

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MARCELINE CITY COUNCIL
July 10, 2020

The Marceline City Council met in special session on July 10, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Mayor Sallie Buck presiding. Council members present were Tyson Brammer, Jeri Holt, Lacey Meissen, and Gary Carlson. Staff attending: City Manager Richard Hoon, City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman, Street Superintendent Ed Ewigman, Electric Superintendent Dean Gauthier, and Pool Manager Gary Birdsong. Others Present: none.

Mayor Sallie Buck led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

BUDGET WORK SESSION: City Manager Hoon opened the discussion with the Auditor's recommendation to address the General Fund's negative balance moving forward. City Clerk Krumpelman provided a budget history to the Council, reporting for the last few years the focus was ensuring the total overall budget was in the positive and not focusing on the individual funds, but with the Auditor's recommendation the focus needs to be on the individual funds. The Council and staff discussed different options to consider when preparing the FY 2020-2021 budget. There was discussion of possibly seeking outside guidance during the next fiscal year on how to move forward in the coming years. Council provided a consensus to move forward with budget preparation as normal, and during the work sessions work through the options discussed and any new options presented, but to only fill one (1) of the soon to be two (2) open positions on the police department at this time. City Clerk Krumpelman inquired about which financials the Council wished to receive monthly. Council responded the budget breakdown sheets with additional summary pages and bank account report to be received via paper while the monthly financial statement and balance sheet may be emailed when completed. The Council provided consensus to explore moving to a paperless agenda option for the upcoming fiscal year.

At 1:50 pm Councilman Holt moved to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Paragraph (3) Personnel, seconded by Councilwoman Meissen. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman Holt – aye, Councilwoman Meissen – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, Councilman Brammer – aye, and Mayor Buck – aye.

Council returned to open session at 2:07 pm.

R&P BOARD DISCUSSION: Mayor Buck opened the discussion sighting concerns of how the current ordinance of the Recreation and Park Board allows for confusion of how the Board should function at times as an entity of the City. The Council discussed the topic citing the need for more clearly defined roles and responsibilities outlined in the governing ordinance. The Council discussed whether the Board should be converted to a Recreation-only Board as that seems to be the focus of the current Board and the City has a Parks and Recreation director and handles the majority of items concerning the parks. Councilman Holt left the meeting at 2:40 pm. The Council provided a consensus to move forward with the preparation of a Bill to provide more detail of the expected roles, responsibilities, and authority as expressed to staff by the Council as a Recreation-only Board, but with keeping the current board members. Once a draft bill is prepared the Recreation and Park Board will be invited to attend the Council meeting to discuss before approval of the Bill into Ordinance Form. It is the consensus of the Council that they like the effort and heart of the current Board, but the roles and responsibilities need to be more defined and not so ambiguous.

With no further business, Councilman Brammer moved to adjourn. Councilwoman Meissen seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:48 pm.

Recorded by City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman
Approved on July 21, 2020 by Marceline City Council.