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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 February 8, 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 25, 2016 Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

Resolution 2016-11 Resolution approving the budget line item “Recreational Fund” be removed as a Budget item and that the funds from that item be placed in the “Hub recreational fund”. Treasurer Steve Hale explained to the Council the budget line item “Recreational Fund” was a fund that the Recreation Board over saw with the funds being used for activities at the Youth Center. Since the Recreation Board was dissolved and the Youth Center is now the Training Center, Treasurer Hale thought the funds left in the “Recreational Fund” could be better used if transferred to the Hub Recreational Fund since the Hub now oversees the Youth Football, etc. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-11 as presented. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

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

City Engineer Glenn Clarida explained to the Council the change orders for the Hillview Way/Morgan Avenue improvements total \$42,551.69 over the approved amount of the project \$812,574.00.

Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve the change orders. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

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

Ordinance 3288 – An Ordinance regulating Truck weights on Certain Streets was discussed. Representatives from Republic Waste Services and Bulldog Trash Service were present and presented some of their views. Dan from Bulldog Trash Service of Harrisburg, stated that a smaller trash truck weighing fifteen tons would still be a problem, as the smaller truck with all the weight of the load centered over a single axle, would actually put more pressure on the streets than the larger size trucks with the weight spread over the double axles.

After much discussion Mayor Butler suggested to table Ordinance 3288 and to continue this meeting to next Monday February 15, 2016 at which time he asked the trash companies to bring their ideas of how they would reconcile the problems of street damage and at the same time the Commissioners will work on putting together an Ordinance that will be a reasonable solution to the problems of street damage caused by the heavy trucks. Mayor Butler expressed, “Hopefully with the discussion at the February 15, 2016 continued meeting, the Council will have an Ordinance ready to approve on February 22, 2016.”

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Commissioner Goss asked the Council to approve an emergency purchase of a backhoe from F. B. McAfoos & Company for the Cemetery Department to be billed in May 2016 but delivered sooner. The current backhoe at the Cemetery is over ten years old and is malfunctioning creating a lot of problems and possibly a safety hazard. With the trade-in of the old backhoe, the purchase price of the new backhoe would be \$27,577.00. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the purchase of the backhoe at a cost of \$27,577.00. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

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

Commissioner Goss also asked the Council to approve the purchase of a Graco Paint Striper at a cost of \$7,200.00. It is a budgeted item for this year for the Street Department. With the new paint striper, it will be possible to paint two different colored lines at the same time, instead of having to paint one line, clean all the paint out of the paint machine and then go back and paint the other line the different color. Commissioner Goss made the motion to approve the purchase of the Graco Paint Striper at a cost of \$7,200.00. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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Commissioner Goss asked the Council to approve the purchase of a Tapco Sign Machine with accessories for \$15,000.00 again from the 2015-2016 budget. With this new machine, the Street Department will be able to make most of the street signs that they now have to purchase. Commissioner Goss estimated the Tapco Sign Machine would pay for itself in three years in the savings the Street Department would realize by not having to purchase the signs. Commissioner Goss made a motion to purchase the Tapco Sign Machine at a cost of \$15,000.00. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

Mayor Butler explained the Stipulated Agreement 1889 between the State of Illinois acting by and through the Illinois Commerce Commission, the Union Pacific Railroad Company and the City of Marion concerning the renewal of surfaces at the following highway-rail grade crossings of the Union Pacific Railroad Company's Tracks in Marion, Illinois: Union Street (AARDOT #167656K, railroad mile post 316.5) and Main Street (ARR/DOT #167657S, railroad milepost 316.57). The project is to be funded 100% by the Department of Transportation and Union Pacific Railroad. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the Stipulated Agreement 1889 as presented. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

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

City Engineer Glenn Clarida explained to the Council the "Letter of Understanding" concerning the improvement to the intersection of Illinois Rte. 13 and Norman Road on the east side of Marion from the Illinois Department of Transportation. The scope of the work consists of reconfiguring the existing intersection into a Restricted Crossing U Turn (R-Cut) configuration. This R-Cut design is used to eliminate crossing traffic movements of Illinois Route 13 with the intent to make this a safer intersection. IDOT is looking at a June "letting". Glenn said he will contact IDOT Tuesday morning to see if they will approve the alignment of Norman Road with concrete instead of hot mix asphalt as the concrete will last hold up much better. Commissioner

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Rinella made a motion to approve the “Letter of Understanding” with the stipulation to add concrete in place of the hot mix asphalt. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

Mayor Butler stated a few months back the Council voted to approve the sale of property in Butler Industrial Park to Dan Shasteen, James Shasteen, Mark Shasteen and Lyndon Forby. The buyers now wish to have the name on the Deed to read Forteen, LLC., which is another company owned by the same four individuals mentioned above. Property will still be used for same purposes as previously stated. Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve the name of Forteen, LLC. as the Buyer’s name on the deed for the sale of the eleven acres in Robert Butler Industrial Park to James Shasteen, Dan Shasteen, Mark Shasteen and Lyndon Forby with the property being used for the same purposes as previously stated. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

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

ORDINANCE 3296 – AN ORDINANCE ADDING TERRITORY TO THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY ENTERPRISE ZONE – CITY OF MARION. Dr. Craig Smith has purchased property on the south side of Rt. 13 to build a veterinary clinic, much larger than his present clinic just down from the airport. The first one hundred to two hundred feet will be in TIF I. The rest of the property, if in an Enterprise Zone, would be exempt from sales tax on any construction materials. City Administrator Gail West stated access to the property will be off of Meadowland Parkway. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve Ordinance 3296 adding territory to the Williamson County Enterprise Zone as presented. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

Director of Marion Carnegie Library David Patton asked for new job descriptions for the personnel working at the Library since there are now three fewer staff people than when the current job descriptions were written and approved. Director Patton submitted the revised Job descriptions to incorporate the duties of the three vacant staff positions. The new descriptions are more consistent and clearer to the staff. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the new Job Descriptions for the Library. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

The waiver of fee for the sewer bore for the Habitat for Humanity was tabled to await further information.

Mayor Butler read a letter a letter from the Delta Regional Authority Co-Chairman, Christopher A. Masingill, inviting the City Council Members and economic development leadership to a series of two-day intensive training with two modules being offered free of charge. Module A will cover strategic economic development leadership and will be held in Marion April 25-26, 2016. Module B, focusing on economic resilience and strategies to align and deploy resources for community and business recovery in the aftermath of a disaster will be held in Red Bud June 9-10, 2016. Mayor Butler asked the Council Members to consider attending the Marion sessions, especially since they are offered for free.

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

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Commissioner Rinella also made a motion to approve and pay the Consent Agenda dated February 8, 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 Rinella stated he has been working with the Park District to get something organized at Ray Fosse Park on Memorial Day. They will have vendors set up at the Park on Memorial Day cooking and selling their items. Mike Pinto, Manager of the Southern Illinois Miners Baseball team has obligated the Minors to be there to do activities with the kids and possibly do some instructional seminars.

Commissioner Goss reported in January there were eleven burials at the cemetery with six cemetery lots sold – together the burials and cemetery lots sold totaled \$7,200, with 10% of the cemetery lots sold going to the Cemetery fund.

8:30 P.M.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to continue the meeting to Monday, February 15, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. with Commissioner Goss seconding the motion.

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



Mayor Robert L. Butler



City Clerk Alice F. Rix

Attest: 2-23-2016