

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF MARENGO**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
REGULAR MEETING  
Marengo Council Chambers  
September 11, 2024

**Call to Order** by Councilman Schlabach at 6:00 p.m. on September 11, 2024. Council Officials Present: Karen Wayson-Kisling, John Hinshaw, Travis Schlabach. Absent: Mayor Adam Rabe, Bill Kreis, Jenni Olson. Quorum declared by Schlabach.

**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; Library Director Jackie Jordan; Managing Editor Winona Whitaker, Hometown Media. Absent: Attorney Gage Kensler

**Members of the Public Present:** Scott Hamlin

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by Schlabach.

**Approval of Agenda – September 11, 2024**

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

**Consent Agenda**

Approval of minutes from August 28, 2024, City Council Meeting. Approval of Liquor License of Simmons McLaughlin Group LLC, dba Lizzie's Dining Car and Caboose Bar. Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$90,358.96. August 2024 Revenue Totaling \$324,988.83. August 2024 Major Operating Departments Finance Reports. August 2024 Finance Expenditures & Revenue Report. IPAIT Report. Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw; Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**Open Forum.** No comments

**Old Business**

a) **Public Hearing & First Reading ORD #536: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 55 – Animal Protection and Control – Dangerous Animals.** Public Hearing opened at 6:01 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:02 p.m. Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

b) **Public Hearing & First Reading ORD #537: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 4 – Scheduled Fines – Dangerous Animals.** Public Hearing opened at 6:03 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:04 p.m. Motion by Wayson-Kisling to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

c) **Public Hearing: Regarding the sale of the Marengo Public Works woodchipper; a lot of water main and service line fittings; and a lot of sewer and storm water pipe fittings, a hydraulic rock spreader; and a hydraulic jack hammer.** Open Public Hearing at 6:04 p.m. Purple Wave will put up for bid everything but the sewer and storm water pipe fittings. No public objections. Public Hearing closed at 6:05 p.m. No action taken.

d) **Resolution #25-29: Authorizing Street Closure for 2024 IV Homecoming Parade.** Motion by Wayson-Kisling to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**New Business**

a) **Resolution #25-30: Acceptance of Bid for Public Works Buildings Demolition and Removal.** Motion by Wayson-Kisling to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

b) **Resolution #25-31: Approving Pay Application #2 for May Street Improvements.** Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Update Public Safety – Chief Ben Gray**

For August 2024, Gray reported 17 incidents, 5 arrests, 14 citations, 51 warnings, 6 parking tickets, with a total of 48 outstanding parking tickets. 276 calls for service. A total of 42 properties have had nuisance notices posted, 20 have been abated. The City has mowed 27 properties. Gray reported the Marengo PD staff provided security for Sen. Joni Ernst's visit, held National Night Out on August 6, held training session with Marengo Fire regarding active shooter response, attended meeting with county schools and Crisis-Go application. Officer Mason Eldridge has started work with the department. Rachel Jones has been hired as the new mental health liaison.

**Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports.** No reports.

**Mayor/Council/Committee Reports.** No reports.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Kisling. Second by Hinshaw to adjourn at 6:22 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**City of Marengo Claims -9.11.24**

Fund Name	Fund	
General Fund	001	19,172.36
General Fund Capital Exp	002	20,719.24

Police Equip/Bldg Fund	006	750.00
BAHR-Library Gifts & Memorials	033	300.00
Road Use Tax Fund	110	4,859.98
Pool-May Street/Court Water Main	342	29.00
Water Fund	600	11,233.06
Water Deposit Fund	605	80.27
Sewer Fund	610	<u>6,183.40</u>
Total:		63,327.31

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
PAYROLL	<b>27,031.65</b>	8.30.24
<b>EFT Payments</b>		
Grinnell State Bank	74.07	August 2024 Bank Fees
Iowa Department of Revenue	3,667.26	August 2024 Sales/Water Tax
Metlife	1,273.23	September 2024 Insurance
Wellmark	12,385.86	September 2024 Insurance
<b>EFT TOTAL:</b>	<b>17,400.42</b>	
911	750.00	Vest-PD
Aaron Cronbaugh Lawncare	4,200.00	August 2024 Mowing-Cemetery
Amazon Capital Business	29.00	Pepper Spray-PD
Astra Security	65.00	September 2024 Fee-CH/PW/PD/Park
Big G Foods	142.80	August 2024 Supplies-PD/PW/CH/MRC
BP	832.48	August 2024 Fuel/Diesel-PD/PW/FD
Cale Koenig	53.85	Water Deposit Refund
Cameron Repair LLC	163.78	Vac Truck Cabin Air Spring-PW
Carquest	160.96	August 2024 Supplies-PW
Casey General Store	327.82	August 2024 Fuel-PD
Coast to Coast Solutions	400.95	Stickers-PD
Custom Hose	280.76	Hose-PW
Dakota Supply Group	240.00	Meter Spuds-PW
Eurofins Environment Testing	627.84	Weekly Wastewater-PW
Federal Signal Corporation	9,103.49	Siren Repair/Upgrade
Ferguson Waterworks	4,579.58	Meter/Meter Heads-PW
Galls, LLC	584.43	Uniforms-PD
Goodwill Industries of the Heartland	195.00	August 2024 Janitorial Services-CH
Iowa One Call	86.40	One Calls-PW
Iowa Peace Officers Association	125.00	2024-2025 Dues-PD
Iowa State Police Association	50.00	M.Eldridge Dues-PD
iPrint Technologies	404.00	Ink-PD
Karl Emerency Vehicles	340.00	Labor-Finish Build-PD
Kinzenbaw Earthmoving	223.02	Hauled Rock-PW
Lizzie's Dining Car & Caboose Bar	178.75	Liquor License Refund
Marco Technologies	4,594.75	Computer Upgrade

Marengo Farm & Home	7,371.74	August 2024 Supplies-PW/PD/Park
Masters Telecom	9.25	Voicemail-PD
Microbac	184.00	Drinking Water Analysis-PW
Racom Corporation	203.27	Body Cameras-PD
Roggentien Electric	175.15	August 2024 Maintenance-PW
S&J Sanitation	197.50	August 2024 Trash/Dumpster
Sharon & David Kremenak	26.42	Water Deposit Refund
Standard Pest Control	45.00	Bug Spraying-PD/CH/FD
State Hygienic Laboratory	29.00	Water Testing-PW
Stratton Benscoter (Whitey's)	1,882.96	August 2024 Fuel/Tires-PW/PD
Swift True Value Home Center	2,009.11	August 2024 Supplies-MRC/PW/Park/PD/FD
TruGreen	314.00	Spray-Park
USA Communications	85.96	Internet/Phones-PW
VISA	1,155.45	August 2024 Charges-PD/PW
Williamsburg Recreation Center	750.00	Football League-MRC
Windstream	19.00	Internet/Phones
WMPF Group, LLC	653.17	Publications
<b>CHECK TOTAL:</b>	<b>43,850.64</b>	
Access Systems Leasing	466.45	Copier Lease
Amazon Capital Business	1,308.89	August 2024 Supplies
US Cellular	274.30	Hotspots
USA Communications	26.61	Fax Lines
<b>LIBRARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>2,076.25</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$90,358.96</b>	

**Claims Total - Payroll & EFT's                      \$ 63,327.31**

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Travis Schlabach, Councilperson

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Attest: Karla Marck, City Administrator