

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARCELINE CITY COUNCIL**  
**February 15, 2022**

The Marceline City Council met in regular session on February 15, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of Marceline City Hall, Mayor Jeri Holt presiding. Council members present were Sallie Buck, Gary Carlson and Tracy Carlson. Councilwoman Lacey Meissen was absent. Staff attending: City Attorney Robert Cowherd, City Manager Richard Hoon, City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman, Police Chief Bob Donelson, and Pool Manager Gary Birdsong. Others Present: Dave Tavres, and Angie Talken, Reporter.

Mayor Jeri Holt led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES, AND FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Councilwoman Buck moved to approve the minutes. Councilman T. Carlson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Councilwoman Buck moved to approve the financials and Councilman T. Carlson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**REPORTS OF COUNCIL, OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:**

City Clerk Update: City Clerk Krumpelman informed the Council the auditors will be at City Hall on March 2<sup>nd</sup> to begin their onsite audit work. She reported staff is working on bid documents to move forward with the LWCF project. She reported they held the first official safety meeting following our first evaluation with MIRMA. City Clerk Krumpelman reported staff will begin working on scheduling Sales Tax information meetings shortly. City Clerk Krumpelman informed the Council, they received Katie Ramirez's resignation from the Recreation and Park Board effective March 11<sup>th</sup>. She concluded stating she is still working on record retention and state grants.

City Manager Update: City Manager Hoon informed the Council he has completed the Electrical rough-in inspection for Dollar General and the only inspection left is the final inspection. He stated it is expected to be completed by early next week with the expectation for the new Dollar General to open in March. City Manager Hoon reported that three (3) of the four (4) generators did not run to specifications and repairs are needed. He stated we need to start thinking about replacing the Enterprise and Cleveland engines due to their age. City Manager Hoon informed the Council they are finalizing the job description for the Water / Wastewater Superintendent position. City Manager Hoon reported he was assigned as the representative to Green Hills Regional Planning Commission Agency and TAC Committee to replace Darrell Gardner. He informed the Council the paving of Hwy 5 is scheduled for 2023. City Manager Hoon stated he attended the demonstration of Eagle View which is GIS mapping at the County which will cost approximately \$55,000.00-\$60,000.00 to be split among the users to include the County, E911, Ambulance District and cities. City Manager Hoon informed the Council the budget is getting hit hard due to rising costs, especially the Electric Department's budget. He confirmed the substations' squirrel incidents are being submitted to insurance. He concluded stating that a new electric transmission line and substation made be needed for the NG project.

Council Update: Councilman G. Carlson inquired about what was going into the former Marceline Mercantile store. City Manager Hoon responded a travel agency was moving into that building with tentative plans for a retail space in the front. Councilman G. Carlson inquired about the payments from Rural Water. City Clerk Krumpelman confirmed both payments were received.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:** Bob Donelson stated he was a member of the Fr. McCartan Memorial School Dinner Theater cast and encouraged everyone to attend the shows that are on February 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> and the first weekend of March.

Dave Tavres reported he sent out 50 letters seeking support for the Amtrak stop and has received eight (8) back. He stated that an Amtrak representative has also reached out to him about the project.

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**

Airport Board: City Clerk Krumpelman reported Martin (Marty) Cupp stated he would like to be reappointed, but has not submitted his application yet, but is expected to this evening. Mayor Holt reappointed Martin Cupp to the Airport Board for a four (4) year term contingent on receiving his application.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Parks Work Cooperative Agreement – Bill No. 35-2203: City Manager Hoon stated the Council has approved of the project, they just need to approve the Bill authorizing the Mayor to sign the cooperative agreement to allow Parks Work to build the skate park on City property. He stated this is very similar to what was done for the painting of the train this past fall. There was discussion on the agreement. Councilwoman Buck moved that Bill No. 35-2203 authorizing the Mayor to enter into a cooperative agreement with Parks Work for the purpose of constructing a skate park in Walt Disney Park be read twice by title only. Councilman T. Carlson seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2203 twice by title only. Councilwoman Buck moved that Bill No. 35-2203 be passed. Councilman T. Carlson seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilwoman Buck – aye, Councilman T. Carlson – aye, Mayor Holt – aye, and Councilman G. Carlson. This Bill was assigned Ordinance Number 35.2202.

SHPO Certified Local Government Agreement – Bill No. 35-2204: City Manager Hoon stated the Historic Preservation Board and the City were encouraged by the State to apply to be a Certified Local Government (CLG) which allows us to possibly apply for more specific grants. He stated if the Council agrees to sign, it will go to the State for approval and then on to the Federal level for their approval. Councilman T. Carlson moved that Bill No. 35-2204 authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Local Government Certification Agreement between the City of Marceline and the Missouri State Historic Preservation Officer (Missouri Department of Natural Resources) be read twice by title only. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2204 twice by title only. Councilman T. Carlson moved that Bill No. 35-2204 be passed. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman T. Carlson – aye, Councilwoman Buck – aye, Councilman G. Carlson – aye, and Mayor Holt. This Bill was assigned Ordinance Number 35.2203.

ARPA Discussion: City Manager Hoon stated the final rule from the Treasury is out and each organization seems to have a different interpretation on how the funds can be expended. He stated he prefers the City take a more literal approach to how the funds are expended. He stated MO Department of Economic Development received funds as well that will be available for the City to apply. City Attorney Cowherd explained how the Revenue Loss Rule would apply for the City since the City's budget is under \$10 million. City Attorney Cowherd stated the premium pay option to be presented to the Council would not be allowed since the State of Missouri does not allow for back pay. City Manager Hoon went over the other considerations. Council members discussed the MOSWIN Radio consideration for the police and fire departments. The City has applied for funds from Linn County to purchase those, but it is unknown at this time if it will be approved. Council requested a refresh of the MOSWIN bid to be brought back in March for consideration.

Liberty Utilities Proposal: City Manager opened the discussion stating the Council has three (3) choices on how to proceed: (1) Council provide a consensus the City IS NOT interested in pursuing the proposal, (2), provide a consensus the City IS interested in pursuing the proposal and direct staff to begin the process, or (3) table the issue until after the election and let the new sitting Council decide. Councilwoman Buck inquired how the affected department employees feel about it. City Manager Hoon stated there is no strong opinions either way. Mayor Holt expressed that he does not feel good about it. Councilman G. Carlson expressed his concerns of losing local control. Councilman T. Carlson expressed he felt if the City did move forward we would regret it in the future and has concerns about the customer service level. After further discussion the Council provided a consensus the City IS NOT interested in exploring the proposal further.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Pool Painting Bids: City Manager Hoon reported they received two (2) bids for pool painting, one from Titan Aquatics located in Kansas City for \$28,601.25 with a one (1) year warranty and the other from Ashley's Finest Painting Services located in Marceline, MO for \$7,025.00 with a five (5) year warranty. City Manager Hoon

stated Ashley's Finest Painting was the one who painted the trains. There was discussion on the bids received. Councilman G. Carlson inquired about sandblasting. Pool Manager Birdsong stated that was not part of the bid requirements as usually that only needs to be done after four (4) or five (5) paintings. Councilman T. Carlson moved to accept and approve the bids from Ashley's Finest Painting Services in the amount of \$7,025.00. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman T. Carlson – aye, Councilman G. Carlson – aye, Councilwoman Buck – aye, and Mayor Holt – aye.

Parks Work Request: City Manager Hoon stated Parks Work is requesting permission to apply for a State Farm Grant to rehab the current basketball court in Walt Disney Park into a ½ basketball court ½ pickleball court. City Clerk Krumpelman reported that if the Council approves the request and they receive the grant, the City will still have to get permission from State Parks to move forward since its located in a LWCF designated park. The Council discussed the request and the likelihood of use of a pickleball court. Councilman G. Carlson moved to approve the request from Parks Work to apply for a State Farm Grant to rehab the current basketball court in Walt Disney Park into a ½ basketball court ½ pickleball court. Councilman T. Carlson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Purchasing Policy Discussion: City Clerk Krumpelman stated that with rising costs, the City Manager's current purchasing power under the current policy is less than it was five (5) years ago. She stated staff is requesting Council consider increasing the City Manager's purchasing approval level to \$15,000.00 or \$20,000.00. She stated other Cities such as Perryville has done this and the current level requiring sealed bids for state grants is \$25,000.00. City Manager Hoon went over other considerations for updating the Purchasing policy such as adding a local bidder rule allowing the Council to select the local bidder if they are not low bid as long as they are within a certain percentage and adding an exception to bid procedure for the sale of scrap materials, among others. Council discussed the topic and provided a consensus to move forward with amending the Purchasing policy and to increase the informal purchasing level (City Manager purchasing approval) to \$20,000.00.

At 7:16 pm Councilman T. Carlson moved to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Paragraph (3) Personnel and Paragraph (12) Contracts. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman T. Carlson – aye, Councilwoman Buck – aye, Councilman G. Carlson – aye, and Mayor Holt – aye.

### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:**

City Manager Agreement – Bill No. 35-2005: Upon returning from Executive Session at 8:20 pm, Councilman T. Carlson moved that Bill No. 35-2205 authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement between Richard Hoon and the City of Marceline, Missouri for the purpose or employing Richard Hoon as City Manager be read twice by title only. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2205 twice by title only. Councilman T. Carlson moved that Bill No. 35-2205 be passed. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman T. Carlson – aye, Councilwoman Buck – aye, Councilman G. Carlson – aye, and Mayor Holt. This Bill was assigned Ordinance Number 35.2204.

with no further business, Councilman T. Carlson moved to adjourn. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.

Recorded by City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman.  
Approved by Marceline City Council on March 15, 2022