

**CITY OF MARION – REGULAR MEETING**

**MARCH 12, 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 March 12, 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: COMMISSIONERS RIX, RINELLA, GOSS, PATTON AND MAYOR BUTLER.  
ABSENT: NONE

The minutes of the February 27, 2012 Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

Commissioner Goss presented the bids for the widening of the northeast quadrant of the North Carbon and Princeton Avenue intersection with George Jones Excavating - \$15,056.00; Ferguson Construction - \$16,829.60; and Perry County Construction - \$29,980.00. Dr. and Mrs. Kevin Holmes donated the right of way for the widening of the intersection at no cost to the city.

Commissioner Goss made motion to accept the low bid of George Jones Excavating of \$15,056.00. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the purchase from Fabick Machinery a set of tracks with nuts and bolts for a 315 track hoe for the Street Department at a cost of \$8069.70. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Mayor Butler presented an invoice from Ponder Heating and Cooling for replacing the heating/air conditioner unit for the southeast side of City Hall in the amount of \$7,392.00. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve payment to Ponder Heating and Cooling. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to accept the bid of \$43,000.00 to add lighting equipment to the Marion Cultural and Civic Center, made necessary after the addition of the new Pit Fill System to be completed later in March. The funds for the lighting package have been donated and are in a designated account for this purpose. Commissioner Rix seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

The proposed Liquor Ordinance No. 3042 was presented for discussion. Extending the closing time to 10:00 P.M. for selling alcohol on Sundays for restaurants as well as package liquor stores; raising the maximum fine amount for any violations to the Ordinance to \$750.00; and Section 16 were points that were discussed for further consideration.

Commissioner Rinella made motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated March 12, 2012 as funds become available. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Rinella made motion to pay the monthly bills as funds become available. Commissioner Rix seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Patton reported to the Council an architectural drawing (90% complete) of the proposed recreation center. The proposed 60-70,000 square feet for the building has pushed the budget up. The Recreation Center committee will be announcing their fund raising plans in the coming weeks.

Mayor Butler presented Resolution 2012-04 - A Resolution expressing the City Council's disapproval of the closing of the Tamms Correctional Center. Commissioner Rinella made motion to approve Resolution 2012-04 as it was presented with Commissioner Rix seconding the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

The City Clerk was instructed to mail copies of Resolution 2012-04 to Governor Quinn, Representative John Bradley, Representative Mike Bost, Representative Brandon Phelps, and Senator Gary Forby.

6:00 P.M.

Commissioner Rix made motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a Real Estate matter, a Personnel matter and a Contract matter. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

8:00 P.M.

Commissioner Rix made motion to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular meeting. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Goss made motion to donate \$1,000.00 to Southern Illinois Advance Team, a group that works with under privileged, at risk children between the ages of 12-19, directed by Greg and Jennifer Portee. Commissioner Rix seconded the motion.

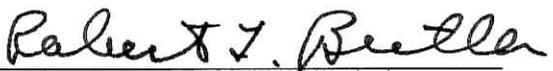
ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

City Administrator Gail West announced the Japanese Delegation from Kanie Town will be in attendance at the next Regular Council Meeting on March 26, 2012.

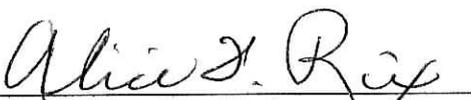
Commissioner Rix made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner Goss seconding the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL

8:10 P.M

  
Robert L. Butler, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Alice F. Rix, City Clerk