

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARCELINE CITY COUNCIL**  
**August 18, 2015**

The Marceline City Council met in regular session on August 18, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Mayor Josh Shoemaker presiding. Council members present were: Jeri Holt, John Carver, Tyson Brammer and Sallie Buck. Staff attending: City Manager Richard Hoon, City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman, City Attorney Jeff Elson, Street Superintendent Ed Ewigman, Electric Superintendent Dean Gauthier, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Kevin Wiggins, and Police Chief Bob Donelson. Also in attendance were: Cathi Black, Markos Black, Bob Stuart, Dennis VanDyke, Ann Elliot, Janiece Linneman, Samantha Linneman, Joyce Robinson, Linda Linebaugh, Reporter Tom Hauser, and Reporter Chris Houston.

Mayor Josh Shoemaker led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Shoemaker.

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

Councilman Carver moved to the minutes and the financials stand approved. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

City Department Updates: Water and Wastewater Superintendent Kevin Wiggins reported that Missouri Department of Natural Resources were at the plant last week conducting the AWOP study. He reported the final report should be received in thirty days. He informed the Council his department had worked on a big leak on Santa Fe Ave in front of the school.

Electric Superintendent Dean Gauthier informed the assembly his department has been busy with tree trimming as the public is calling in more often. He reported the road crossing lights by the school are installed, but still need to be programmed. Superintendent Gauthier stated the Ritchie Street project is complete as is the Hurtt Fabricating project. He reported that they have spoken with Bob Harbour and will be meeting with Ameren concerning the second feed. He concluded by stating the second transformer is ready for shipping

Street Superintendent Ed Ewigman reported that he and Administrative Clerk Kasey Milliron completed a webinar to set up the cemetery GIS software program. He informed the assembly the infield material for the ballfields has been applied, but still needs to be worked into the soil, but will be a great asset. Superintendent Ewigman reported his department has attempted to install the drain at the Ripley Park Pond and are half done. The street paving on Santa Fe and E911 parking lot is complete, except for the stripping and marking. He concluded by stating the swimming pool is drained.

Police Chief Bob Donelson reported his department has been steady. He informed the assembly the department has taken delivery on the new car and about fifty percent of the new parts are in. He reported that the lettering on the public safety building has been falling off and the police department and fire department have split the cost for the new sign. Chief Donelson reported that four officers have attended rural area drug training. He concluded by stating that his department is studying the areas of concern for traffic issues.

City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman reported that the administrative staff has been cross-trained on her basic duties so they will be covered while on maternity leave. She reported the insurance RFP was sent out and the sealed proposals would be opened in closed session. She concluded by stating the staff would be having their first budget meeting the following week.

City Manager Richard Hoon reported the Council has signed an agreement with Carrothers Construction, who is partnered with Larkin Aquatics for the pool project. He went over the meeting schedule with the assembly, reporting that the next meeting with them will be on Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. City Manager Hoon informed the assembly on the installation of the flashing lights in front of the school. He reminded the assembly that school begins this week and urged the public to be extra careful. City Manager Hoon reported on the VA Home initiative, stating that we have not let the lack of support from Munslinger's office to deter us from our focus. Representative Tim Remole is working with other legislators to fully support us to make this a reality. He reported that thirteen resolutions have been received and more are on the way. Once the City has received them all, the City will send copies to all the legislators on the mailing list along with the

governor and those on the Veteran's Commission. City Manager Hoon informed the assembly the work on the Ripley Park Pond is in full swing as is the utility rate study. The first phase of the utility rate study, data collection, is ongoing. He concluded by stating that Daniel Yarnell from Toby's Amusement will be helping us repaint the three animal pieces of the playground equipment in Disney Park.

Mayor Shoemaker and the Council discussed the sewer collapse issue, with Mayor Shoemaker stating that legally the only thing the City can do is apologize, once MOPERM makes their decision. Superintendent Wiggins reported that the City has not received an official notice of their conclusions.

#### **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:**

Mayor Shoemaker informed the assembly that there are two openings on the Library Board, due to the passing of Mary Jane Artz and the resignation of Joyce Long due to her moving out of the area. City Clerk Krumpelman reported that the City has two applications for the Library Board, Emmalee Ellington and Eloise Gosch. After a short discussion with the Council, Mayor Shoemaker appointed Eloise Gosch to the unexpired three year term and Emmalee Ellington to the unexpired one year term.

#### **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

Linda Linebaugh voiced her concerns of how the pool project would affect the senior citizens in the City. Mayor Shoemaker responded that the Council is being fiscally responsible toward the pool project. Councilwoman Buck stated that the residents will vote how they desire and how the vote comes out is what the decision will be. There was some discussion on the topic.

Joyce Robinson inquired if a stop light could be put in at the Gracia and Hwy 5 intersection due to the traffic back-up. Councilman Holt informed her that Hwy 5 is a MODOT highway so that would fall in their jurisdiction. Joyce Robinson inquired if the police department would be putting "In God We Trust" decals on their vehicles like other local departments. Chief Donelson responded that he was aware of that.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Aquatic Center-Ballot Language: City Clerk Krumpelman read the ballot language for the assembly. Mayor Shoemaker stated the Council wanted it to be clear it is specifically for the pool. There was some discussion on the issue. Councilman Carver moved to introduce Bill No. 15-07.019 for the first reading. Councilman Brammer seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Attorney Jeff Elson read the bill by title only. Councilman Carver moved that Bill No. 15-07.019 be read for a second and final time by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brammer. The motion carried. City Attorney Elson read the bill a second time by title only. Councilman Carver moved Bill No. 15-07.019 be approved. Councilman Brammer seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Mayor Shoemaker – yes, Councilman Holt – yes, Councilman Brammer – yes, Councilwoman Buck – yes, and Councilman Carver – yes. This bill was assigned Ordinance Number 15-08.22.

Trailer Grant: City Manager Richard Hoon provided background on the trailer grant that the Walsworth Community Center requested the City sign. He reported that the City received the grant paperwork and there are many administration requirements that were unknown earlier. He stated the City could ask the Walsworth Community Center to complete those requirements, but if they failed to do so, the City would be on the hook for it. There was discussion among the Council and Dennis VanDyke of the Walsworth Community Center about the issue with different options discussed. This topic was tabled until the next regular council meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Alley Discussion: Street Superintendent Ed Ewigman opened the discussion by stating that more time is needed to be spent on alley maintenance. He went on to state that financially, the City cannot support paving any more areas. There was discussion on the topic. Mayor Shoemaker stated the alleys would be addressed as issues arise. Superintendent Ewigman stated that asphalt could be put in the entrance of some alleys, but would be done on a case by case basis.

Special Use Permit: City Manager Richard Hoon reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended the Council approve a special use permit for Janiece Linneman to use a guest house on 311 E Curtis as a counseling office for The Lighthouse Counseling Center, which is based out of Moberly, MO. The Council discussed the request and specifics of the counseling office with Janiece Linneman and Ann Elliot. Councilman Brammer moved to approve the

special use permit at 311 E Curtis for the counseling office. Councilman Carver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Tax Sale Properties: City Manager Richard Hoon reported on the two properties the City would like to purchase at the tax sale on August 24<sup>th</sup>. The property at 1520 N Cannon is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> sale for both the county and city and has a dilapidated building on the property. The other property is at 128 W Wells and is an empty lot that would be ideal for a parking lot. In 2013, an individual wanted to donate the property to the City, but it was in probate at the time. It is currently on the City's third sale and the County's second. City Manager Hoon explained that the City would have to bid on the property for the County sale. City Attorney Jeff Elson informed the Council they could hold the discussion for closed session to discuss their bid limit. The Council held the discussion for closed session.

MPUA Mutual Aid Agreement: City Manager Richard Hoon stated that this was agreement is purely administrative. If there is a disaster in Marceline, MPUA can send people to Marceline to assist and if there is a disaster elsewhere in the state, Marceline can send them to the other community, if there is personnel available. There was some discussion on the topic. Councilman Brammer moved to introduce Bill No. 15-08.024 for the first reading. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Attorney Elson read the bill by title only. Councilman Brammer moved that Bill No. 15-08.024 be read for a second and final time by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carver. The motion carried. City Attorney Elson read the bill a second time by title only. Councilman Brammer moved Bill No. 15-08.024 be approved. Councilman Carver seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Councilman Carver – yes, Councilwoman Buck – yes, Councilman Holt – yes, Councilman Brammer – yes, and Mayor Shoemaker – yes. This bill is assigned Ordinance number 15-08.23

Tax Levy: City Clerk Krumpelman reported the public hearing for the tax levy was held earlier that day. She went on to report that the tax levy ceiling allowed by the State Auditor's office is \$0.5005 for the General Fund and \$0.2086 which is less than the previous year's levy. The reason for this is the increased assessed valuation of the City. There was some discussion on the topic. Councilwoman Buck moved to introduce Bill No. 15-08.25 for the first reading. Councilman Brammer seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Attorney Elson read the bill by title only. Councilwoman Buck moved that Bill No. 15-08.025 be read for a second and final time by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brammer. The motion carried. City Attorney Elson read the bill a second time by title only. Councilwoman Buck moved Bill No. 15-08.025 be approved. Councilman Brammer seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Councilwoman Buck – yes, Councilwoman Carver – yes, Mayor Shoemaker – yes, Councilman Holt – yes, and Councilman Brammer – yes. This bill is assigned Ordinance number 15-08.24.

At 7:12 pm Councilman Carver moved to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Paragraph (2) Real Estate, Paragraph (3) Personnel and Paragraph (12) Contractual/Sealed Proposals. Councilman Brammer seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman Carver – yes, Councilman Brammer – yes, Mayor Shoemaker – yes, Councilwoman Buck – yes, and Councilman Holt – yes.

Upon returning from executive session, with no further business, Councilman Brammer moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Carver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

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Josh Shoemaker, Mayor

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Lindsay Krumpelman, City Clerk