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Regular Council Meeting
Monday, October 23, 2017
4:30 PM

The regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Marion, Kansas was held Monday, October 23, 2017 with Todd Heitschmidt presiding as Mayor; and Council Members John Wheeler, Melissa Mermis, Chris Costello and Jerry Kline in attendance. Also in attendance were: Roger Holter, City Administrator; Tiffany Jeffrey, City Clerk; Margo Yates, Parks & Recreation Director; Marty Fredrickson, Street Superintendent; Randy Collett, Economic Director; Susan Robson, City Attorney; Clayton Garnica, Electrical Supervisor; Jason Tidd, Marion Record and Mike Beneke.

Invocation: No invocation provided.

Call to Order: Heitschmidt called the regular meeting to order at 4:30pm following the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda: Heitschmidt moved to approve agenda as presented; Mermis seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Public Forum: No one wished to address council at this time

Consent Agenda: Heitschmidt moved to approve consent agenda; Wheeler seconded; motion carried 5-0.

- Approval of the Minutes of the September 9th Regular City Council Meeting
- Approval of Warrants in the amount of \$186,167.14
- Approval of Payroll in the amount of \$30,897.12
- Approval of September Treasurer's Report
- Approval of 3rd Quarter Financial Publication

Resolution 17-14 Lease Purchase Agreement with Central National Bank: Heitschmidt presented the lease purchase agreement with CNB along with Resolution 17-14. Mermis moved to approve Resolution 17-14 lease purchase agreement with Central National Bank for the trash truck; Costello seconded; motion carried 4-0 with Heitschmidt abstained.

Land Bank Presentation: Holter gave a slideshow presentation on a land bank. Holter advised the initial board of the land bank would be the Council members. Holter asked Council for their consideration and approval of a land bank for the City.

Ordinance 1424 - Establishment of Land Bank: Heitschmidt moved to approve Ordinance 1424 the establishment of a land bank; Wheeler seconded; Costello asked if other Cities have had success with this program. Holter advised Greensburg & Lyons have had great success. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Lease Agreement with The Building Center: Collett reported that he has been trying to get the two businesses The Building Center and Marion Marble & Granite to come to an agreement on the old rail bed property behind both the businesses' shops. Collett advised The Building Center's yearly lease would be \$75.00 for ¾ of an acre while Marion Marble's yearly lease would be \$50.00 for ½ of an acre. The two business owners have met and worked out all access and boundary issues as presented in the agreements. Heitschmidt moved to approve the lease agreement with The Building Center; Costello seconded; motion carried 4-0 with Wheeler abstained.

Approval of Lease Agreement with Marion Marble & Granite Works: Heitschmidt moved to approve the lease agreement with Marion Marble & Granite Works; Wheeler seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Appreciation Letters for Support of Municipal Bond Offerings: Holter requested Council's support of the appreciation letters for support of Municipal Bond Offerings being sent to several individuals for their work done. Heitschmidt moved to approve the support of the letters of appreciation be sent for support of Municipal Bond Offerings; Wheeler seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Discussion of KDOT 57 TE-0444-01 Agreement: Holter advised that bid letting for the downtown project will be in 3 weeks. He received a letter stating what the grant portion of the project would be and what the local match must be. KDOT has new regulations on the concrete type which could add potential costs to the project as it would have to be hauled in. Holter advised there is a possibility that our local match could be \$160,000 more than what we have budgeted. Holter advised that we can always reject the bids if they don't fall within our budget authority. Holter recommended to go ahead and sign the acknowledgement letter and determine at the bid letting if we want to accept or deny. Heitschmidt moved to allow Holter to sign the letter concerning our local matching funds for TA-T044(401); Costello seconded; Wheeler asked when the project would start. Holter advised in the March timeframe but no later than May. Motion carried 5-0.

Messaging Matters Presentation: Heitschmidt requested to pass item 13 at this time.

Mayoral Report: Nothing more to report.

Administrator Report: Holter reported that he will attend Westar meeting tomorrow at 10am and November 2nd is the Kansas Power Pool rates meeting.

Parks & Recreation Report: Nothing more to report.

City Clerk Report: Nothing more to report.

Police Chief Report: Nothing more to report.

City Attorney Report: Nothing more to report.

Public Works Report: Nothing more to report.

Economic Development Report: Nothing more to report.

Public Forum: Mike Beneke thanked Council for their allowance and work on getting the County ambulance moved to the Auto House building.

Adjournment: Kline moved to adjourn meeting at 5:22pm; Heitschmidt seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Todd Heitschmidt, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Tiffany Jeffrey, City Clerk