

MINUTES
CITY OF MARENGO
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Marengo Council Chambers
September 25, 2024

Call to Order by Mayor Rabe at 6:00 p.m. on September 25, 2024. Council Officials Present: Karen Wayson-Kisling, Bill Kreis, John Hinshaw, Travis Schlabach, Jenni Olson via phone. 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; Library Director Jackie Jordan; Attorney Gage Kensler; Managing Editor Winona Whitaker, Hometown Media. Absent: None.

Members of the Public Present: Tony Hocamp; Scott Hamlin

Pledge of Allegiance led by Rabe.

Approval of Agenda – September 25, 2024

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

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes from September 11, 2024, City Council Meeting. Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$261,580.11. Approval of Liquor License of Simmons McLaughlin Group LLC, dba Lizzie's Dining Car and Caboose Bar. Approval of Liquor License for Traveling Tapster LLC. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw; Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Open Forum. Tony Hocamp spoke to the Council asking for consideration to make a portion of West Cherry no parking.

Old Business

- a) **Public Hearing & Second 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 6:09 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:14 p.m. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- b) **Public Hearing & Second Reading ORD #537: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter 4 – Scheduled Fines – Dangerous Animals.** Public Hearing opened at 6:15 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:15 p.m. Motion by Wayson-Kisling to approve. Second by Olson. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c) **Resolution #25-32: Approving Pay Application #10 2023 Marengo Pool Projects.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- d) **Consideration: Schedule for Cementing May Street.** The council discussed whether there was time to finish the project before winter and decided there was not time. No action taken.
- e) **Discussion: FY26 General Fund Budget and Proposed Wages.** Discussion by Council. No action taken.

New Business

- a) **Resolution #25-33: Street Closures for MarenGO Community Development Fall Festival Activities; October 19, 2024.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- b) **Consideration: Compass Memorial Healthcare Foundation Holiday Tree of Lights to be Held in Marengo City Park.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- c) **Consideration: Installation of Speed Feedback Signs at IA 212 East Bound and US 6 West Bound.** A state grant is available at no cost to the city for speed feedback signs. Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- d) **Consideration: 28 E Agreement for Tornado Siren Maintenance.** Motion by Schlabach to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Update Public Works – Director Lonnie Altenhofen

For September 2024, Altenhofen reported 11 shut offs for non-payment. Working on Marion & Howard dual water mains/service transfers. High ammonia levels killed bacteria in lagoons; more bacteria have been added. Building demolition will begin in the next 2 weeks depending on pool progress, 36 locates, Tree RFP is due October 4, Court & May should be open Wednesday next week, mowed /trimmed 7 properties, pool concrete replaced. Continuing to compile information for Lead and Copper Surveys.

Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports. Attorney Kensler reported the dog bite case is on appeal, the City brief has been filed. Marck reported cleaning services contract with Goodwill is being terminated.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports. No reports.

Adjournment

Motion by Schlabach. Second by Wayson-Kisling to adjourn at 7:01 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Olson, Kreis, Hinshaw, Schlabach. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

City of Marengo Claims -9.25.24

Fund Name	Fund	
General Fund	001	10,333.92
Road Use Tax Fund	110	6,545.86
Pool Renovation/Donations	312	6,741.00
Wastewater Treatment Plant	328	9,200.00
Public Works Building	338	2,000.00
Pool-May Street/Court Water Main	342	188,142.54
Water Fund	600	3,614.67
Sewer Fund	610	6,233.15
Storm Sewer Fund	740	<u>478.82</u>
	Total:	233,289.96

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
PAYROLL	\$28,290.15	9.13.24
EFT Payments		
Grinnell State Bank	29.05	NSF Fees-Fitzpatrick/Miller/Kearns
EFT TOTAL:	29.05	
Alliant Energy	19,005.22	Electric
Amazon Capital Business	874.27	Rugs/Key Chains/Stool/Sign/Blinds-CH/PD/PW
BSN Sports	274.75	Soccer Balls-MRC
City of Marengo	5.00	Cash Drawer
City of Marengo Petty Cash	87.22	September 2024 Petty Cash-CH/PD/PW
Coast to Coast	368.32	Calendars-PD
Dakota Supply Group	785.00	Gate Valve-May St. Improvements
Dave Schmitt Construction	185,719.82	Pay Estimate #2-May St. Improvements
Design Dynamics, Inc.	2,000.00	Salt Shed Drawings-PW Building
Gabe's Gun Shop	75.00	Glock Magazines x3-PD
Galls, LLC	338.35	Expandable Baton-PD
High Performance Patch	994.00	Street Signs-PW
Iowa One Call	95.40	One Calls-PW
JEO Consulting Group	6,180.00	Marengo Pool Design-Pool
Knox Company	561.00	Key Box-Pool
Kollmorgen, Schlue, & Zahradnik, PC	755.00	September 2024 Legal
Lower Overhead Doors	1,896.83	Overhead Door Damage-FD
Marco Technologies	203.01	Copier Lease-CH
Marengo Firefighters Assn	90.00	Fire Calls-FD
Marengo Post Office	573.00	September 2024 Postage-PW/CH
REC	42.62	Welcome Sign Electric
River Products Company, Inc.	346.37	Rock-PW

