Marengo Village Council

P.O. Box 310 Marengo, OH 43334

Minutes of the Council Meeting on July 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Village Hall

Present: Council Members: Ronda Siegfried Earl Bennett Ron Margraff

Mike Baker Brian Collins Robert Beck

Village Clerk: Hilary Ostrom Village Solicitor: Adam Landon

Mayor Austin Whited called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Minutes: Brian Collins moves to approve minutes from the June 14, 2023 council meeting; Mike Baker seconds; Roll Yes; Motion passes.

Jerry Bowling is here to demonstrate how GIS works with Council. Mike Baker wanted to thank Brian and Austin for trimming all the trees for road paving. Council had discussion on sewer repair and the pump station line at DG has been repaired.

Streets have been paved and cost for Smalls Asphalt was approx. \$6,000 over. Ron Margraff moves to pay the bills; Brian Collins seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes.

Council had discussion on members/Mayor that is up for re-election. Council had discussion on new sewer tank cost and having a time limit on estimates.

Hilary informed Council that she was not able to invest \$100,000 in CD because US Bank had provided a rate/term for individuals not Villages. The rate is lower for Villages. Earl Bennett moves to obtain \$100,000 CD up to 15 months, Ron Margraff seconds, Roll yes, Mike Baker no, Motion passes.

Mayor Whited would like to appoint Mike Baker to the JEDD board.

Committee Reports:

Community Improvement: Council discussed and reviewed signage for the Village. They discussed getting 3 signs, 2 going into the Village and 1 at the park. They also discussed where they would place the signs and easements. Mike Baker would like the trees that need to be taken down and trimmed to be done instead of spending money on signs. Council had discussion. Ron Margraff suggested adding something similar to a street sign so we have signage and save for nicer signs in the future. Council had discussion on park signage as well. Council will continue to plan for signs.

Fire & Safety:

Personnel: Village is still working on getting a zoning inspector.

Park: Cameras are ordered for the park. Ronda asked about the bricks at the park that need put in. Mayor Whited will work on getting them put in. Council discussed having a work day in the fall.

Zoning: Mike Baker moves to approve Jerry Bowling as zoning inspector; Ronda Siegfried seconds; Ron Margraff abstains; Roll yes; Motion passes.

New Business: Pump station is fixed and the roads are done. Mayor Whited will research restriping the roads and get them done. Council had discussion. Hilary reviewed sewer delinquency's with Council. Mayor Whited did the 3rd reading of the Codification ordinance. Brian Collins moves to approve; Ronda Siegfried seconds; Roll yes; Motions Passes. Hilary reviewed Estimated Resources with Council. Council had discussion. Ronda Siegfried moves to approve Estimated Resources; Robert Beck seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Ron Margraff moves to go into executive session to discuss ongoing litigation; Ronda seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Went in at 7:58 pm. Ron Margraff moves to go out; Went out at 8:09 pm. Robert Beck moves to adjourn. Out at 8:11 pm.