

Marengo Village Council

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Minutes of the Council Meeting on March 9, 2022 at 7:00pm at Village Hall

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

Village Clerk: Hilary Ostrom
Village Solicitor: Adam Landon

Mayor Austin Whited called the meeting to order.

Minutes: Mike Baker moves to approve minutes from the February 9, 2022 Council meeting; Robert Beck seconds; Earl Bennett abstains; Roll Yes; Motion passes.

Public: Jodi Snyder and Mike Foreman are here to talk about impact of Intel with Council. Mike stated expansion will occur in Morrow County and asked about sewer expansion study. Council had discussion. Council had discussion getting grants for sewer expansion. Council had discussion on development coming into or close to the Village. Council had discussion on condo's in Marengo. Council had further discussion on sewer system.

Mike Baker moves to pay the bills; Brian Collins seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes.

Old Business: Mayor Whited reviewed utility agreement with Council. Time Warner Cable agreement in not exclusive. Mayor Whited will check on Franchise agreement.

Committee Reports:

Community Improvement & Zoning: Mayor Whited sent sewer info to KEM.

Fire & Safety: Nothing

Personnel: Reviewed handbook and discussed hiring a new employee. Mike Baker discussed his concerns with the handbook with Council. He discussed having structured hours for employees. Council had discussion. The committee did not set structured hours due to needs for the Village arise anytime in 24 hours. The committee discussed having a 15-hour work week with structured hours but allowing for off hours work as well. Ron Margraff moves to accept Village handbook; Ronda seconds; Roll yes; Mike Baker no; Motion passes. Mayor Whited

discussed hiring a new employee for the Village at minimum of 15 hours a week. Council discussed the need to find an alternate to run the sewer plant when needed. Mike Baker moves to approve advertising to hire an employee for the Village; Robert Beck seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes.

Park: Hilary will call and get porta unit for park. American Legion donated an American Flag to the Village. Girl Scouts will plant flowers at the park.

Zoning: Don tagged a vehicle and Nichol's submitted a zoning application. Another letter will be sent to vacant home owners.

Tom Whiston stopped in to let the Village know the school approved the non-school TIF for 61/71 and other development in the area. He also reviewed grants the County has recently received as well as other topics happening in the County. He discussed the Morrow County Hospital with Council.

New Business: Mayor Whited informed Council the Village did not receive the OPWC grant. He then discussed repaving the roads with Council. Council reviewed road resurfacing plans presented by Mayor Whited. He proposed either 2, 5- or 6-year plan. Mayor Whited feels the Village may be able to get grants for the roads to help cover the cost. Mayor Whited will talk to Bart (Morrow Co. Engineer) about Issue 1, which is a grant. Council had discussion on the 229 paving. Council discussed the 2-year plan. Mike Baker moves to approve the 2-year plan; Robert Beck seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Council discussed drainage issues in the Village. Council had further discussion. Mike Baker asked Council if they would be interested in having the County take over the Village's sewer system. Council had discussion. Mayor Whited is not in favor of turning over the sewer. Council had further discussion on grants opportunities. Hilary reviewed perm appropriations with Council. Ron Margraff moves to approve perm appropriations; Ronda Siegfried seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Mayor Whited received a bid for GIS mapping for storm water system not to exceed \$8,000 from K.E.M. Earl Bennett moves to authorize the Mayor to approve a contract up to \$8,000. Ronda seconds; Motion dies. Mayor Whited discussed the records retention policy with Council. Mayor Whited informed Council the garage bay door 2 was fixed and he got a quote for the 3rd garage door for \$1850. Ron Margraff moves to approve purchase of new garage door opener; Mike Baker seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Mayor Whited reviewed a quote for \$5,680 for the control panel for the pump station at West Walnut. Earl Bennett moves to approve repair up to \$7,000. Mike Baker seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Council discussed road to West Walnut pump. Council discussed generator for the sewer plant not working. Mayor Whited is working on getting it repaired. Brian moves to go into executive session to discuss possible litigation and personnel; Mike Baker seconds; Went in at 8:52 pm. Brian moves to go out of executive session. Out at 9:12 pm. Mayor Whited reviewed Ohio Basic Code book cost with Council. Council had discussion.

Robert Beck moves to adjourn. Out at 9:22 pm