

January 25, 2016

CITY OF MARION – REGULAR MEETING

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Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Marion held in the Council Chambers at City Hall January 25, 2016. 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 RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER.
ABSENT: NONE

The minutes of January 11, 2016 Regular Meeting and January 18, 2016 Special Meeting were approved as presented.

General Manager of the Hub Steve Ryan asked the Council to approve one new part-time employee for the Hub, Zachary Foulk as a Lifeguard II at \$9.50 per hour. Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve Zachary Foulk as presented. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

ORDINANCE 3291 – AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A SUBDIVISION PLATTED AS HAVEN CREST ESTATES INTO THE CITY OF MARION, COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON, ILLINOIS. ROYE AND ZELLER DEVELOPERS. Commissioner Rinella asked if all the Superintendents had signed off on the Subdivision. Brian Ziegler stated all the Superintendents had signed off. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve Ordinance 3291 accepting the Haven Crest Subdivision as presented. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

ORDINANCE 3293 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE REZONING OF THE SUBDIVISION HAVEN CREST ESTATES FROM RA- RURAL AGRICULTURE ZONE DISTRICT TO R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONE DISTRICT. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve Ordinance 3293 approving the rezoning of the Haven Crest Subdivision to R-1 Single Family Residential. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

ORDINANCE 3294 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE 2011 IDOT LOAN AGREEMENT AND 2012-2014 G.O. BONDS (MARION TIF I, GOLF/RESIDENTIAL TIF DISTRICT VII, MARION HEIGHTS TIF DISTRICT & MARION HEIGHTS II TIF DISTRICT) BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARION AND JACOB & KLEIN, LTD. AND THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LTD. The Professional Services Agreement will be carried out as explained in the body of the agreement. Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve Ordinance 3294 approving and authorizing the Professional Services Agreement with Jacob & Klein, Ltd and The Economic Development Group, Ltd. and the City of Marion. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the annual payment to the Williamson County Historical Society Museum in the amount of \$15,000.00 stating that helping the Museum out financially has made a tremendous improvement in the museum. They are now able to maintain regular hours Monday through Saturday. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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Commissioner Goss suggested that perhaps Glenn Clarida could contact IDOT to make preliminary inquiries into getting directional signs on Interstate 57 with information about the Williamson County Museum.

Mayor Butler stated the Council needed to discuss setting a charge/fee to contractors applying for a permit to lay underground cable (fiber optics). Attorney Steve Green will draw up an ordinance outlining specifics of the fees. Mayor Butler stated the City does not want to take advantage of the public but at the same time, we need to think about protecting the City against unknown damages incurred by the City when a contractor hits or breaks one of the other underground utilities.

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

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Rinella also made a motion to approve and pay the Consent Agenda dated January 25, 2016 as funds become available. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

Commissioner Goss stated that he would still like to re-visit the weight limit issues on our city streets. Attorney Steve Green will also work on the Ordinance concerning weight limits for the city streets.

Commissioner Rinella asked Mayor Butler and the Commissioners about the possibility of applying for a seat on the Rend Lake Conservancy District Board. Mayor Butler stated the City would have to file a petition with the Circuit Court and if it passes, then the area would be a part of the conservancy district. Mayor Butler went on to say that the size of Williamson County would entitle us to four or so seats on the board.

Mayor Butler stated he thought Jefferson County would oppose any such action. Another point to remember about becoming a part of the Rend Lake Conservancy District is that we would also be responsible for part of the Rend Lake debt. However, Mayor Butler did say that the idea of becoming part of the Rend Lake Conservancy District is worth exploring as every town in Williamson County uses Rend Lake Water.

Bruce Carter came before the Council telling the Council that his wife Mona does not want to be classified as retired. She was on thirty months temporary disability from the City and now she is classified as retired. Bruce said Mona never retired. Since the temporary disability time has ran out, the only options open to Mona at this time are to be stated as retired or terminated. If terminated, she not only would not receive a pension, but she wouldn't receive any insurance or she could purchase Cobra insurance. According to Bruce, IMRF is requesting that she be examined by a doctor of IMRF's choice to determine her eligibility for IMRF disability. Mona's personal doctor has declared her unable to work.

The next Regular Council meeting will be February 8, 2016 at 6:30 P.M

7:45 P.M.

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

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS RINELLA, HIGHTOWER, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR BUTLER ALL VOTED YEA.

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Robert L. Butler
Mayor Robert L. Butler

Alice F. Rix
City Clerk Alice F. Rix
Attest: 2-8-2016