

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARCELINE CITY COUNCIL  
**January 14, 2026**

The Marceline City Council met in regular session on January 14, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Marceline City Hall, Mayor Shelly Milford presiding. Council members present were Sallie Buck, Gary Carlson, Clarence Gibson, and Jacob Clay. Staff attending: City Attorney Robert Cowherd, City Manager Jesse Wallis, City Clerk/Assistant City Manager (ACM) Lindsay Krumpelman, Water Superintendent Mikeal Thompson, Street Superintendent Adam Lichtenberg, and Police Chief John Wright. Others present: John Siecinski, Lawanda Hull, and Dave Tavres.

Mayor Shelly Milford led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Councilman Clay moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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

Councilwoman Buck moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Gibson seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk / ACM Krumpelman presented the financial summary report. Councilwoman Buck moved to approve the financials as presented. Councilman Gibson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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

City Clerk Update: City Clerk / ACM Krumpelman reported staff is working on bid documents with requests out for the hay lease, water truck, and the vertical turbine pump replacement. She stated the requests for proposals for the city roof, cemetery mowing and trash services are in process. She informed the Council after candidate filing closed, there are two candidates for the one open council seat, John A. Gibson and Brian Baker. City Clerk / ACM Krumpelman stated the required service line letters were mailed out before Christmas. She informed the Council she anticipates the City will receive an 87% on their MIRMA annual evaluation which is an increase from the year prior and they are working to improve the score.

City Manager Update: City Manager Wallis informed the Council that the proposal selected from Blue Valley Public Safety Services for the outdoor warning siren system does not have an option for the voice tones and inquired if the Council wanted to explore adding that option. After discussion, the Council provided a consensus for City Manager Wallis to get the additional cost option for the voice tones. City Manager Wallis stated MPOA will be holding a utility leadership workshop on March 16<sup>th</sup> at the Public Safety Building meeting room (Fire Barn) and the Council is welcome to attend if they are interested.

Council Update: Councilman Carlson inquired about the outside container for storage on the Police Department's activity report. Police Chief Wright stated they plan to use it for storage of records, equipment and uniforms and they are anticipating a cost of \$2,500.00. Councilman Gibson stated the Water Department did a good job handling an issue that almost caused the City to run out of water. Water Superintendent Thompson stated there were several very unfortunate circumstances, and they are working to find a permanent resolution. Mayor Milford stated she has received comments about the recycle trailer always being full and things being left around it. City Manager Wallis stated he will request staff to check that area more often.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

Lawanda Hull stated she uses the recycle and tries to use the trailer responsibly. She states it is a good thing to have. She stated people need to break down their cardboard and only put items accepted in the trailer. Mayor Milford stated she agreed with Lawanda Hull, that not breaking down cardboard is causing the biggest issue at the trailer.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

AMI Project Agreement – Bill No. 35-2601: City Manager Wallis reported the Council selected Core and Main as the successful vendor for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) project and the associated agreements received final legal approval. City Clerk Krumpelman reported staff is presenting an amended Bill No. 35-2601 to list two agreements for the project under one bill as the software agreement is with Sensus and not Core and Main. Councilwoman Buck moved that the amended Bill No. 35-2601 authorizing the Mayor to execute agreements for the purpose of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) project be read twice by title only. Councilman Gibson seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk/ACM Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2601 twice by title only. Councilwoman Buck moved that Bill No. 35-2601 be passed. Councilman Gibson seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion to pass Bill No. 35-2601: Councilwoman Buck – aye, Councilman Gibson – aye, Mayor Milford – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, and Councilman Clay – aye. This Bill is assigned Ordinance Number 35.2601.

Lease Purchase Agreement (AMI Project) – Bill No. 35-2602: City Clerk / ACM Krumpelman stated the Council selected to enter into a ten-year lease purchase agreement for the AMI Project at a four and one-half percent (4.5%) interest rate with Regional Missouri Bank. Councilman Gibson moved that Bill No. 35-2602 authorizing the Mayor to execute a lease purchase agreement between Regional Missouri Bank and the City for the purpose of providing financing for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) project be read twice by title only. Councilman Clay seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk/ACM Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2602 twice by title only. Councilman Gibson moved that Bill No. 35-2602 be passed. Councilman Clay seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion to pass Bill No. 35-2602: Councilman Gibson – aye, Councilman Clay – aye, Councilwoman Buck – aye, Mayor Milford – aye, and Councilman Carlson – aye. This Bill is assigned Ordinance Number 35.2602.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

East Ballfield Projects No. 1 Agreement – Bill No. 35-2603: City Clerk / ACM Krumpelman stated that that East Ballfield Project No. 1 is for the Outfield Perimeter Chain Link Fence, the Council selected Fence Pro, LLC's bid in the amount of \$21,693.00 at their December 2025 meeting. Councilman Gibson moved that Bill No. 35-2603 authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement between Fence Pro, LLC for the purpose of the East Ballfield Project #1 be read twice by title only. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk/ACM Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2603 twice by title only. Councilman Gibson moved that Bill No. 35-2603 be passed. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion to pass Bill No. 35-2603: Councilman Gibson – aye, Councilwoman Buck – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, Councilman Clay – aye, and Mayor Milford – aye. This Bill is assigned Ordinance Number 35.2603.

Recreation and Park Board Donation – East Ballfield Project No. 2 / Budget Amendment – Bill No. 35-2604: City Clerk / ACM Krumpelman explained that the Recreation and Park Board has approved donating an additional \$4,650.00 to the East Ballfield Project so the option of the padded rails can be included under Project #2 for the In-Line Suspended Cable Backstop with Netting. She stated this would bring the project total to \$33,400.00. After a brief discussion, Councilman Clay moved that Bill No. 35-2604 to amend the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget for the City of Marceline to accept and allocate funds from the Recreation Board in the General Fund in the amount of \$4,650.00 for the purchase of two dugout padded rails for the East Ballfield Project be read twice by title only. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk/ACM Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2604 twice by title only. Councilman Clay moved that Bill No. 35-2604 be passed. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion to pass Bill No. 35-2604: Councilman Clay – aye, Councilwoman Buck – aye, Councilman Gibson – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, and Mayor Milford – aye. This Bill is assigned Ordinance Number 35.2604.

East Ballfield Projects No. 2 Agreement – Bill No. 35-2605: Councilman Gibson moved that Bill No. 35-2605 authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement between Patriot Athletic Equipment, LLC for the purpose of the East Ballfield Project #2 be read twice by title only. Councilman Clay seconded the motion. The motion carried. City Clerk/ACM Krumpelman read Bill No. 35-2605 twice by title only. Councilman Gibson moved that Bill No. 35-2605 be passed. Councilman Clay seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion to pass Bill No. 35-2605: Councilman Gibson – aye, Councilman Clay – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, Mayor Milford – aye, and Councilwoman Buck – aye. This Bill is assigned Ordinance Number 35.2605. Mayor Milford thanked Street Superintendent Lichtenberg for fixing the restroom by the ballfield.

Record Retention – Destruction of Records: City Clerk / ACM Krumpelman presented her list of records that have reached their retention requirements under the State of Missouri retention schedule. Councilwoman Buck moved to approve the destruction of records as listed. Councilman Gibson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

February and March Meeting Dates: Mayor Milford stated she is unable to attend the February meeting and the City Clerk has a conference that conflicts with the March meeting. The Council and staff discussed possible alternative dates for the February and March Council meetings. Councilwoman Buck moved to change the February Council meeting to February 16<sup>th</sup> and the March Council meeting to March 12<sup>th</sup>, both at 5:30 pm. Councilman Clay seconded the motion. The motion carried.

At 6:28pm, Councilman Gibson moved to adjourn to Executive session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Paragraph (3) Personnel. Councilwoman Buck seconded the motion. The following roll call vote carried the motion: Councilman Gibson – aye, Councilwoman Buck – aye, Mayor Milford – aye, Councilman Carlson – aye, and Councilman Clay – aye.

Upon returning from Executive Session at 7:32 pm, Mayor Milford inquired if it was known how the City would be affected if Linn County would freeze personal property taxes for those older than 62 years of age. City Manager Wallis stated he did not know how that would impact the City. Mayor Milford informed them that Representative McGaugh filed a House Bill for the transient bed tax.

With no further business, Councilwoman Buck moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Clay seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Recorded by City Clerk / ACM Lindsay Krumpelman  
Approved by Marceline City Council on February 16, 2026