

Marengo Village Council

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Minutes of the Council Meeting on February 8, 2017 at 7:00pm

Meeting was called to order by Mike Baker with council members Cherri Burwell, Robert Beck, Ron Margraff, John Brent, Earl Bennett and Becky Margraff present.

Minutes: Cherri Burwell moved to approve the minutes; John Brent seconds. Motion passes.

Bills: Cherri Burwell moved to pay all bills except Bennett Distributing, Becky Margraff seconds, Roll Call 6 yes 0 no, motion passes. Cherri Burwell moves to pay Bennett Distributing; Robert Beck seconds. 5 yes 0 no, Earl abstains, motion passes.

Public: Lillian Whited was here from the public requesting notice that was given to the public for the special meeting for the 1% tax. Mike addressed the public and said there are not enough people at the meetings to show the Village residents don't want the 1% tax. There are 4 people from the public at the meeting tonight. Mike let the public know that the Village is in need of volunteers to sit on different committees/boards for Marengo.

Old Business:

Plan 4 Land: Joe Clase presented packets for business owners for Council to review. Mike suggested that the packets be used more as information then as a required document with fees attached. Mike feels that the packet provides information that is required for businesses but business owners may not know of the requirements. Council discussed taking the zoning certificate out of the packet but still notifying business owners that the Village is zoned. Council discussed if a zoning certificate is required and they believe it may be for a new businesses and change of use of a business. Council discussed if existing businesses are required to get a zoning certificate and if it would anger existing business owners to fill out the paperwork. Council stated there is no requirement that an existing business have a zoning certificate. Council discussed the need to create a zoning certificate. Joe Clase stated that he didn't mind pre-filling out information for the businesses to lessen the burden on the business owner. Mike suggests 3 Council members and Joe Clase meet and go over the zoning code and suggest modifications. Ron Margraff, Cherri Burwell and Robert Beck volunteered to sit on the committee. Council decided to table the packet at this time.

Joe Clase also went over the bid packet the Morrow County Board of Commissioners is looking at using for the pavilion. He also went over options in case the bid comes in under budget the Village could include, such as handicap parking/bathroom. Council reviewed bid packet and legal advertisement. Council discussed some of the alternate options on the bid. The building will have a warranty. Cherri Burwell moves to authorize Mayor Baker to have authorization of bid state comments for the park pavilion; Robert Beck seconds, roll call 6 yes 0 no, motion passes.

Cherri Burwell moves John Brent as Delegate to Regional Council of Government; Robert Beck seconds, motion passes. Cherri Burwell moves Robert Beck as Alternate Delegate Designee; Becky Margraff seconds, motion passes.

New Business: Robert Beck moves to pass resolution accepting the amount and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor; Cherri Burwell seconds, roll call 6 yes 0 no, motion passes.

Mike informed Council that builders are interested in developing the property located on North Main St. They would like to put 3 story 12 unit apartment buildings. They would like to start with 2 apartment buildings. Marengo's sewage plant would need to be expanded. The sewer is running at approx. 45% of capacity. The property is zoned residential at this time.

Earl Bennett moves adjourn; John Brent seconds, motion passes.