

CITY OF MARION – REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 27, 2012

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Marion held in the Council Chambers of the Marion City Hall February 27, 2012. Mayor Butler called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

The City Clerk was instructed to call the roll and the response was as follows:

PHYSICALLY PRESENT: COMISSIONERS RIX, RINELLA, GOSS, PATTON AND MAYOR BUTLER.
ABSENT: NONE

The minutes of the February 13, 2012 Regular Meeting were approved with one correction.

Clarke Deacon, Administrator for the Revolving Loan Fund, presented the application for the River to River Corporation with a requested loan amount of \$325,000.00 with collateral being first lien on all furniture and equipment and a Jr. Mortgage behind the lead lender for a term of 120 months at a rate of 3.5%. It is estimated the new facility will provide thirteen new full time employees and an additional eight employees will be transferred from the Energy facility. After a thorough review by the Revolving Loan Committee, the Loan Committee agreed this will be a high quality loan and advised the loan to be approved. Since this loan request exceeds the amount the Loan Committee can approve, the Loan Committee recommended the approval of the loan to the City Council.

Commissioner Rinella made motion to approve the \$325,000.00 Revolving Loan for River to River Corporation. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Resolution No. 2012-03 A resolution whereby the City of Marion accepts the dedication of a subdivision platted as Wolohan Subdivision - Phase I to the City of Marion, County of Williamson, Illinois. Developer is Wolohan Enterprises, Inc.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to accept Resolution 2012-03 as presented. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Rix made a motion to hire William Barrett as the 9-1-1 Coordinator for the City of Marion. The selection board, appointed by members of the Emergency Telephone System Board, recently interviewed six applicants for the position of the newly created 9-1-1 Coordinator. At the end of the interviews, the selection board recommended Mr. Barrett to be hired. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

City Administrator Gail West and Commissioner Goss stated the CDL Medical Evaluations questions had been resolved in a meeting earlier today. No further discussion needed at this time.

Human Resources Director Jane Kidwell has developed some procedures for using volunteers in the various departments within the City of Marion. By utilizing the practices the liability of the City of Marion will be greatly reduced.

After discussion it was decided that since there are now street lights in operation on Williamson County Parkway, the issue of changing the yield signs at the end of Williamson County Parkway and Skyline Drive to stop signs was not needed and possibly would cause more traffic issues than the yield signs currently do.

Commissioner Rix stated that the original bid estimate from Barnett Electric dated August 17, 2011 to rewire twenty six outer loop lights on Williamson County Parkway from Black Diamond Harley-Davidson around to Skyline Drive was for \$12,449.50. On September 19, 2011 the Council approved the bid of Barnett Electric up to \$15,000.00. When the invoice came in for that job, the amount was for \$20,828.86 because additional work was required outside of original estimate for pulling wire and replacing ballasts and lamps. Commissioner Rix stated that most of the lights are now on, but the work is not finished. He wanted the Council to know there is more work to be done out there because some of the underground wires are broken and had to be replaced. Commissioner Rix stated that if the City was replacing the metal poles and lights today it would have cost over \$44,000.00. Since the Council had only approved payment up to \$15,000.00, Commissioner Rix asked the Council to approve the total amount of the invoice of \$20,828.86. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RIX, RINELLA AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES. COMMISSIONER PATTON VOTED NO. MOTION CARRIED.

ORDINANCE 3040 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1744 (ESTABLISHING A PREEMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH POLICE OFFICERS AND FIRE FIGHTERS.)

Commissioner Rix made a motion to approve Ordinance 3040 as presented. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

ORDINANCE 3039 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR BUTLER TO SIGN THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER AND THE CITY OF MARION. This agreement authorizes the Comptroller to collect bad debts such as water bills, mowing liens, or defaulted Revolving Loans by the offset of the State's tax and nontax payments in order to collect bad debts for the local unit.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve Ordinance 3039 as presented. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Goss presented the bids for the removal and replacement of the culvert on South Fair Street. Ferguson Contracting, LLC - \$49,670.00; J.M. Jones, Inc. – \$55,675.00; Geo. E. Jones Excav. LLC. - \$53,346.00; and Perry County Construction Co. - \$54,350.00.

Commissioner Goss made motion to accept the low bid of Ferguson Construction, LLC. at \$49,670.00. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Patton opened the bid for the demolition of the house trailer at 100 West McDonald Street. Neat Cut was the only bid at \$1,125.00. Commissioner Patton made motion to accept the bid of Neat Cut. Commissioner Rix seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

ORDINANCE NO. 3041 AN ORDINANCE STATING ANYONE IN THE BUSINESS OF RECEIVING AND STORING ABANDONED OR DERELICT MOTOR VEHICLES WHO IS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS TO REMOVE FROM SUCH VEHICLES MERCURY OR OTHER CONTAMINANTS MAY IMPOSE A SERVICE CHARGE OF \$25.00 TO COVER THE COSTS OF COMPLYING WITH SUCH REGULATIONS.

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve Ordinance 3041 with the sentence added to the Ordinance (As long as the City of Marion has no obligation to pay the service charges.) Commissioner Rix seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED YES.

Mayor Butler stated at the last Council meeting the Council accepted the resignation of Judy Arnold from the Library Board. He had this past week received notice of the resignation of Guy "Pete" Peterson.

Commissioner Rinella made motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Peterson from the Library Board. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED YES.

Mayor Butler stated he had received notice that Beth Wilson and Linda Walker both were willing to serve on the Library Board.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve the appointment of Beth Wilson and Linda Walker to fill the vacancies on the Library Board. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a Real Estate matter, a Personnel matter and salary rates for new employees. Commissioner Rix seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

7:10 P.M.

EXECUTIVE MEETING

8:05 P.M.

Commissioner Rix made motion to go out of Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Session. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Rix made motion to pay the 9-1-1 Coordinator \$38,000.00 per year.

Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Rinella made motion to pay the EMA Director \$38,000.00 per year. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Rinella made motion to pay the IT Director \$40,000.00 per year. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

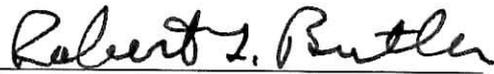
Commissioner Rinella reported the bid to repair the sand filters is \$87,000.00 for all four filters, not including the valves. Possibly they might knock off \$10,000.00. Another company from St. Louis is looking at bidding on the repair of the sand filters.

Commissioner Rinella thought maybe they should contact Rend Lake to see if possibly they might help pay for the sand filters repair.

Commissioner Rix made motion to adjourn meeting. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

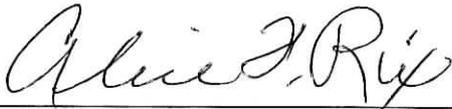
ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

8:15 P.M



Robert L. Butler, Mayor

ATTEST:



Alice F. Rix, City Clerk