

CITY OF MARION – REGULAR MEETING

July 23, 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 July 23, 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 July 9, 2012 Regular Meeting were approved with the correction of adding “utility location” to motion made by Commissioner Patton on the approving of the request for boring on the property of the Pilot Truckstop. The July, 9 2012 Public Hearing minutes were approved.

The approval of the repairs to the Aerial Apparatus (Tower Equipment) for the Fire Department was tabled to the next meeting.

The Ratification of the Fire Fighters Contract 2012-2015 was tabled due to the council members not having received a copy of the proposed contract.

Commissioner Rinella announced the hiring of Allison Maynard for the Clerk Cashier position in the Water Department, and also the hiring of Collin Basham, former part-time employee with the Cemetery Department, as an outside laborer in the Water Department.

Commissioner Goss presented the bids for the Marion Gas Tax overlay asphalt bids for the 2012 asphalt program. E.T. Simonds bid was \$326,917.12; Southern Illinois Asphalt Co. bid was \$334,292.48; Short Brothers bid was \$276,147.20. Commissioner Goss made a motion to accept the bid of Short Brothers of \$276,147.20. Commissioner Rix seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES.

Commissioner Patton presented two bids to replace the Hvac system in the lab at the Sewer treatment plant. Gwaltney Heating and Cooling bid \$4,950.00 and Ponder Service, Inc. bid \$5,695.00. Commissioner Patton made a motion to accept the bid of Gwaltney Heating and Cooling for \$4,950.00. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve the repair of the second pump at the Halfway Road lift station at a cost not to exceed \$6,500.00. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES

Mayor Butler recognized Jim Marlo, Candidate for Williamson County Commissioner attending this evening’s meeting.

Mayor Butler informed the Council that Illinois law allows municipalities to aggregate electric load of residential and small business customers for the purpose of seeking an alternative electric supplier. The City of Marion must pass a referendum by a majority vote in order to implement an opt-out program for the Energy Aggregation. The last day to file for a November referendum is August 20, 2012. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to submit a referendum for the opt-out program to be placed on the November 2012 ballot. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES

Mayor Butler reported one contractor had submitted three different bids for the work to be done on the concrete on the Tower Square Improve project. Commissioner Goss suggested he would like for the bids on the Tower Square to be tabled for further discussion and investigation on the processes discussed.

Mayor Butler announced the Illinois Municipal League Annual Conference is scheduled for October 18, 19, and 20, 2012. Mayor Butler recommended anyone who hasn't attended before should attend the conference.

Mayor Butler reported that on Friday July 13, 2012 the City of Marion was awarded the StormReady recognition by the Local StormReady Advisory Board for Southern Illinois. They were very complimentary of Marion's storm readiness much in part to Emergency Management Director Donna Stotlar, Fire Chief Jack Reed, and Police Chief John Eibeck.

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

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve payment of the July 23, 2012 Consent Agenda as funds become available. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES.

7:00 P.M.

Commissioner Rix made a motion to go into Executive session to discuss a Real Estate matter and a personnel matter. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES.

8:00 P.M.

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

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES.

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve retaining Councilman – Hunsaker of St. Louis as Consultant to draw up a comprehensive operational business plan for the proposed recreation center at a cost not to exceed \$12,500.00. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES.

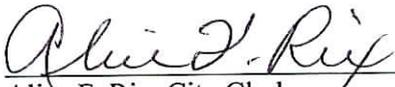
Commissioner Goss made a motion to continue the meeting to July 30, 2012. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR BUTLER VOTED YES.



Robert L. Butler, Mayor

ATTEST:



Alice F. Rix, City Clerk