

**Marengo Village Council**

P.O. Box 310

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Minutes of the Council Meeting on June 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm at Village Hall

**Council Members present:** Robert Beck Mike Baker Ronda Siegfried  
Ron Margraff Brian Collins Earl Bennett

**Village Clerk:** Hilary Ostrom **Village Solicitor:** Adam Landon

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

**Minutes:** Brian Collins moves to approve minutes from the May 9, 2024 council meeting; Mike Baker seconds; Roll Yes; Motion passes.

Brian Collins moves to pay bills, Mike Baker seconds, Roll Yes; Motion passes. Morrow Co. Treasurer has requested \$20,611.54 returned from property tax that was paid out incorrectly.

**Old Business:** The JEDD Board did not meet last month. There was discussion on the agreement and percentages for members. Earl stated they are waiting on the survey to be completed for the annexation. Council had discussion. Adam Landon discussed the concern of sump pumps being drained into the sewer with Council. He has pulled some sample Ordinances and asked if we wanted to include anything for down spouts, drainage, etc. He also asked if we have any current Ordinances that address that. Council had further discussion.

**Committee Reports:**

**Community Improvement:**

**Fire:** Construction on Station 2 is continuing. **Personnel:**

**Park:** Randy has been working on the park and installing the fence.

**Zoning/Administrator:** The Village continues to work on correcting zoning issues at the old gas station. Council had further discussion. Jerry will get cost of towing the vehicles.

**New Business:** Sewer pump needs to be replaced and work is being done on replacement pumps. Village was awarded grant of \$1,474,110 grant from Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Grant. The Village has a match approximately 300K, including 140K for engineering. The Village can use the American Rescue Plan funds towards the matching funds. Mayor is applying for 140K loan from OWDA for Engineering. Mayor Whited discussed applying for two loans with Council of 140K and 160K from OWDA, which OWDA will combine once project is complete Council had discussion. Mike Baker moves to accept the grant; Robert Beck seconds; Roll Yes; Motion Passes. Mike Baker moves to approve seeking loans for the match; Brian Collins seconds; Roll Yes; Motion passes. Mayor Whited discussed the CBDG grant for 68K with Council and the sidewalk going to Dollar General was approved by the Commissioners. Our match is \$2,400. The Village is going to request Bart Dennison, County Engineer, to draw the plans. Bennington will contribute 1K towards the Villages match. There 6 first notices and 2 seconds notices for late sewers. Hilary informed Council the 2022/2023 audit has begun by the State Auditor's office. Robert Beck moves to adjourn. Out at 7:48 pm.