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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 26, 2018. Mayor Rinella called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Mayor Rinella led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. The City Clerk was instructed to call the roll and the response was as follows:

PHYSICALLY PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA.

The minutes of the 02/12/2018 Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

Dan Fox thanked Mayor Rinella and the City Council for restricting four city spaces in the City Parking lot for his Card Shop business, Pali Kai and John Brown's on the Square. Mayor Rinella spoke of the possibility of purchasing the vacant lot between the old Marion Daily building and the old American Legion building to utilize as a few more parking spaces for downtown.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Hightower stated he had misquoted the price of the Evoqua – Full service odor control pricing for 2018 in effect through 1/31/2019 at the last meeting. The correct pricing is Bioxide – \$2.94 per gallon delivered in bulk, and Odophos Plus - \$2.20 per gallon delivered in bulk with the prices approved by the per gallon price.

Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve the per gallon prices as stated above.

Commissioner Patton seconded the motion. There being no further discussion Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

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

NEW BUSINESS

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Hightower stated emergency repairs are needed to reline broken sewer lines on Castellano Drive from manhole to manhole with an estimated cost of \$5,600.00. Sewer Superintendent Brent Cain had said it would cost a lot more to dig the old lines up and replace with new lines. Skuta Construction will do the work with the cost being less expensive than hiring one of the out-of-state companies. Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve Skuta Construction to reline the broken sewer lines at an estimated cost of \$5,600.00. There being no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

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

WATER DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve the hiring of Jeremy Norris as a laborer in the Water Department with benefits and rate of pay as per Local Laborers Union 773 Contract dated May 2015 through April 2019. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion. Commissioner Patton said Mr. Norris' start date would be March 5th. There being no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

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

CEMETERY

Commissioner Patton stated after researching the work to be done at the Goddard Chapel he approves the proposed work. Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve the contract with Covenant Church Furniture, approving the work to be done as stated in the contract and to approve paying one half of the contracted amount of \$35,145.00 pending the approval of the mock-up of the stained-glass windows. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Webb stated Fire Chief Jerry Odum asked the Council to approve White and Borgognoni preparing an estimate for an architectural proposal for demolition of the old Farm Fresh building and building an addition to the south side of the existing fire station to house three truck bays. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion. Mayor Rinella said he still has a big commitment to build a fire station on the east side of Marion, but the cost to do that would be five to six million and still more to provide the manpower to man the station. There being no further discussion Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

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

Commissioner Webb asked the Council's approval to advertise the City owned property on East Main Street for sale. Funds from the sale of the property could then be used for the above project. Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve advertising the property on East Main Street for sale. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion. There being no further discussion Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS HIGHTOWER, PATTON, WEBB, AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA. COMMISSIONER GOSS VOTED NO.

STREET DEPARTMENT

Street Department Superintendent Doug Phillips asked for Council approval for emergency repairs to rebuild the main pump on the Vactor truck used for storm drainage maintenance. Cost of repairs is \$9,415.00. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the above repairs. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion. Superintendent Phillips said the repaired Vactor truck was a lifesaver last weekend. Commissioner Goss complimented the Street Department personnel for the job they did keeping the water draining last weekend. The men had been out cleaning ditches, unclogging drains and getting barricades ready to be placed. They were able to hold the water to a minimum. Superintendent Phillips stated he was very proud of all the department. Mayor Rinella asked if there were any more comments or questions. There being none, he called for the vote.

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

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Street Superintendent Doug Phillips stated the City's bucket truck has now been repaired. The truck had been awaiting repairs since shortly after Christmas, in case anyone was wondering why the Christmas decorations on the Clock Tower had not been taken down. Doug said the Christmas decorations would be coming down Tuesday morning.

Street Superintendent Doug Phillips asked Council approval to purchase a replacement engine for the Caterpillar 307 track hoe. The old engine is past rebuilding. The estimated cost is \$9,305.00 with a warranty on the new engine. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the purchase of the new engine for the Caterpillar 307 track hoe at an estimated cost of \$9,305.00. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

Street Superintendent Doug Phillips asked Council approval to purchase road and parking lot paint and beads – cost \$21,000.00. Buying in bulk saves on the cost and \$1,300.00 in shipping. This is a budgeted item. Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the purchase of the road and parking lot paint and beads at a bulk price of \$21,000.00. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

HUB RECREATION CENTER

Hub General Manager Chris Georgantas recommended the following new part-time employees:

Lori Shelley – Group Aquatic Instructor \$20.00/hour

Brandon Lynn – Front Desk Attendant \$9.00/hour, Café Attendant \$9.00/hour, Fitness Attendant \$9.00/hour, Basketball Sports and Rec Staff \$8.50/hour

Commissioner Hightower made a motion to approve the new part-time employees as stated above. Commissioner Goss seconded the motion. There being no questions or discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

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

Council approval of White & Borgognoni Architects bidding of the Hub Recreation Center building envelope repairs was moved to the Executive Session.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

ORDINANCE 3429 – AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2343 FOR ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE.

Ordinance 3429 was tabled to a future meeting.

Code Manager Kathy Spicer stated the Council had already approved for the City to advertise the properties for sale by bid with minimum bids listed for each property with the City retaining the right to refuse any and all bids.

SENIOR CITIZENS

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Commissioner Hightower made a motion to hire Carletta Hanks as Clerical substitute part-time at \$11.00 per hour as needed at the Senior Citizens Center. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

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

MARION CULTURAL AND CIVIC CENTER

City Administrator Gail West asked Council approval to hire Russell McCann for full-time Custodian at \$9.50 per hour with a 90 days probation period, then increase to \$12.50 per hour to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of J.W. Eibeck.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve Russell McCann for full-time Custodian as stated above. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

City Administrator Gail West asked Council approval to hire the following two individuals as part-time Custodial at \$9.00 per hour. They would be working after shows and events as needed.

Corbin Vaughn

Nicholas Meneese

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve Corbin Vaughn and Nicholas Meneese for the part-time Custodial positions as stated above. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

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

MARION TRANSFER STATION

The presentations from Bulldog, Inc. and Republic Services were moved to Executive Session.

ICE-MILLER INVOICE.

City Treasurer Steve Hale explained to the Council the City had employed Ice-Miller Legal Counsel to do a Review of the City's Health Benefit Package. Ice-Miller reported the City's Health Benefit Package as suitable. The total of the invoice is \$6,453.00. Commissioner Goss made a motion to pay the invoice as stated above. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 3430 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE TIF REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARION AND MARION SELF STORAGE, LLC. (Lee Webb)

City Administrator Gail West stated this is the Self-storage building on Carbon Street. Mr. Webb has purchased additional property and wants to add it to the Redevelopment Agreement for land acquisition and site preparation.

Commissioner Goss made a motion to accept and approve Ordinance no. 3430 as presented. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Mayor Rinella called for the vote.

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

REAL ESTATE CONTRACT

Council approval of Right of Way property proposal at Carbon and Main Streets was moved to Executive Session for discussion.

Commissioner Webb gave the January Police Report with 9 City Ordinance Violations, 20 Warrant Arrests, 83 Accident Reports and 3 DUI's.

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

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

Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve and pay the Consent Agenda dated February 26, 2018 as funds become available. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

Mayor Rinella apprised the Council of a recent meeting with Dr. Keith Oates, Unit 2 School Board President Mike Absher, other School Board members, City Administrator Gail West and Chief of Police Dawn Tondini and himself. Dr. Oates and the school board members were asking for costs of a "Resource Person" to work 174 days (school days a year), starting August 2018 and what help the City could offer. City Attorney Steve Green will be working on an Inter-Government Agreement.

Mayor Rinella stated, "This is not a cure-all, but a step in the right direction. If we protect our children it's worth it. The officer would be stationed at the High School but would go to the other school on random dates. The School and the Police Department will interview prospective officers."

Commissioner Patton stated, "Relationships with the kids is very important."

7:15 P.M.

Commissioner Patton made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a Real Estate Contract, a building repair contract, and hear proposals for management of the Marion Transfer Station. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

10:27 P.M.

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

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

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Open Session 10:28 P.M.

Commissioner Patton made a motion to approve White & Borgognoni to proceed with bidding process for the Hub Recreation Center building envelope repairs. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

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

Commissioner Goss made a motion to draw up a contract to award the management of the Marion Transfer Station to Republic Services with the contract stating the following:

- A. Republic Services will have a single axle truck to use in the City of Marion within 45 Days.
- B. If Republic Services has more than six (6) violations per year, contract will be subject to cancellation.

Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

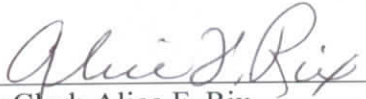
ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, WEBB, AND GOSS AND MAYOR RINELLA VOTED YEA. COMMISSIONER HIGHTOWER VOTED NO.

Engineer Glenn Clarida was instructed to proceed with the negotiations for the property at West Main and Carbon Street.

There being no further business Mayor Rinella called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Goss made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Hightower seconded the motion.

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

Meeting adjourned 10:32 P.M.



City Clerk Alice F. Rix
Attested: 3-12-2018



Mayor Anthony L. Rinella