

MINUTES
CITY OF MARENGO
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Marengo Council Chambers
May 22, 2024

Call to Order by Mayor Adam Rabe at 6:00 p.m. on May 22, 2024. Council Officials Present: Karen Wayson-Kisling, Bill Kreis, John Hinshaw. Absent: Jenni Olson, Travis Schlabach. Quorum declared by Rabe.

Staff and Press Present: Admin./Clerk Karla Marck; 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: Deputy Clerk Allison Fry.

Members of the Public Present: Scott Hamlin; Jim Peterson; John Moore, Nathan Alardin; Dylan Pritchard; Ryan Miller.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Rabe.

Approval of Agenda – May 22, 2024

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

Consent Agenda

Approval of minutes from May 8, 2024, City Council Meeting. Claims, checks and direct withdrawals totaling \$492,391.27.

Approval of Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Sales for Express Stop Inc. dba BP Express Stop. Approval of

Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Sales for Prime Star. Approval of Application for

Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Sales for Casey's. Approval of Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Sales for Big G

Food Store, Inc. Approval of Application for Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Sales for Ambie's Bar. Approval of Liquor License

Application H&H Apothecaries L.L.C. dba Cornerstone Apothecary Marengo. Motion by Wayson-Kisling to approve. Second by

Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

SWEARING IN: Reserve Officer Ryan Miller

Open Forum. Alardin addressed council regarding recent incidents involving local law enforcement.

Old Business

a) **Consideration: Retail Sale of Exotic Snakes within City Boundaries, Dylan Pritchard**

Pritchard requested council consideration to remove city's ordinance banning sale and possession of boa constructors. Council requested to begin procedures to change ordinance.

b) **Resolution #24-87: Acceptance of Bid for May Street Improvement Project**

Altenhofen reported Dave Schmitt Construction submitted the lowest bid of \$485,895.45 and recommended acceptance. Motion

by Hinshaw to approve resolution accepting bid with amount not to exceed changed from \$485,398.45 to \$485,895.45. Second

by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

c) **Public Hearing & Second 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 6:32 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed

at 6:33p.m. Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

d) **Public Hearing & Second Reading ORD #530: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter**

92 – Water Rates. Public Hearing opened at 6:33p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:33 p.m. Motion by

Wayson-Kisling to approve. Second by Hinshaw. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: None. Motion

carried.

e) **Public Hearing & Second Reading ORD #531: Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marengo, Iowa, Chapter**

99 – Sewer Services Charges. Public Hearing opened at 6:34 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:34 p.m.

Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays:

None. Motion carried.

f) **Resolution #24-88: Approving Change Order No. #3 2023 Marengo Pool Project**

Marck stated additional discussions regarding lawn and seeding occurred at the May 22 Pool Construction meeting, so potential

for additional change order involving aquatics center lawn. Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Kreis. Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: None. Motion carried.

g) **Resolution #24-89: Approving Change order No. #2 2023 Marengo Public Works Building Project**

Motion by Hinshaw to approve. Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis,

Hinshaw. Nays: None. Motion carried.

h) **Consideration: Lafayette Parking on East Side Only; Alley South to Main Street**

Due to the increase in traffic, Marck requested council consider city employee recommendations for Lafayette Avenue parking

and traffic flow between W. May and W. Main. Peterson expressed concerns regarding parking access for residents. Motion by

Wayson-Kisling to begin procedures to change parking ordinance. Second by Hinshaw. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Hinshaw.

Nays: None. Abstain: Kreis. Motion carried.

i) **Public Hearing Resolution #24-86: Approving FY24 Budget Amendments**

Public Hearing opened at 7:06 p.m. No public comments. Public Hearing closed at 7:07 p.m. Motion by Hinshaw to approve.

Second by Wayson-Kisling. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: None. Motion carried.

New Business

a) **Consideration: Stop Sign at Franklyn and Marion Street Intersection**

Due to parking on the south side of new county engineering building, Gray recommended 4-way stop due to inadequate line of

sight from corner. Council requested to begin procedures to change 4-way stop ordinance.

Update Public Works – Director Lonnie Altenhofen

Altenhofen reported public works has begun move to industrial park. Pool progressing; to begin painting as weather permits. Dug ditch to support additional drainage for new Legion parking. Jetted storm drains. Water towers were cleaned. Prepping for bug spraying.

Update Library – Director Jackie Jordan

Jordan reported received costs for broken window replacement, working with insurance. Also reported issues with heating and cooling system.

Attorney/ Financial Manager/Administrator Reports

Attorney Gage Kensler reported he conducted additional research on Marengo and Amana Library agreements, no 28E agreement was found. State library recommends county supervisors to enter into a direct agreement with the Amana library. O’Rourke reported public works computers etc. installed; working on pre-implementation for utility billing software. Marck indicated received request from pickleball league to tape pickleball lines on tennis court.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Rabe reported public AED approved for Marengo; city will need to obtain costs for providing outlet.

Adjournment

Motion by Wayson-Kisling. Second by Hinshaw to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Vote. Ayes: Wayson-Kisling, Kreis, Hinshaw. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

City of Marengo Claims - 5.22.24

Fund Name	Fund	
General Fund	001	15,305.69
C6Zero Fund	013	270.00
Road Use Tax Fund	110	3,876.50
Pool Renovation/Donations	312	431,447.25
May & Franklyn Storm Box	343	3,354.41
Water Fund	600	7,799.99
Water Deposit Fund	605	83.88
Sewer Fund	610	3,454.66
	Total:	465,592.38

Pavce	Amount	Description
PAYROLL	1,179.60	5/3/24 Special Pay
PAYROLL	25,619.29	5/10/2024
EFT Payments		
Iowa Department of Revenue	3,322.27	April 2024 Sales/Water Tax
Wellmark BCBS	11,503.49	May 2024 Insurance Benefits
Metlife	1,224.88	May 2024 Metlife Benefits
EFT TOTAL:	16,050.64	
Alliant Energy	626.72	Electric
Amazon Capital Services	18.34	Labels-Cleanup Days
Ampride	176.07	April 2024 Fuel-PD
BP	931.19	April 2024 Fuel-PD/PW/FD
Compass Memorial Healthcare	745.90	H. Jepson Dog Bite-PD
Dakota Supply Group	135.60	Locating Paint-PW
Ever-Green Landscape Construction Supply	2,180.00	Mulch-Park
Galls	134.91	Duty Belt/Boots-PD
Heartland COOP	257.80	Spray for Fields-MRC

Iowa Law Enforcement Academy	150.00	H.Morrell MMPI Evaluation-PD
Jetco, Inc.	905.25	Tank Maintenance-PW
Kollmorgen, Schlue, & Zahradnik, P.C.	1,660.00	April 2024 Legal
Marco Technologies	179.60	Copier Lease-CH
MarenGO	2,000.00	2024 Fireworks
Marengo Firefighters Assn	195.00	Fire Call-FD
Marengo Post Office	742.00	May 2024 Postage-CH/PW
Mike Wehrle	83.88	Water Deposit Refund
Portzen Construction, Inc.	431,447.25	Payment #6-Pool
Quill	86.82	Binders/Paper/Pad/Calendar-CH/PD
Racom	441.00	Pagers-FD
River Products Company	812.41	Rock-PW
Schimberg Co.	3,354.41	Pipe/Storm Lid-PW
Standard Pest Control	45.00	Bug Spraying-CH/PD/FD
TruGreen Commercial	704.00	Spray Parks & Fields-Parks/MRC
USA BlueBook	111.23	Pump Tube-PW
Verizon Wireless	613.90	April 2024 Desk/Cell Phones
Visa	65.74	April/May 2024 Charges/Fees-PD/PW
Windstream	318.48	Internet/Phones
WMPF Group, LLC	419.24	April 2024 Publications
CHECK TOTAL:	449,541.74	
LIBRARY TOTAL:	0.00	
GRAND TOTAL:	492,391.27	

Claims Total - Payroll & EFT's

\$ 449,541.74

Adam Rabe, Mayor

Attest: Karla Marck, City Administrator