

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARCELINE CITY COUNCIL
September 13, 2023

The Marceline City Council met in regular session on September 13, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of Marceline City Hall, Mayor Sallie Buck presiding. Council members present were Josh Shoemaker, Gary Carlson, Brian Baker, and Shelly Milford. Staff attending: City Attorney Robert Cowherd, City Manager Richard Hoon, City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman, Street Superintendent Adam Lichtenberg, Pool Manager Gary Birdsong, Pool Activities Director Carol Logue, Interim Police Chief John Wright, Police Officer Amy Dunlap, Police Officer Jeremy Nelson, and Police Officer Christopher Murray. Others present: Steve McCollum, Susan McCollum, Scott Chrisman, Matt Bowen, Dave Tavres, Richard Switzer, Ralph Thomas, Linda Stervenz, Jeff Stervenz, John Siecinski, Donna Moore, John Moore, and Reporter Angie Hutschreider.

Mayor Sallie Buck 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:

Councilman Carlson moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilwoman Milford seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk Krumpelman provided a financial update. Councilman Baker moved to approve the financials as presented. Councilwoman Milford seconded the motion. The motion carried.

AWARD PRESENTATION(S): Mayor Buck moved this item up on the agenda to accommodate the guests present for the topic. Mayor Buck presented Officer Amy Dunlap and Officer Jeremy Nelson with Lifesaving Award plaques in recognition for their fast and professional response to a life-threatening emergency that saved a life on Sunday, May 28, 2023. Matt Bowen and Scott Chrisman of the Linn County Ambulance District presented Officer Amy Dunlap with a Clinical Save Award for the same action. Susan McCollum spoke on how Officer Amy Dunlap's and Officer Jeremy Nelson's actions saved her life that day.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL, OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

City Clerk Update: City Clerk Krumpelman stated the last month was focused on the budget and that City Hall is down one staff member due to a medical leave. City Clerk Krumpelman inquired of Council's availability to schedule a Budget Work Session. The Council provided the dates of Tuesday, October 3rd and Thursday, October 5th at 4:45pm to hold the budget work session meetings. City Clerk Krumpelman reported she attended the MML Conference along with Mayor Buck and Councilwoman Milford and she attended several sessions on Water / Wastewater topics.

City Manager Update: City Manager Hoon informed the Council that Fire Chief Holt has submitted his resignation to be effective September 30, 2023. He stated at that time Brian Chrisman will be appointed as Fire Chief and Don Henke as Assistant Fire Chief. City Manager Hoon stated inflation is beating the City up, especially on infrastructure items. He reported the Disney Gala is this Saturday and they were approved to do a fireworks display that evening. He informed the Council the City-Wide Garage Sales will be the first weekend in October. City Manger Hoon reported the new shelter house with bathrooms (concession stand) is being constructed and inquired if staff could color match the other structures in the park for the color scheme of the building. The Council provided a consensus to do so. City Manager Hoon reported the Electric Department is cleaning up around the plant and the right-of-way for the 69KV line pole replacement was cleared. He stated the Street Department is working on culverts and storm water projects. City Manager Hoon concluded stating the Homecoming Parade will be on Friday, September 29, 2023.

Council Update: Councilman Carlson stated he would like to see resources in the budget to care for landscaping of City properties. City Manager Hoon stated he will present how that will be handled during the budget process. Mayor Buck stated the sessions at the MML Conference were very informative.

Organizational Updates – DM & IDA: IDA Executive Director (Ex. Dir) Richard Switzer informed the Council that an annual meeting of the Northern Region of Economic Development Directors was held in Marceline, and he received favorable comments on the City from attendees. He reported he attended the MO Governor's

Conference on Economic Development. IDA Ex. Director Switzer stated there is a childcare desert in Linn County which is not unique. He stated the previous year the state legislature was a few votes shy of passing tax credits and they will be trying again this year. IDA Ex. Director Switzer stated housing is a need in our area and reported that there are some electrical suppliers in North Central Missouri that are building houses. IDA Ex. Director Switzer stated he is continuing to work on enhancing the Community as a whole and a lot of IDA is Economic Development.

Downtown Marceline Executive Director (DM Ex. Dir) Dave Tavres reported Marceline will be featured by Missouri Humanities in 2024. He stated they will be replacing the stands for the feather flag poles with pole holders embedded in the sidewalks with City assistance. He reported Downtown Marceline is working with the IDA and Chamber to put on a Small Business Entrepreneur Workshop on Monday, October 16th. DM Ex. Director Tavres presented the visitor survey sponsored by Downtown Marceline and the Chamber. He reported the Zurcher Suite vacation rental is getting closer to being ready and they will be hosting an open house Alumni Weekend. DM Ex. Director Tavres informed the Council there were approximately 400 attendees to the Wine & Art Stroll and they plan to have a Tailgate Faceoff auction on October 26th similar to the pie auction they do near the 4th of July. He reported Aspire to Thrive is now open. DM Ex. Director Tavres concluding by providing an update on Amtrak saying he is expecting a call at the end of October concerning the potential unmanned Amtrak stop in Marceline.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: Dave Tavres informed those present the Marceline Historical Society meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 2:00 pm at the Library and through their efforts the public has free access to search city newspapers at the Library.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Lead Service Line Inventory Agreement – Bill No. 35-2324: City Clerk Krumpelman reported the Council selected Bartlett and West to do the lead service line inventory project that is being partially funded by the MoDNR ARPA grant. She stated the agreement had to be approved by MoDNR before the Council could enter into the agreement. She reported they have received MoDNR's approval, and the City can move forward with approving the agreement with Bartlett and West. Councilman Shoemaker moved Bill No. 35-2324 to authorize the Mayor to execute a Master Agreement and Task Order No. 1 between the City and Bartlett & West, Inc. to provide professional services for the lead service line inventory project be read twice by title only. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. A voice vote carried the motion. City Clerk Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2324 twice by title only. Councilman Shoemaker moved that Bill No. 35-2324 be approved. Councilwoman Milford seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman Shoemaker – aye, Councilwoman Milford – aye, Councilman Baker – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, and Mayor Buck – aye. This bill is assigned Ordinance Number 35.2328.

NEW BUSINESS: City Manager Hoon recommended the Pool Dome Discussion item be moved up due to the guests present interested in the topic.

Pool Dome Discussion: City Manager Hoon stated since the pool opened in 2017, Moore Fans has assisted the City in the installation and removal of the pool dome every year. He said with the increased production levels at Moore Fans, they can only supply three to four (3-4) people to the endeavor which is not enough support to install the dome. He reported he did receive a call from the coach of the high school football team to assist but that would limit the ability to install the dome to a Saturday or a time after school. City Attorney Cowherd recommended the City not utilize the football team as many would be minors which is a liability issue. The availability of City Staff outside of their normal scheduled hours is also an issue. City Manager Hoon discussed the high costs of running the pool in winter due to gas and utility costs versus the number of annual passes sold. City Manager Hoon inquired if the Council wanted to consider not opening the pool. Pool Manager Birdsong spoke on pool operations with the Council and reported staffing in the winter is especially difficult due to other commitments of the lifeguards. Donna Moore expressed her concerns about how the pool is operated and offered suggestions of how to increase revenue including more programs and being open additional hours. The Council discussed the topic with staff and interested parties. Councilman Shoemaker and Councilman Baker expressed

deep concerns with how much the pool loses every year and whether operating the pool in the winter is a sustainable service. Those present continued to discuss the topic including options of how to get the dome installed for the winter season. Councilwoman Milford moved for the City Manager to prepare a “Call For Volunteers” to assist in the installation of the dome to be approved by the Council at a Special meeting in advance of posting. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Councilman Baker moved for a five-minute recess. Councilwoman Milford seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting recessed from 7:17 pm to 7:22 pm.

Dog Leash Requirement in City Parks – Bill No. 23-09-010: City Manager Hoon reported the request for a leash law has come before the Council two (2) times in recent years. He stated this time the lease requirement would be for the Disney Park (South Park) and Ripley Park only. Interim Police Chief Wright informed the Council of the main complaints concerning dogs running at large in the Parks and enforcement issues. The Council discussed the topic. Councilman Baker moved Bill No. 23-09-010 to amend Title II, Chapter 220, Article II, Section 220.030 of the Marceline Code of Ordinances by adding a new paragraph pertaining to leash requirements in City Parks be read twice by title only. Councilwoman Milford seconded the motion. A voice vote carried the motion. City Clerk Krumpelman read Bill No. 23-09-010 twice by title only. Councilwoman Milford moved that Bill No. 23-09-010 be approved. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilwoman Milford – aye, Councilman Buck – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, Councilman Shoemaker, and Mayor Buck – aye. This bill is assigned Ordinance Number 23-09.10.

BlueMark Energy Agreement (Natural Gas) – Bill No. 35-2330: City Manager Hoon stated this agreement is for the natural gas at the pool and has saved the City approximately \$22,000.00. He reported the sewer plant does not meet the threshold to be considered part of this agreement. Following a brief discussion, Councilwoman Milford moved Bill No. 35-2330 to authorize the Mayor to renew the natural gas sales agreement between the City and BlueMark Energy, LLC for the large volume purchase of natural gas for the Marceline Municipal Swimming Pool be read twice by title only. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. A voice vote carried the motion. City Clerk Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2330 twice by title only. Councilwoman Milford moved that Bill No. 35-2330 be approved. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilwoman Milford – aye, Councilman Baker – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, Councilman Shoemaker – aye, and Mayor Buck – aye. This bill is assigned Ordinance Number 35.2329.

Temporary Caterer’s Permit Request: Mayor Buck explained that Tessa Tate Mauzey with UpRiver Home & Gifts has submitted their application for a Temporary Caterer’s Permit for an event for the Walt Disney Hometown Museum on September 16, 2023, to be held at the Disney Farm. City Clerk Krumpelman informed the Council they have issued temporary caterer’s permits to Tessa Tate Mauzey twice in the past year. Councilwoman Milford moved to approve the Temporary Caterer’s Permit for Tessa Tate Mauzey with UpRiver Home and Gifts for the Walt Disney Hometown Museum on September 16, 2023, to be held at the Disney Farm. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Code Amendment – Liquor License Approval – Bill No. 23-09-011: City Clerk Krumpelman stated this code amendment will allow the City Clerk to approve temporary caterer’s permits and temporary permits since those applicants provided those applicants hold a state liquor license. She stated this was a recommendation made to the Council by legal counsel at the August meeting. Councilwoman Milford moved Bill No. 23-09-011 to amend Chapter 600, Section 600.050, Paragraph A of Title VI of the Marceline Code of Ordinances relating to approval of liquor license applications be read twice by title only. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. A voice vote carried the motion. City Clerk Krumpelman read Bill No. 23-09-011 twice by title only. Councilwoman Milford moved that Bill No. 23-09-011 be approved. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilwoman Milford – aye, Councilman Buck – aye, Mayor Buck – aye, Councilman Shoemaker, and Councilman Carlson – aye. This bill is assigned Ordinance Number 23-09.11.

Airport State Block Grant Amendment No. 1 – Bill No. 35-2331: City Manager Hoon stated this amendment is requested due to an increase in costs of the airfield pavement maintenance project at the NCMR Airport which is

owned by the City of Marceline and the City of Brookfield. He stated the additional sponsor matching funds of \$23,568.00 will come from the NCMR Airport Board and not the two (2) cities. Councilwoman Milford moved Bill No. 35-2331 to authorize the Mayor to execute the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Amendment to the State Block Grant Agreement between the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission and the Cities of Brookfield and Marceline and the North Central Regional Airport Authority be read twice by title only. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. A voice vote carried the motion. City Clerk Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2331 twice by title only. Councilwoman Milford moved that Bill No. 35-2331 be approved. Councilman Baker seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilwoman Milford – aye, Councilman Baker – aye, Councilman Carlson – abstained, Councilman Shoemaker – aye, and Mayor Buck – aye. This bill is assigned Ordinance Number 35.2330.

At 7:39 pm, Councilman Baker moved to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Paragraph (2) Real Estate, Paragraph (3) Personnel, and Paragraph (12) Contracts and to include guest Matt Gibson. Councilwoman Milford seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman Baker – aye, Councilwoman Milford – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, Mayor Buck – aye and Councilman Shoemaker – aye.

Upon returning from Executive Session, with no further business Councilman Baker moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Shoemaker seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Recorded by City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman.
Approved by Marceline City Council on October 11, 2023