

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF MARENGO**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
REGULAR MEETING  
Marengo Public Library  
October 25, 2023

**Call to Order** by Mayor Adam Rabe at 5:30 p.m. on October 25, 2023. Council Officials Present: Sue Peterson, Bill Kreis via phone, John Hinshaw, Travis Schlabach. Absent: None. Quorum declared by Rabe.

**Staff and Press Present:** Admin./Clerk Karla Marck; Deputy Clerk Allison Fry; 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, Rosi Disterhoft, Sari Hacker, Becky Schmuecker, Barb Roggentien, Barry Goettsch, Doug Kinzenbaw, Barb McMeen, Lou McMeen, Courtney A. Stubblefield, Robbie Probasco-Ford and Margaret Johnson.

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by Rabe.

**Approval of Agenda – October 25, 2023**

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

**Consent Agenda**

Approval of minutes from October 11, 2023 City Council Meeting. Approval of minutes from October 11, 2023 Special Sessions FY25 Budget Workshop. Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$177,039.87. Motion by Peterson to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Open Forum.** No comments.

**Old Business**

- a) **Resolution 24-25: Awarding bid for “2023 Marengo Pool Project” for the City of Marengo.** Motion by Schlabach to approve awarding Portzen Construction, Inc. the bid of \$4,390,000 for completion of the Marengo Aquatic Facility, plus Alternate No. 1 – Bathhouse Pergola, Complete; and Alternate No. 3 – Zipline/Rope Swing, Complete; and approve purchase of the project specified pool slide and play structure. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- b) **Consideration: Approving Proposed Staging Lease Agreement Between City of Marengo and Compass Memorial Hospital for Property Located at 1277 Franklyn Avenue, Marengo, IA.** Motion by Schlabach to approve the Hospital obtaining bids for the cost of demolition for the old pool and the City Council would revisit this Agreement in two weeks. No second. Motion failed due to lack of a second. Motion to approve as written by Hinshaw. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: Schlabach. Motion carried.
- c) **Consideration: Approving Three USDA Loan Resolutions (Form RD 1942-47) authorizing and providing for the incurrence of indebtedness for the improvements at Compass Memorial Hospital in an aggregate amount of \$24,154,000.** Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
- d) **Resolution #24-26: Acceptance of Bid for 2023 Debris Hauling and Disposal.** Motion by Hinshaw to approve Brian Miller Excavating's low bid. Second by Schlabach. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
- e) **Resolution #24-27: Acceptance of Bid for 2023 Lucas Street 6 in. Water Main Project.** Motion by Schlabach to approve Beaty Excavating's low bid. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
- f) **Resolution #24-28: Setting Public Hearing to Discuss Application for Water and Sewer Improvement Funds from the Iowa Economic Development Authority.** Motion by Schlabach to approve setting the Public Hearing and changing Resolution #24-38 to Resolution #24-28. Second by Peterson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Update Public Works – Director Lonnie Altenhofen**

For October 2023, Altenhofen reported daily rounds and labs; monthly testing and reports prepared; dual water main project has 3 blocks left; spot cleaned main lift sewer line at lagoon; cleaning lift station baskets; pulled bear creek lift pump for repair; raw water line flushed to the plant; 18 shutoffs; 79 locates; hydrant flushing this week; footings for new PW shop have been poured; some storm sewer jetting; mowing and trimming; prep for Fall Fest.

**Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports**

Attorney Kensler requested updated photos of C6Zero for opposing council.

**Mayor/Council/Committee Reports**

City Administrator Marck reported the City received applications for the PW maintenance worker position. Interviews were conducted and an offer is forthcoming.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Peterson. Second by Hinshaw to adjourn at 6:04 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Peterson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**City of Marengo Claims - 10/25/23**

<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Fund</b>	
General Fund	'001	14,990.34
Road Use Tax Fund	110	36,187.37
Debt Service Fund	200	300.00
Pool Renovations/Donations	312	1,007.97
Dual Main Project #2	337	66,080.36
Water Fund	600	23,464.36
Sewer Fund	610	5,978.43
Storm Sewer Fund	740	60.14
Total:		148,068.97

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
PAYROLL	\$ 28,766.63	10/13/2023
<b>EFT Payments</b>		
UMB Bank	300.00	2023-2023A PW Building
United Healthcare	14,066.93	October 2023 Health Insurance
<b>EFT TOTAL:</b>	<b>14,366.93</b>	
Aaron Cronbaugh	2,100.00	Mowing-Cemetery
Alliant Energy	9,953.72	Electric
Amazon Capital Business	126.32	Stop Sign/Fridge-PD
Brian Miller Excavating	50,759.00	Payment #2-Dual Main Project
Charles Capper Auto Center, Inc.	84.92	21 Chevy Service-PD
City of Marengo	10.00	Cash Drawer-CH
City of Marengo Petty Cash	108.46	October 2023 Petty Cash-PW/PD
Dakota Supply Group	8,851.36	Curb Box Extensions/Supplies-PW
Ferguson Waterworks	16,240.00	Meters-PW
Iowa County Recorder	34.00	Recording Fees-Cemetery
Iowa Peace Officers Association	120.00	FY24 Dues-PD
JEO Consulting Group	1,007.97	Marengo Pool Design
Jetco, Inc.	2,080.75	Sonicwall Issue-PW

Kruse Tree Trim & Construction	28,900.00	Tree Removal-PW
Larry Fiser (Fiser Construction)	6,470.00	Street Patches-Dual Main Project
Marco Technologies	177.02	Copier Lease
Marengo Post Office	566.00	October 2023 Postage-PW/CH
Masters Telecom	9.70	Voicemail-PD
Microbac Laboratories	31.00	Drinking Water Analysis-PW
On Target Ammunition	736.69	Ammo-PD
Quill	63.48	Payroll Paper/Keyboard/Mouse-CH
REC	42.31	Welcome Sign Electric
S&S Plumbing, Heating, & Air	132.04	Winterized Bathroom/Concession Stand-MRC
Spee Dee	22.33	Samples-PW
T & W Grinding	3,900.00	Aug-Oct 2023 Composting
Verizon Wireless	485.98	Sept 2023 Desk/Cell Phones
Windstream	317.74	Internet/Phones
WMPF Group, LLC	146.25	Minutes
WMPF Group, LLC	204.27	Re-issue Check
Workforce Solutions	225.00	Meeting
<b>CHECK TOTAL:</b>	<b>133,906.31</b>	
<b>LIBRARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>177,039.87</b>	

**Claims Total - Payroll & EFT's**                      **\$ 133,906.31**

**Re-issued Check**    **204.27**

**Claims Total - Payroll & EFT's**                      **133,702.04**

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Adam Rabe, Mayor

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Attest: Karla Marck, City Administrator