

**CITY OF MARION – REGULAR MEETING**

DECEMBER 9, 2013

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Marion held in the Council Chambers of the Marion City Hall December 9, 2013. 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, AND PATTON AND MAYOR BUTLER.

ABSENT: NONE

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2013 and the minutes of the Public Hearing of November 9, 2013 were approved as presented.

ORDINANCE 3141 – APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE AN ALLEY RUNNING WEST FROM THE WEST R.O.W. LINE OF NORTH BENTLEY STREET TO THE EAST R.O.W. LINE OF NORTH HAMLET STREET. Commissioner Patton made a motion to vacate the alley and approve Ordinance 3141 as presented. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONER RIX VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER RINELLA VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER GOSS VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER PATTON VOTED YEA AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YEA.

Jay Schafer, Attorney for Marion Park District came before the Council to present a plan for the Park District and the City of Marion to draw up an Intergovernmental Agreement for the City of Marion to transfer the Recreation Levy to the Park District over a five year period with the Park District assuming all responsibilities for the youth football and tennis programs with the City transferring any football equipment to the Park District. Attorney Schafer and Attorney Steve Green will work together to draw up the Intergovernmental Agreement.

ORDINANCE 3142 – AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PET BOARDING FACILITIES WITHIN COMMERCIAL ZONES. Mayor Butler stated Section 1 and Section 2 explains how a “Pet Boarding Facility” can exist closer than 200 feet from any Residential Zone category. Commissioner Goss made a motion to accept Ordinance 3142 as presented. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONER RIX VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER RINELLA VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER GOSS VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER PATTON VOTED YEA AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YEA.

ORDINANCE 3143 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A TIF DISTRICT REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARION AND MEYER OIL COMPANY, INC. MARION HUB TIF DISTRICT. Commissioner Rix made a motion to approve Ordinance 3143 as presented. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL COMMISSIONER RIX VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER RINELLA VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER GOSS VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER PATTON VOTED YEA AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YEA.

ORDINANCE 3144 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH OTIS AND EAST CARTER TO BE A FOUR WAY STOP INTERSECTION.

Commissioner Rix made a motion to approve Ordinance 3146 as presented. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONER RIX VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER RINELLA VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER GOSS VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER PATTON VOTED YEA, AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YEA.

After discussion of Ordinance 3051 – an ordinance pertaining to gambling and video gaming licensing, Commissioner Patton suggested increasing the licensing fee to one hundred twenty five dollars (\$125.00) per gaming terminal with a renewal fee of one hundred twenty five dollars (\$125.00) being due each January 31 of the next year following its issuance.

ORDINANCE 3145 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY OF MARION, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING FOR THE COSTS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC CAPITAL PROJECTS AND COSTS RELATED THERETO AND TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BOND ORDER IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND FOR THE LEVY OF A DIRECT ANNUAL TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS.

Commissioner Rix made a motion to approve Ordinance 3145 as presented. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONER RIX VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER RINELLA VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER GOSS VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER PATTON VOTED YEA, AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to sell the two acres on Osage Drive for \$40,000.00 pending having a plat of the area drawn up. Commissioner Rix seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONER RIX VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER RINELLA VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER GOSS VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER PATTON VOTED NO, MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YEA.

Approval of the Harris Computer Systems annual contract was tabled.

Ordinance 3111- An Ordinance adopting regulations regarding Special Events was tabled.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve Downtown Restoration Loans to Ivan Zwick - \$10,000.00 and Joe Lerner - \$9,600.00, both of which are subject to the sale of the two acres on Osage Drive. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONER RIX VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER RINELLA VOTED YEA. COMMISSIONER GOSS VOTED YEA, COMMISSIONER PATTON VOTED NO, MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve payment of the monthly bills as funds become available. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella commented the Street Department did an excellent job clearing the snow from all the streets of Marion. Sixteen snowplows helped to do a great job. Commissioner Goss stated that our Marion trucks helped to clear the streets of Johnston City today and will go back and finish on Tuesday. Everyone agreed Street Superintendent John Bradley did a tremendous job.

Mayor Butler announced Wanda Zwick had invited all the Council Members to a Christmas Luncheon at the Lighthouse Shelter.

7:30 P.M

Commissioner Rix made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel issue, and a Litigation issue. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YEA.

8:30 P.M. Commissioner Goss made a motion to go out of Executive Session and resume the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve and keep sealed the Executive Minutes dated from January 9, 2012 through March 30, 2012. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YEA.

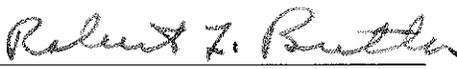
The next Regular Council Meeting will be December 23, 2013.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to pay ten (10) hours overtime at time and a half to Gail West, Brian Fisher and Jack Reed for their time spent during the emergency snow removal on Friday and Saturday with John Bradley being paid twenty (20) hours overtime at time and a half. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YEA.

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

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YEA.

  
Robert L. Butler Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Alice F. Rix, City Clerk