

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF MARENGO**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
Marengo Council Chambers  
May 10, 2023

**Call to Order** by Mayor Adam Rabe at 6:00 p.m. on May 10, 2023. Council Officials Present: Matt Fults, Sue Peterson, Bill Kreis, John Hinshaw (via phone), Travis Schlabach. Absent: None. Quorum declared by Rabe.

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

**Members of the Public Present:** Richard Schmidt, Barry Goettsch, Scott Hamlin, Thad Trier, Rachel Trier, Rick Heller, Damon McCausland, Brian Miller, Doug Kinzenbaw.

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by Rabe.

**Approval of Agenda – May 10, 2023**

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

**Consent Agenda**

Approval of minutes from April 26, 2023 City Council Meeting. Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$152,792.40. April 2023 Revenues Totaling \$828,499.65. April 2023 Major Operating Departments Finance Reports. April 2023 Finance Expenditures & Revenue Report. Motion by Peterson to approve. Second by Kreis. Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Open Forum**

D. McCausland provided update on Vestas facilities located at 2273 Highway 6 Trl, as hopper structure was destroyed during weekend storm and estimated 80 mph winds. Reported constructing single level of containers. Inquired on council's consideration for adding bales of hay on top of containers for additional height. Rabe stated council prohibited stacking containers due to ascetics, and stacking of hay bales would fall into same category. D. Kinzenbaw suggested council consideration for alternative specifications, and provided estimated costs, for the Public Works Shop 2" Water Main; 6" Water Main; and 6" Sewer RFPs that were due for submission to city hall by May 8, 2023.

**Old Business**

- a) **Public Hearing and Second Reading ORD #514: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, by Modifying Provisions of Ordinance 433, the City of Marengo Electric Franchise, Relating to Franchise Fees**  
Public hearing opened at 6:08 p.m. No comments. Public hearing closed at 6:08 p.m. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Fults. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
- b) **Public Hearing and Second Reading ORD #515: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, by Modifying Provisions of Ordinance 434, the City of Marengo Natural Gas Franchise, Relating to Franchise Fees**  
Public hearing opened at 6:08 p.m. No comments. Public hearing closed at 6:09 p.m. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
- c) **Public Hearing and First Reading ORD #516: Amendment to Chapter 69 – Parking Regulations – Amending Section 69.11 LIMITED PARKING, Adding to item #3-Two Hour Limited Parking from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Washington Street on the North Side from 90 feet East of Marengo Avenue**  
Public hearing opened at 6:10 p.m. Gray clarified that change is to add two-hour limited parking on Washington Street and to remove items #1 and #2 from existing ordinance, which rennumbers ordinance for inclusion of an item #1 and an item #2 only. No public comments. Public hearing closed at 6:12 p.m. Motion by Schlabach to approve the amending of section 69.11 Limited Parking, adding Two Hour Limited Parking from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Washington Street on the North Side from 90 Feet East of Marengo Avenue and removing current items #1 and #2. Second by Kreis. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
- d) **Resolution #23-68: Acceptance of Proposals to Install 2" or 6" Water Services and 6" Sewer Services as part of Proposed Urban Renewal Project for Relocation of Public Works Building to City's Industrial Park, Lot #2**  
Discussions occurred regarding prior council discussions and decisions specific to relocation of public works building, and the requested RFPs alignment with those decisions. Marck noted resolution includes stipulation that contracting of services with lowest bidder is contingent upon receipt of financing for the relocation of the public works building to Lot #2 of the city's Industrial Park. Motion by Schlabach to approve resolution option #2, which includes 6" Water Main and 6" Sewer. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: Peterson. Motion Carried.
- e) **Resolution #23-69: Setting Public Hearing for Subdivision of Lot #2; Reserving Northern Section for City's Use**  
Discussions occurred on need to adjust resolution subdivision descriptions for inclusion of property located on north side of drainage ditch easement and for adding north/south utilities easement through proposed southern segment. Motion by Schlabach to set public hearing for subdivision of lot #2, into 3 segments, with the southern property line of the northern most segment to run through the center of the drainage ditch easement and to be sold with the 1.45 acre parcel located on the southern section of lot #2, which is to include a utility easement within the site 25' setback area, from Dillin Street to the southern border of the north 1.25 acre parcel. Second by Kreis. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: Peterson. Motion Carried.
- f) **Public Hearing and Approval of Resolution #23-59: Approving FY23 Budget Amendments**  
Public hearing opened at 7:00 p.m. No comments. Public hearing closed at 7:00 p.m. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Fults. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**New Business**

a) **Discussion: Right to Demo; 810 East South Street Property**

Chief Grey reported toured site and will be requesting retention of building owner’s insurance monies to insure demo of damaged site is adequately completed. No motion.

b) **Resolution #23-67: Setting Public Hearing for Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa Chapter 106 – Collection of Solid Waste, Revising Section 106.07 Landfill Fee**

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

c) **Resolution #23-70: Resolution Approving Seasonal Hiring Public Works Maintenance**

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

d) **Consideration: Granting to MarenGO Community Development Group, Waiver of Peddler Event Fees for the May to October 2023 Marengo Market Program**

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

**Update Public Safety – Chief Ben Gray**

For April 2023, Gray reported 34 incidents, 15 arrests, 49 citations, 63 warnings, 18 parking tickets, with a total of 48 outstanding parking tickets. There were 382 calls for service. Reported Officer Botsford will be returning to academy, as required, to finalize certification. National Police Week begins May 14, 2023. A total of 12 nuisance property notices were served, 5 have been abated, one citation was issued. Iowa County Mental Health Liaison reported a total of 136.1 CFS response hours.

**Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports**

Kensler reported Ruiz judgment was received and city awarded reimbursement.

**Mayor/Council/Committee Reports**

Marck reported City Wide Clean Up planned for May 25 and 26. DNR granted Change of Use for old city pool property.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Kreis. Second by Schlabach to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Fults, Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**City of Marengo Claims - 5/10/2023**

<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Fund</b>	
General Fund	001	15,449.27
C6Zero Fund	013	300.00
Library Gifts & Memorials	033	571.94
Road Use Tax Fund	110	3,258.37
Debt Service Fund	200	600.00
Pool Renovation/Donations	312	100,767.00
Jefferson St-Dual Main Project	333	57.98
Water Fund	600	4,138.96
Sewer Fund	610	<u>402.35</u>
	Total:	125,545.87

<b><u>Pavee</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
PAYROLL	\$ 25,524.29	4/28/2023
SPECIAL PAYROLL	\$ 1,123.88	5/5/2023
<b>EFT Payments</b>		
UMB Financial	600.00	2023 - 2020A GO Bond Fees
Grinnell State Bank	68.19	April 2023 Bank Fees
Iowa Department of Revenue	3,075.31	April 2023 Sales/Water Tax
Metlife	1,098.84	May 2023 Metlife Benefits

<b>EFT TOTAL:</b>	<b>4,842.34</b>	
Alan Moore	300.00	Fence Repair-C6 Zero
Amazon Capital Business	175.77	Gloves/Ranger Mirror-PD
Big G Foods	101.95	April 2023 Supplies-PD/CH
BP	795.07	April 2023 Fuel-PD/FD
Carquest	45.78	April 2023 Supplies-PW
Casey's General Store	564.37	April 2023 Fuel-PD
Charles Capper Auto	1,783.08	18 Explorer Maintenance-PD
Custom Hose	598.36	Re-issue Ck# 41560
Dakota Supply Group	350.00	Plow Blade-PW
Dorsey & Whitney	4,391.00	2022 UR Plan Amendment
Eurofins Environment Testing	572.20	Weekly Wastewater-PW
Goodwill Industries of the Heartland	325.00	April 2023 Janitorial Services-CH/Lib
IA Department of Public Safety	300.00	Jan-Mar 2023 Radio Monitoring-PD
Iowa County Recorder	34.00	Recording Fees-Kahler-Cem
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	175.00	Jepson Instructor Recert-PD
Iowa One Call	23.40	One Calls-PW
JEO Consulting Group	100,767.00	Design-Pool
Marco Technologies	965.74	April 2023 Email/Azure/2023 Barracuda
Marengo Farm & Home	308.48	April 2023 Supplies-PW/PD
Masters Telecom	9.57	Voicemail-PD
Menards	1,161.69	Dog Kennel/Shed @ H2O Plant-PW
Microbac Company	31.00	Drinking Water Analysis-PW
Quill	27.38	Toilet Paper-PW
Roggentien Electric	1,195.80	April 2023 Maintenance-PW/FD
S & J Sanitation	231.00	April 2023 Trash/Dumpers
Secretary of State	30.00	E. Young 2023 Notary Stamp-CH
Simmons Construction	425.00	Black Dirt-Cem
Standard Pest Control	35.00	Bug Spraying-PD/CH/FD
State Hygienic Laboratory	13.50	Water Testing-PW
Stratton Benscoter (Whitey's)	502.90	April 2023 Fuel/Diesel-PW/FD
Swift True Value Home Center	1,201.89	April 2023 Supplies-FD/PW/MRC/PD
TruGreen	314.00	Spray-Parks
Verizon Wireless	482.01	April 2023 Desk/Cell Phones
WMPF Group, LLC	631.37	April 2023 Legals
<b>CHECK TOTAL:</b>	<b>118,868.31</b>	
Access Systems Leasing	272.92	Copier Lease
Amazon Capital Business	571.94	Books
Marengo Library Petty Cash	50.40	Stamps
Quill	458.22	Toner/Janitorial/Coffee Café
S & J Sanitation	24.20	March 2023 Trash
Standard Pest Control	48.15	Bug Spraying
Swift True Value Home Center	86.95	Filters/Light Bulbs
TechImpact	294.00	IT Services
TK Elevator	191.13	Elevator Maintenance
US Cellular	374.28	Hotspots
USA Communications	61.39	Internet/Phones

<b>LIBRARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>2,433.58</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>152,792.40</b>	

**Claims Total - Payroll & EFT's**                      **\$ 121,301.89**

Re-issued Checks	\$ 598.36
Minus Re-issued Checks	<b>\$ 120,703.53</b>

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Adam Rabe, Mayor

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Attest: Karla Marck, City Administrator