

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARCELINE CITY COUNCIL
December 15, 2015**

The Marceline City Council met in regular session on December 15, 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, and Tyson Brammer. Councilwoman Sallie Buck was absent. Staff attending: City Manager Richard Hoon, City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman, City Attorney Jeff Elson, Street Superintendent Ed Ewigman, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Kevin Wiggins, and Police Chief Bob Donelson. Also in attendance were: Perry Wiggins, Connie Floray, 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 that the minutes and financials be approved as presented. Councilman Brammer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL, OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

City Department Updates: Police Chief Bob Donelson reported it is business as usual at the Police Department. He reported that the new holding cell is installed and thanked Charles Harrington of the Electric Department for his help. Police Chief Donelson reported that the 'Christmas For Kids' event was a success with 159 kids in attendance. He concluded by stating his department applied for a live scan grant and should know after the first of the year if it will be awarded.

Water and Wastewater Superintendent Kevin Wiggins reported that they have been cutting brush off the New Reservoir dam. He reported he has been working with Allstate Consultants on the Raw Water Grant. The bids came way under budget, and they were working on an amendment to expend the remaining grant funds. He is also working with Allstate Consultants on the utility rate study and the Small Community Engineering Assistance Grant project. Superintendent Wiggins concluded by reporting on the Big Reservoir Lake meeting that he and Darren Brammer had attended that day.

Street Superintendent Ed Ewigman reported that his department began working on their winter tree list and storm drains. The street department has been prepping for the winter season, focusing on maintenance of the plows. Superintendent Ewigman informed the Council that they started working on the road in the undeveloped section of the cemetery. He concluded by stating they worked with MODOT to inject hot tar into the cracks on Hwy 5 to prevent water from flowing in the cracks.

City Manager Richard Hoon reported the Electric Department is working on cleaning up the plant and has pulled the fountain out of the pond. He concluded by reporting on the Christmas lights.

City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman reported that she has been busy the past two weeks since returning from maternity leave and has completed three months worth of financial statements. She reported she will be preparing the budget to be uploaded to the website by Christmas. City Clerk Krumpelman stated she has been in contact with the bond advisor concerning the upcoming bond issue for the pool project. She reported that she attended a training session the day before and will attend a second one on Thursday. City Clerk Krumpelman informed the assembly that election filing began today and will go until January 19th and that there were two seats open for three year terms. She concluded by stating that Councilman Holt, has filed for re-election.

City Manager Richard Hoon reported that at the Planning Commission meeting the night before they went over new bylaws and made recommendations to approve four re-zonings. All would go from R1 to C2, with one

having a special use permit. He informed the assembly with recent events, the police department has received increased requests for active shooter training. City employees will participate in this training in January. He encouraged all citizens to have an increased situational awareness. City Manager Hoon stated that Peanut Night was a success and the City has received a lot of compliments on the Christmas lights.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:

Linda Linebaugh thanked the Electric Department for doing a fantastic job on the Christmas lights this year. She stated she would like to see one of the swags to say Merry Christmas and a nativity scene in the park next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ballot Language Discussion: City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman reported that the ballot language is the same as last year except it is for a one million dollar bond issue with a tax levy of \$0.49 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation. In addition, there are two sentences added at the end concerning the 1/2 cent sales tax that was approved on November 3rd by the voters. She explained that the reason for the tax levy being a little more than half of the previous levy is the bond advisors are expecting higher interest rates in 2016 than 2015. There was some discussion on the topic.

NEW BUSINESS:

Skid Loader Bids: Street Superintendent Ed Ewigman presented the bids received for a new compact track (skid) loader. He recommended to the Council that they select the bid from Bobcat of St. Louis - Columbia in the amount of \$44,487.75. Superintendent Ewigman stated that this piece of equipment offers all the items on the specification sheet and more. He reported that it will connect to all existing attachments the city currently owns without the need of adaptors or retrofitting and has vertical lift capacity. For those reasons, Superintendent Ewigman stated he felt that piece of equipment best meets the needs of the City of Marceline. There was discussion on the topic by the Council about the various bids received. Councilman Brammer moved to accept the Bobcat of St. Louis - Columbia bid for the Bobcat T650 Compact Track Loader in the amount of \$44,487.75. Councilman Carver seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion unanimously: Councilman Holt – yes, Councilman Brammer – yes, Councilman Carver – yes, and Mayor Shoemaker – yes.

Raw Water Grant Bids: Water/Wastewater Superintendent Kevin Wiggins gave a brief history of the grant. He reported that since this a CDBG grant the City has to accept the low bid. He informed the Council that the State has already approved the low bid from Willis Bros for the project. There was some discussion on the topic. Councilman Carver moved to accept the low bid from Willis Bros, Inc in the amount of \$46,050.00. Councilman Holt seconded the motion. A unanimous roll call vote carried the motion. The vote was as follows: Councilman Carver – yes, Councilman Holt – yes, Councilman Brammer – yes, and Mayor Shoemaker – yes.

Truck Bids: Mayor Josh Shoemaker confirmed that the expense of the truck would be split between water and sewer and that all bids were under the \$40,000.00 budget. Water/Wastewater Superintendent Kevin Wiggins went over the bids with the Council. He recommended the Council accept the bid from Cupp Chevrolet for the 2016 Chevrolet 3500 with the double cab and options. He explained why he thought it was the best bid to meet the City's needs, including that all the service would be done in town and the dealer is located in Marceline. City Clerk Krumpelman explained that with this bid plus the interest, since it will be financed for a 5 year period, it will be slightly over budget for this year. Mayor Shoemaker inquired if Cupp Chevrolet would meet Smith Motor's low bid for the same type of Ford vehicle. The Council discussed the topic. Councilman Holt moved to accept the bid from Cupp Chevrolet for the 2016 Chevrolet 3500 with the double cab and options in the amount of \$38,824.66 and for it to be financed with whomever provided the lowest interest rate available. Councilman Carver seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman Holt – yes, Mayor Shoemaker – no, Councilman Carver – yes, and Councilman Brammer – yes.

Chapter 230-Solid Waste: City Manager Richard Hoon reported that in his review of our current ordinances he noticed that many of them have not been updated since the 1980s or 1990s and need to be updated. For example,

there is nothing in the current ordinances concerning the City Dump. This bill will update this Chapter in the City's code to reflect the current standard. There was some discussion on the topic. Councilman Carver moved to introduce Bill No. 15-12.035 for the first reading. Councilman Holt seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk Krumpelman read the bill by title only. Councilman Carver moved that Bill No. 15-12.035 be read for a second and final time by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brammer. The motion carried. City Clerk Krumpelman read the bill a second time by title only. Councilman Carver moved Bill No. 15-12.035 be approved. Councilman Holt seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Mayor Shoemaker – yes, Councilman Holt – yes, Councilman Brammer – yes, and Councilman Carver – yes. This bill was assigned Ordinance Number 15-12.35.

Chapter 720-Utility Billing Procedures: Mayor Shoemaker opened the discussion on the topic. City Attorney Jeff Elson reported that there is a 1991 state law that is not reflected in our ordinances concerning what the City can do when a renter leaves without paying their utility bill. He went on to say that the bill, with a limit of 90 days, can fall to the landlord. Perry Wiggins discussed the topic with the Council about how that would affect the landlords. Mayor Shoemaker informed him that this only applies to the water and sewer and not electric portion of the bill. Perry Wiggins requested that the landlords be contacted when the City shuts off the utilities to rental houses. There was some discussion on the topic. City Manager Richard Hoon went over the other changes within the Chapter, such as removing of the guaranty option and resolution committee, addition of a customer-initiated temporary disconnection reconnect fee, and repeals the delinquent bill section in the 705 and 715 chapters. There was some discussion on the bill. Councilman Carver moved to introduce Bill No. 15-12.036 for the first reading. Councilman Holt seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk Krumpelman read the bill by title only. Councilman Carver moved that Bill No. 15-12.036 be read for a second and final time by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brammer. The motion carried. City Clerk Krumpelman read the bill a second time by title only. Councilman Carver moved Bill No. 15-12.036 be approved. Councilman Holt seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Councilman Carver – yes, Councilman Holt – yes, Councilman Brammer – yes, and Mayor Shoemaker – yes. This bill was assigned Ordinance Number 15-12.36.

At 6:52 pm Councilman Brammer moved to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Paragraph (1) Legal Action and Paragraph (3) Personnel. Councilman Holt seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman Brammer – yes, Councilman Holt – yes, Councilman Carver – yes, and Mayor Shoemaker – yes.

Upon returning from executive session, with no further business, Councilman Carver moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Brammer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Recorded by City Clerk Lindsay Krumpelman.
Approved on January 19, 2016 by Marceline City Council.