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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 August 22, 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 the August 08, 2016 Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

Miss Illinois Outstanding Teen Christine Bryant spoke to the City Council thanking the City of Marion and Mayor Butler for all of the support given to her as she recently competed at the Miss America's Outstanding Teen Pageant in Orlando, Florida. Miss Bryant was crowned Miss Illinois Outstanding Teen in June.

Joe Marshall came before the Council asking for a donation to help with the "Back to School Bash" which will be held in the Jones Park Saturday September 24, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The program is sponsored by the "Men of Ghents" and the Boyton Street Community Center. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to donate \$250.00 to help offset expenses for the event. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Marion resident Vicki Rogers stated she didn't know what the Nuisance Ordinance pertained. But across the street from where she lives the grass is overgrown, cars are parked all over, trash/junk is piled in the yard. The whole place is a real mess. Ms. Rogers stated she didn't think the other neighbors or herself, who live around this mess, should have to put up with it. Mayor Butler explained that property rights are one of the most precious right, but one can't exercise their rights to the detriment of others. Mayor Butler reported he had been in contact with Diana Etheridge, Director of the City of Marion Housing Authority about the possibility of more of the affordable housing. Ms. Etheridge stated that HUD hasn't provided anything recently, but the State of Illinois might be able to help. Mayor Butler said, "It is unfortunate these poor folks are forced to live in such squalor conditions."

After more discussion about adding abandoned vehicles to the list of nuisances, the Nuisance Ordinance was tabled to the next meeting.

City Engineer Brian Ziegler told the Council the manhole lining project is not a part of the projects being financed by TIF funds. Brian stated this has been one of Sewer Superintendent Brent Cain's budgeted projects for some time. Spectra Tech, LLC. from St. Louis, MO. bid \$39,882.50 on the Manhole Lining Project with the engineering cost projected at \$5,000.00 bringing the cost of the project to \$44,882.50. Brian told the Council Spectra Tech, LLC uses a three layer process to line the manholes. Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve

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the bid of Spectra Tech LLC at \$39,882.50 and the engineering cost of \$5,000.00 for a total project cost of \$44,882.50. 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 the Council needed to table the item to approve Sewer Televised proposals as only one proposal had been received.

Commissioner Goss asked the Council to approve the purchase of a 1-ton truck chassis equipped with dump bed and snow plow equipment. Two bids were received: Marion Ford bid \$44,961 for a 2017 F-Series Diesel; Absher Arnold bid \$44,980.00 for a 2017 Dodge Ram 5500 Cab and Chassis with a Cummins Turbo Diesel Engine. Commissioner Goss stated that Street Superintendent Doug Phillips had stated his preference for the Dodge Ram as the Street Department has had better service from the Cummins engines and the Dodge is only \$19.00 more than the Ford. The Bid from Woody's Municipal Supply Co. for the dump bed and the snow plow equipment was for \$21,723.00. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the purchase of the 1-ton truck chassis with the Cummins diesel engine from Absher Arnold at the cost of \$44,980.00 and the purchase of the truck bed and snow plow equipment at a cost of \$21,723.00 from Woody's Municipal Supply Co. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

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

Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve the hiring of the three following part-time employees at the Hub Recreation Center:

Madelynne Stroud, Lifeguard II at \$9.20 per hour.

Alexandra Weinhold, Swim Instructor at \$20.00 per hour and Lifeguard II at \$9.50 per hour.

Shoshanna Yoakum, Swim Instructor at \$20.00 per hour and Lifeguard II at \$9.50 per hour.

Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

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

City Administrator Gail West explained The Hub Recreation Center has a bid from Securitas of \$10,750.00 for a software upgrade to enable member identification of members so individuals who don't get day passes can be identified. The software is compatible with the current software. The cost of the software will come out of the equipment purchases for the Hub.

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve the purchase of the software upgrade from Securitas for the amount of \$10,750.00 with Commissioner Goss seconding the motion.

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

City Administrator Gail West told the Council that during a recent service call to the Marion Cultural and Civic Center, the technician from Fowler Heating and Cooling found a problem with a lead compressor causing it to trip breakers. The compressor has been temporarily disabled which is allowing the unit to run but at a reduced capacity. The replacement compressor price of \$7,672.00 includes the compressor and all the necessary parts

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along with the labor and the cost of the crane services to lift the compressor in and out. Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve Fowler Heating & Cooling's bid of \$7,672.00 to replace the compressor for the Marion Cultural and Civic Center. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

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

City Administrator Gail West explained that the Marion Cultural and Civic Center has recently lost three of their part-time employees who have left to return to their fall semesters at college. These are part-time employees who work less than twenty hours a week on an as needed basis. The names submitted for approval as part-time Marion Cultural and Civic Center employees to be paid \$9.00 per hour are: Jeffrey Keasler Bird, Tabitha Montalbano, and Kaleb Triplett. Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve the hiring of Jeffrey Keasler Bird, Tabitha Montalbano and Kaleb Triplett at the stated \$9.00 per hour. Commissioner Rinella seconded the motion.

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ORDINANCE 3349 – AN ORDINANCE ACCPTING A SUBDIVISION PLATTED AS MACK'S SUBDIVISION INTO THE CITY OF MARION, COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON ILLINOIS.

City Engineer Glenn Clarida stated he has looked at the plat of the subdivision and that this area is being made a subdivision to be in accordance with the County's Plat Act on the division of property since a part of the total property is being sold. The subdivision is located at the intersection of Court and Main Streets and contains 1.668 acres. Commissioner Hightower made a motion to accept Ordinance 3349 as presented with Commissioner Webb seconding the motion.

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

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 dated August 22, 2016 as funds become available. 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 Rinella told the Council plans have been made to hold the City of Marion Electronic Recycling Day October 8, 2016 at the Marion Training Center located on East Boulevard (formerly the old Teen Town). The hours to be announced at a later time. This recycling is for electronics only. There will be a charge to drop off an older box type T.V.

Commissioner Webb reported that lately he had received several complaints on mosquitos. With all the recent rains and the standing water, the mosquitos have really multiplied. The City's mosquito abatement team has been working diligently to spray for the mosquitos all over the City of Marion.

City Engineer Glenn Clarida told the Council the contractor is finishing up on Bainbridge tonight. With just one or two more streets to do before they are done, and the cost running \$15,000.00 under the budget, Oakshire street has been added to the list to receive the light oil and chip base for micro seal cover and then later covered with the cape seal. With this new process over 30,000 square yards of Marion City Streets have been covered at a huge savings to the City over the cost of the regular asphalt resurfacing.

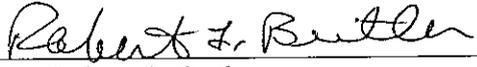
7:30P.M.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting with Commissioner Hightower seconding the motion.

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



City Clerk Alice F. Rix
Attested: 9-18-2016



Mayor Robert L. Butler