

Marengo Village Council

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Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on June 10, 2020 at 7:00pm at Village Hall

Present: Mayor Siegfried
Council Members: Ricky Caldwell
Gary Brian Collins
Robert Beck
Austin Whited

Village Clerk: Hilary Ostrom
Village Solicitor: Adam Landon

Mayor Tim Siegfried called the meeting to order.

Michel Anderson resigns as Council member effective May 14, 2020.

Minutes: Brian Collins moves to approve the minutes from May 13, 2020 meeting; Austin Whited seconds; Roll Yes; Motion passes.

Public: Mike Baker suggested to Council leasing or purchasing the property owned by Jack Fishburn on the corner of Main and Williams St. for community parking. Michel Anderson states several potholes still needs filled in the Village. He also states several houses still need to have weeds removed. There was discussion on cars in the Village that need towed.

Bills: Hilary reviewed bills with Council. Austin Whited moves to pay bills; Brian Collins seconds; Roll Yes; Motion passes.

Old Business: There was discussion on the CARES ACT funding available to cities, villages and townships. Council is still going to table tree removal quote for now. There was discussion on potholes still needing fixed in the Village. Council discussed making a list of the areas the potholes that still need fixed. There was discussion on getting an estimate for the truck repairs. There has been progress on the old grocery store but not all the repairs required are complete. There was further discussion. There was discussion on storm drains in the Village. Mike Baker stated an employee from the State said they can come out and camera the Village's storm drains. Mayor Siegfried will contact the State to make arrangements. There was discussion on the diameter of the storm drains. Austin Whited provided Council information on how trash day went. He stated one dumpster had several not allowed items disposed of but he removed them so the Village would not be charged. One dumpster was filled in 3 hours. Hilary reviewed the last 7 years of sewer revenue and expenses with Council. Council went over accounts assessed sewer accounts. There was discussion on different ways to increase revenue. There was discussion on sewer accounts, usage and additional accounts in the future. There was discussion on the cost to adding an account. There was further discussion on sewer.

Committee Reports:

Park: Mulch and gravel needed.

Fire and Safety: Board is determining an architect for Station 2

Community Relations: Nothing to report.

Zoning: Bulls Eye Pete submitted a permit for a metal fence. The old mill still has not been mowed, a letter has been sent. There was discussion on the catering business having zoning violations. There was discussion on cars being evicted from Bill Short's property on Liberty St.

New Business: Mayor Siegfried discussed the JEDD with Council. The funds from the JEDD would be divided by Highland Local Schools (55%), Bennington Twp. (20%), Village of Marengo (5%) and Big Walnut Joint Fire District (17.5%). A portion would go to JEDD board (2.5%). Mike Baker attended the Bennington Twp. meeting and informed Council of their discussion. Council had discussion. Hilary discussed the property tax levy. Brian Collins moves to adopt Resolution 2020-6-10; Austin Whited seconds, Roll yes: Motion passes. Mayor Siegfried discussed flags in the Village with Council. He discussed replacing 20 flags in the Village. There was discussion. Austin moves to purchase 20 flags; Brian seconds: Motion passes. Hilary will advertise for a Council member on the next sewer bill.

Robert Beck moves to adjourn. Out at 9:00 pm.