

April 11, 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 April 11, 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 March 28, 2016 Regular Meeting were approved as presented along with the minutes from the Special Meeting of April 04, 2016,

Kenneth Cannon and Richard Cannon came before the Council asking permission to install a plaque with an engraved picture of their brother Joseph Cannon on the plaque. They would like to install the plaque out on Skyline Drive as a memorial to their brother. Graphics Galore will be doing the plaque. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve placing the plaque on a pole or block platform. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

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

ORDINANCE 3310 -- AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY OF MARION BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2016 to APRIL 30, 2017 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,370,255.00. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve Ordinance 3310 as presented in the Public Hearing. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

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

Treasurer Steve Hale presented the Budget software from Microix for the Treasurer's office with the cost at \$3, 993.75 plus ten hours of web-based training at \$1,750.00 for a total of \$5,743.75. Steve told the Council currently the Treasurer's office uses Excel Spreadsheets to produce the budget. The new program is designed to work with the Treasurer's office current accounting program, which will streamline the process. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve the purchase of the Budget software from Microix for the Treasurer's office at a total cost of \$5,743.75. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve the purchase from Midwest Meter, Inc. for the water main materials at a cost of \$10,706.35 to replace the water mains on Copeland Street from Vicksburg to Bentley. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

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

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Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve the emergency repair of a one of the Sewer plant pumps at a cost of \$10,451.49 from Flanders Electric Motor Service of Illinois, Inc. The expense will come from the current year's budget. A new pump to replace this one would cost \$30,000 and would take fourteen weeks for it to get here. Commissioner Rinella seconded the vote.

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

Police Chief Dawn Tondini explained to the Council the in-car video cameras currently in use in the Police Squad cars are over ten years old and are no longer dependable. The Police Department has been able to give one of the new cameras a trial run and have been very pleased with the way the camera operated. The new in-car video cameras are available from Data911 at a cost of \$136,155.00 plus shipping of \$1,131.00 for a total cost of \$137,286.00, which was budgeted for the 2016-2017 fiscal year budget. Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve the purchase of the twenty nine new cameras from Data911 at a total cost of \$137,286.00. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

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

Commissioner Webb also made a motion to increase the hourly rate of Greg Jones, part-time clerk for the Fire Department, from \$11.00 per hour to \$11.50 per hour. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

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

City Engineer Brian Ziegler stated Wiggs Excavating, Inc. had done the drainage work at the Westernaire and Eastgate Subdivisions on a contract with an original price of \$148,987.00. Some additional work needed to be done on a drainage ditch along Broeking Road along with removal and replacement of a CMP Storm Sewer in Summerfield Subdivision, at a total cost of \$83,244.00 for both of these jobs. The contract time will be increased by 276 calendar days making the completion date May 31, 2016. Brian told the Council it is easier to get a Change Order approved than to go through the whole process of rebidding a job and also less costly. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve Change Order # 2 for Wiggs Excavating, Inc dated February 2016 in the amount of \$83,244.00. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

Harold Powell asked approval through the Code Office to set a double-wide manufactured home on a block foundation at 700 N. Washington. He had formerly asked permission to set his manufactured home on a lot on Vinewood with an entrance from Lehigh Street, but the entrance from Lehigh Street wasn't doable. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve setting the double-wide manufactured home on a block foundation at 700 N. Washington Street with Commissioner Rinella seconding the motion.

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

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On April 7, 2016 Fire Chief Odum, Firefighter Boyd and Firefighter Williams inspected the Marion Carnegie Library located at 206 S. Market Street. At the conclusion of their inspection and after reviewing the NFPA 101 Life Safety Code and International Fire Code, several deficiencies were found with the electrical at the Library. The Fire Department recommended to have the electrical system upgraded. Bruce Electric Service, Inc. submitted a bid for all the suggested work and corrections, furnishing material and labor – complete in accordance with the Fire Department’s suggestions for the sum of \$8,500.00. Commissioner Goss made a motion to accept Bruce Electric’s Bid of \$8,500.00 with Commissioner Rinella seconding the motion. Commissioner Webb noted that in the future he thought all jobs should be put out for bid. City Administrator Gail West stated Bruce Electric was contacted for this job because they are the contractor who did the initial electrical work on the Library and thus were most familiar with the wiring system at the Library and also, it is very important to get this work done before school is out when the Library has more children present for all the summer programs.

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

Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve Rashad Rucker as a full-time seasonal position of Summer Camp Counselor at \$8.50 per hour for the Hub with Commissioner Rinella seconding the motion.

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

Mayor Butler asked if anyone had received any comments from Fred Thompson concerning the lake out on Whippoorwill/Saluki Drive area. Mayor Butler said the council should follow up on this and get the problem resolved. Brian Ziegler stated he will check into the problem to see what can be done.

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 made a motion to approve and pay the Consent Agenda of March 11, 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.

Brian Ziegler stated Clarida and Ziegler Engineering will be doing more GIS work for the Sewer Department. The GIS helps the Fire Department to locate hydrants and lines before they ever get to a fire.

7:20 P.M.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a potential contract. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

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

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8:55 P.M.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to go out of Executive Session and resume the Regular Meeting with Commissioner Rinella seconding the motion.

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

The question was asked, "What kind of business does the City want to attract to Marion?"

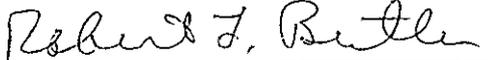
Attorney Steve Green suggested why not contact the owners of the old Circuit City Building, Dalfen American.

Mayor Butler stated home-rule and TIF are two of the best tools along with Enterprise Zone, but the principal development tools possibly won't work out there in the old Circuit City building.

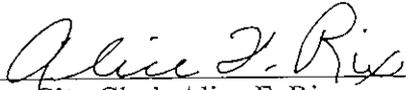
Suggestion was made for Terance and Gail to meet with Mr. Thomas Harness one of the Digital Marketing presenters.

Commissioner Hightower made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner Rinella 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
Attested: 4-26-2016