

Marengo Village Council
P.O. Box 310
Marengo, OH 43334

Minutes of the Council Meeting on September 14, 2022 at 7:00pm at Village Hall

Present: **Council Members:** Ronda Siegfried Robert Beck
 Earl Bennett Brian Collins
 Village Clerk: Hilary Ostrom **Village Solicitor:**

Mayor Austin Whited called the meeting to order. He introduced Ashley Miller to Council.

Minutes: Rhonda moves to approve minutes from the Aug. 10, 2022 Council meeting; Brian Collins seconds; Roll Yes; Motion passes.

Council reviewed bills and had discussion. Brian Collins moves to pay the bills; Robert Beck seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes.

Old Business: Mayor Whited spoke to Gage Goodman about fixing the washed-out driveway, he quoted \$2,750.

Committee Reports:

Community Improvement & Zoning: Committee did not meet. Next meeting will September 28th at 5:30 pm. The Ordinance meeting is scheduled for October 4th at 6:00 pm. Main St. will be closed at 12 on October 1 for Fall Festival.

Fire & Safety: Personnel: Nothing to report.

Personnel: The Village will need to hire a zoning inspector.

Park: The Village should be receiving funds from the grant this month.

Zoning: Council had discussion on abandoned house in the Village. Council had discussion on how to clean up a property and be reimbursed for its expenses. The Village could also take a property by eminent domain, but that process requires jury trial. The Village could also try to have the property determined a public nuisance. Council had further discussion. Tom’s Auto Service still has numerous cars on his properties. Council had further discussion.

New Business: Mayor Whited informed Council Dave and Ashley have been working hard and the sand filter repairs are almost done. Mayor Whited showed Council a newsletter that will be mailed out with hyper-reach fliers. Council reviewed and had no changes. Hilary informed Council how the audit for 20/21 was going. Council discussed sewer rates and Council/Mayor pay. Brian moves to go into executive session for contract negotiations; Ronda seconds; Roll yes; Earl abstains; Motion passes. Went in at 7:58 pm. Robert Beck moves to go out, Ronda Siegfried seconds, Went out at 8:06 pm. Earl Bennett moves to authorize the Village Solicitor to present the JEDD proposal to Bennington Twp. and if no objections from Bennington Twp. to the Highland Local Schools; Ronda Siegfried seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Earl Bennett discussed putting up a mailbox for the Village, Village will be doing that in the next 2 weeks. Mayor Whited gave Council his notes from his meeting with ODOT. Council reviewed his notes. Council reviewed Appropriation status with Hilary.

Robert Beck moves to adjourn. Out at 8:16 pm

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Minutes of the Special Council Meeting on October 4, 2022 at 6:00pm at Village Hall

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

Village Clerk: Hilary Ostrom

Village Solicitor: Adam Landon

Mayor Austin Whited called the meeting to order. Adam went over resolution number 2022-10-4, loan for new truck purchase as well as the loan information. Ronda Siegfried moved to pass Resolution 2022-10-4, Robert Beck seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Council had discussion about Tom's Auto Service. Council discussed JEDD agreement. Council discussed potholes in the Village. Mid-State paving is providing a quote to repair them but Council would like to get a dump truck load of patch to repair potholes.

Council reviewed Ordinances 90.01-92.99

Robert Beck moves to adjourn.