #12 is up and running; water on at Court Ave and is 80% complete, Lift pumps at Fairlawn and May St have been repaired and installed; Sewer main repaired in alley between Main and

May St which also included a full day of jetting/cleaning sewer; storm sewer work has begun on May St; park fountain is up and running; pot hole filling, spraying for mosquitos; mowing and trimming.

Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports. Attorney Kensler reported that the deed for Industrial Lot #2 has been prepared; 699 Marengo owners have been served and have 20 days to respond; Kensler recommended the City Council should have an ordinance enforcement clarification for vicious animals; Council agreed to appeal the dog bite case dismissal. Administrator Marck reported that the Lead & Copper survey is on Facebook and at City Hall and to date 49 surveys have been completed; the pool has been painted and the slide is being placed.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports. Chief Gray reported to the Council that National Night Out is August 6th; cameras have been installed at City Hall, City Park, Police Station, Public Works Building and water treatment plant.

Adjournment

Motion by Schlabach. Second by Wayson-Kisling to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

City of Marengo Claims - 7.24.24

Fund Name	Fund	
General Fund	001	10,143.80
C6Zero Fund	013	275.00
Road Use Tax Fund	110	668.92
Water Fund	600	26,220.63
Sewer Fund	610	4,423.75
Total:		41,732.10

Payee	Amount	Description
PAYROLL	1,210.79	7/12/2024 SPECIAL PAY
PAYROLL	28,243.92	7/19/2024
EFT Payments		
EFT TOTAL:	0.00	
Alliant Energy	3,370.20	Electric
Amazon Capital Business	115.57	Plastic Wand & Memory Card-PD
BP	594.67	June 2024 Fuel-PD/PW
Ferguson Waterworks	3,132.00	2024 Software Renewal-PW
Galls, LLC	165.59	Uniform Shirt & Pant-PD
Heartland COOP	128.90	Spray Fields-MRC
Heiman	272.83	Coat Cleaning/Repair-FD
Iowa County Recorder	34.00	Johnson-Recording Fee-Cemetery
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	20.00	T.Dahlberg MMPI-PD
Kollmorgen, Schlue, & Zahradnik, P.C.	3,377.66	June 2024 Legal
Marco Technologies, LLC	245.33	Copier Lease/WASP Printer-CH/PD
Marengo Post Office	500.00	July 2024 Postage-PW
Mayberry Electric, Inc.	1,140.90	Electric-PW/Park/FD
Northway Well & Pump, Co.	23,969.90	Well #12 Rehabilitation-PW
On Target Ammunition, LLC	749.69	Ammo-PD
Police Legal Sciences, Inc.	640.00	Lesson Update-PD
S&S Plumbing, Heating, & Air	291.60	AC Unit Service-PD
Verizon Wireless	594.99	June 2024 Desk/Cell Phones

