

MINUTES
CITY OF MARENGO
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Marengo Council Chambers
June 12, 2024

Call to Order by Mayor Adam Rabe at 6:00 p.m. on June 12, 2024. Council Officials Present: Jenni Olson, Bill Kreis, John Hinshaw, Travis Schlabach. Absent: Karen Wayson-Kisling. Quorum declared by Rabe.

Staff and Press Present: Admin./Clerk Karla Marck; Deputy Clerk Allison Fry; Police Chief Ben Gray; Financial Manager Ellen O'Rourke, 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; Audrey Loffer; John Moore; Jim Peterson.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Rabe.

Approval of Agenda – June 12, 2024

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

Consent Agenda

Approval of minutes from May 22, 2024, City Council Meeting. Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$1,000,230.08.

Approval of Application for Tax Abatement 166 E Washington Street. Approval of Application for

Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Sales for Dollar General 7128. Approval of Liquor License Application Ambies LLC. Approval of Liquor License Application Wandling Wendall Post No. 76 dba American Legion Post #76. Approval of 5-Day Liquor License Application Wildhorse Productions LLC. May 2024 Revenues Totaling \$437,571.65. May 2024 Major Operating Departments Finance Reports. May 2024 Finance Expenditures & Revenue Report. IPAIT Report. Motion by Olson to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Open Forum. Audrey Loffer asked if there are people or businesses that will mow lawns for elderly/low income individuals.

Consideration: Request for Hearing as to Whether a Nuisance Exists, 598 E. Hilton Street; Audrey Loffer. Motion by Schlabach to approve adding an additional 7 days for the car removal and 14 days for the other nuisances. Seconded by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Hinshaw, Kreis, Schlabach. Nays: None.

Old Business

- a) **Public Hearing & Third Reading ORD #529: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 106 – Collection of Solid Waste; Landfill Fees.** Public Hearing opened at 6:28p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:28p.m. Motion by Olson to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- b) **Public Hearing & Third Reading ORD #530: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 92 – Water Rates.** Public Hearing opened at 6:29p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:29p.m. Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c) **Public Hearing & Third Reading ORD #531: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 99 – Sewer Services Charges.** Public Hearing opened at 6:29p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:30p.m. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- d) **Resolution #24-90: Setting Public Hearing to Amend Chapter 56 – Exotic Pets and Farm Animals; Section 56.01 Definitions, Item 3.E. Wild Animals; Removing Boa Constrictors.** Motion by Olson to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: Schlabach. Motion carried.
- e) **Resolution #24-91: Setting Public Hearing to Amend 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'.** Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Hinshaw. Nays: Kreis, Schlabach. Motion failed.
- f) **Resolution #24-92: Approving Pay Application #6 for Public Works Building.** Motion by Kreis to approve. Second by Schlabach. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- g) **Resolution #24-93: Approving Pay Application #6 for 2023 Pool Project.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- h) **Resolution #24-95: Setting Public Hearing 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.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- i) **Resolution #24-97: Setting Public Hearing 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.** Motion by Kreis to approve. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Rabe left the meeting at 6:56p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Kreis took over.

New Business

- a) **Consideration: Annual Administration of 3.7% Water Rate Service Increase, section 92.02 Rates for Service, and 3.7% Sewer Service Charges increase, section 99.06 Rate and Manner of Payment, which state annual increases to be determined by the annual CPI-U for the Midwest Region as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics or a minimum 3% increase, whichever is greater.** Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Kreis. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis,

Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

- b) **Consideration: Authorization to Bid Concreting the Remainder of new Public Works Drive, 157 East Dillin.** Altenhofen indicated would be change order for project. Motion by Schlabach to approve the addition of Industrial Park driveway. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c) **Consideration: Next Steps for Vacant Public Works Property and City Sheds, Marengo Avenue.** Motion by Schlabach to approve with PW Director obtaining bids for rock or concrete and cost of removing concrete pad. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- d) **Consideration: Resolution #24-96: Acceptance of Quote for Weather Siren Repairs.** Motion by Hinshaw to approve obtaining bids for replacing and upgrading the siren by the hospital and replacing/repairing the others. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
- e) **Resolution #24-94: Authorizing Street Closure for Fire Department Water Ball Fight.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Update Public Safety – Chief Ben Gray

For May 2024, Gray reported 14 incidents, 6 arrests, 18 citations, 50 warnings, 6 parking tickets, with a total of 43 outstanding parking tickets. There were 260 calls for service. Gray presented at the Rotary Club, CPR/AED training for all officers, working on possibility of developing a county wide Knox Box program, and doing background checks on two applicants with a possible hire by June 26.

Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports

Attorney Gage Kensler reported he filed a petition for 699 Marengo Avenue and will serve soon.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

No reports.

Consideration: Motion to Enter into CLOSED Session Pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5.i to Discuss Strategy with Counsel in Matters to Evaluate the Professional Competency of an Individual Whose Appointment, Hiring, Performance, or Discharge is Being Considered When Necessary to Prevent Needless and Irreparable Injury to that Individual’s Reputation and that Individual Requests a Closed Session. Motion by Schlabach to enter Closed Session at 7:18 p.m. Second by Olson. Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried. Motion by Olson to exit Closed Session at 7:47 p.m. Second by Schlabach.

Adjournment

Motion by Schlabach. Second by Hinshaw to adjourn at 7:49 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

City of Marengo Claims - 6.12.24

Fund Name	Fund	
General Fund	`001	36,373.12
Economic Development	010	60,000.00
C6Zero Fund	013	345.00
Library Carryover/Donations	021	1,242.05
Library Steven's Money	032	493.65
MRC Fund	041	2,500.00
Road Use Tax Fund	110	17,397.16
TIF Fund	125	5,500.00
Debt Service Fund	200	416,176.36
Pool Renovation/Donations	312	120,978.50
Wastewater Treatment Plant	328	9,200.00
Public Works Building	338	165,618.50
Pool-May Street/Court Ave Water Main	342	11,756.00
May & Franklyn Storm Box	343	2,088.20
Western Ave Sidewalk-Railroad	345	8,780.00

Water Fund	600	17,917.63
Sewer Fund	610	8,258.71
Sewer Sinking Fund	611	57,830.00
Storm Sewer Fund	740	362.71
Total:		942,817.59

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
PAYROLL	26,245.65	5/24/2024
PAYROLL	26,259.16	6/7/2024
PAYROLL	4,777.68	6/7/2024 Special
EFT Payments		
Grinnell State Bank	86.90	D.Pitcher-NSF Fee/May 2024 Bank Fees
UMB	416,176.36	2024-GO Bonds
Metlife	1,273.23	June 2024 Metlife
Wellmark	12,385.86	June 2024 Health Insurance
Iowa Finance Authority	57,830.00	June 2024-C0681R
Iowa Department of Revenue	3,574.60	May 2024 Sales/Water Tax
EFT TOTAL:	491,326.95	
EFT Payments		
Aaron Cronbaugh's Lawn Care/Snow Removal, LLC	4,200.00	May 2024 Mowing-Cemetery
Adam Ardolino	5,500.00	Exterior Grant Program
Alliant Energy	9,640.90	Electric
Amazon Capital Business	212.95	Sling Bag/1st Aid Kit/Blinds-PD/CH
Ampride	202.69	May 2024 Fuel-PD
Bear Creek Construction	96.57	Repair Soffit-PD
Ben & Bobbi Miller	60,000.00	Catalyst Grant
Beyond the Pages	130.00	Re-issue Check #41589
Big G Foods	107.82	May 2024 Supplies-PW/PD/MRC
Blue Valley Public Safety, Inc.	1,650.00	Siren Repair-PW
BP	661.24	May 2024 Fuel-PD/PW
Brian Miller Excavating, LLC	2,211.67	Repair Hydrant/Lime-PW/MRC
BSN Sports	3,876.56	Gear/Field Drag-MRC
Bushong Const. Company, Inc.	164,777.50	Payment #6-PW Building
Carquest of Marengo	824.44	May 2024 Supplies-PW
City of Marengo Petty Cash	143.28	June 2024 Petty Cash-PD/PWCH
CMI, Inc.	450.00	Intox Kit-PD
Conner Knapp	20.00	TV-Cleanup Days
Crescent Electric Supply Company	1,873.19	Light for Park-Park
Dakota Supply Group	1,268.00	Hydrant Extension/Sleeve-PW
DiscountCell, LLC	116.00	Antenna Cable-PW
ECICOG	60.00	Recharge Event-CH
Eurofins Environment Testing	748.42	Weekly Wastewater-PW
Galls, Inc.	176.79	Uniforms-PD
Gee Asphalt Systems, Inc.	4,682.37	Street Seal-PW
Goodwill Industries of the Heartland	146.25	May 2024 Janitorial Services-CH
Hawkins, Inc.	1,802.34	Water Plant Chemicals-PW

HDC Printed Products	181.63	Checks-CH
High Performance Patch	889.50	Cold Patch-PW
Iowa One Call	51.30	One Calls-PW
JEO Consulting Group	6,805.00	Marengo Pool Design-Pool
Jetco, Inc.	1,804.50	Eaton UPS-PW
Kinzenbaw Earthmoving	2,088.20	Hauled Rock-May St.Storm Project
Kirkwood Community College	36.00	Training-PD
Kollmorgen, Schlue, & Zahradnik, PC	1,555.00	Legal
Lexipol, LLC	4,618.90	Policy Manual-PD
Lino H2O	1,736.00	Annual Calibration/Chemtrac-PW
Macqueen	780.02	Vac Truck Sensor-PW
Marco Technologies	370.00	WASP Printer-PD
Marengo Farm & Home	214.19	May 2024 Supplies-PW
Marengo Firefighters Assn	97.50	Fire Calls-FD
Marengo Post Office	154.00	Fy25 Annual PO Box-CH
Masters Telecom, LLC	9.22	Voicemail-PD
Momar	2,334.36	Bug Spray-PW
Racom	708.75	Charger-PD
REC	42.46	Welcome Sign Electric
Roggentien Electric	383.87	May 2024 Maintenance-PW
S&J Sanitation	218.00	April 2024 Dumpster/Trash
S&S Appliance & Mattress	868.00	Shop Refridgerator-PW
Sherwin-Williams	959.70	Paint for Lines-PW
Sirchie Acquisition Company, LLC	32.70	Blood Urine Speciment Kit-PD
Splashtacular	79,642.00	Shop Drawings/Slide-Pool
Standard Pest Control	45.00	Bug Spraying-PW
Stratton Benscoter (Whitey's)	874.89	May 2024 Fuel/Diesel-PW
Superior Title & Escrow of Kansas City	26,548.00	Slide Contract-Pool
Swift True Value Home Center	2,226.85	May 2024 Supplies-PW/MRC
Terracon	856.00	Cement Testing-Pool
TruGreen	89.00	Spray North Park-Park
Tyler Technologies, Inc.	6,715.94	FY25 Fund Balance Annual Fees
USA Communications	25.29	Internet/Phones-PW
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	29,736.00	Engineering Fees
Verizon Wireless	593.88	May 2024 Desk/Cell Phones
Warrior Recreation Department	100.00	Tournament Fees-MRC
Waterloo Tent & Tarp Company, Inc.	7,127.50	Umbrellas-Pool
Welter Storage Equipment, Inc.	841.00	Pallet Packing-PW
Windstream	25.50	Internet/Phones
WMPF Group, LLC	658.67	Publications
CHECK TOTAL:	448,623.30	
Access Systems Leasing	226.58	Copier Lease
Amazon Capital Business	1,586.01	Books/Tech
Know Buddy Resources	142.69	Children's Titles
Nevada Public Library	7.00	LP Titles
Quill	269.13	Janitorial Supplies/Office Supplies
S&J Sanitation	85.00	April 2024 Trash
S&S Plumbing, Heating, & Air	108.00	A/C Unit Service

Standard Pest Control	48.15	Bug Spraying
Swift True Value Home Center	55.94	Lock/Window Seal
TechImpact	267.00	IT Services
US Cellular	173.96	Hotspots
USA Communications	27.88	Phones/Fax/Internet
LIBRARY TOTAL:	2,997.34	
GRAND TOTAL:	1,000,230.08	

Claims Total - Payroll & EFT's **\$451,620.64**

\$130.00	Re-issue Check
\$451,490.64	Without Re-issued check

Adam Rabe, Mayor

Attest: Karla Marck, City Administrator