

CITY OF MARION – CONTINUED MEETING

JUNE 2, 2014

Minutes of a Continued Meeting held at Marion City Hall Monday June 2, 2014. 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

Mayor Butler opened the meeting by asking if there was any discussion on Resolution 2014-33 establishing a Hiring Policy for filling all City of Marion Positions. The Commissioners thought the resolution stated what was needed in a hiring policy. Resolution 2014-33 will be placed on the agenda of the next Regular Council Meeting for consideration and approval.

Commissioner Goss recommended to table items 2,3,4,5, and 6.

City Attorney Steve Green told the Council he had redrafted the Sports Facility Management Agreement and will send a copy of the agreement to Mayor Butler tomorrow.

Item 8 – Approval to hire a cook at Senior Citizens Center to fill a vacancy was tabled for lack of information.

Mayor Butler stated some of the Commissioners had stated that it was time for the City to have a Public Relations Position in the City. Commissioner Rix stated he didn't think the City needed a Public Relations Person. Commissioner Patton thought the Council needs to strongly consider the Public Relations Position in the future. Commissioner Rinella said, he thinks the City needs somebody out there tooting the City's horn as to what is going on in the City. Mayor Butler stated the City of Marion had recently received more exposure from the interest generated by the new Recreation Center and the opening of the new Police Station. Mayor Butler said, "No other community can compare with these facilities or the exposure the City has received."

Commissioner Patton said he didn't have a problem with Travis Akin coming to speak to the City Council to give a short talk to explain in a nut shell what he would propose to do as Public Relations for the City of Marion.

Mayor Butler said he thought the Council should give more thought to the idea of Public Relation to determine what the City actually needs.

Commissioner Rinella said he thought it was something the Council needs to consider and bring to the table in the near future.

Mayor Butler reminded everyone that last Thursday May 29, 2014 was the thirty second anniversary of the tornado that struck Marion on Saturday May 29, 1982 killing 10 people, injuring more, and causing over \$60,000,000.00 in damages to property in the City of Marion.

Mayor Butler went on to say, "The tornado led to an amazing recovery. In a little over a year it was almost impossible to trace the path the tornado took through Marion. The Spirit of the town shined through all the tragedy. "

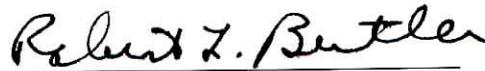
Mayor Butler told the Council that Resolution 2014-20, passed by the Council on May 12, 2014 making East Jefferson Street from Buchanan Street to Harper Street one way, is creating difficulty for a resident who lives on the corner of Buchanan and Jefferson. His drive way enters from Jefferson Street. So now when he leaves his driveway he has to drive an extra six or more blocks just to get back to his house. Attorney Steve Green stated that possibly the Council could amend the Resolution 2014-20 to start the one-way section of East Jefferson just past the property of the resident at the corner of Buchanan and Jefferson.

Commissioner Goss said various towns were doing downtown restorations similar to what the City of Marion is trying to do. Commissioner Goss stated three more downtown business owners would like to take part in the loan/grant offered by the City of Marion, but there is only \$5,000.00 left in the restoration fund. Mayor Butler said possibly other sources of revenue for the Restoration loans could be investigated.

Commissioner Rix made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

Meeting adjourned 7:05 P.M.



Robert L. Butler, Mayor

ATTEST:



Alice F. Rix, City Clerk