

Marengo Village Council

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Minutes of the Council Meeting on May 14, 2025 at 7:00 pm at Village Hall

Council Members present: Mike Baker Ronda Siegfried Ron Margraff
Earl Bennett

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

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

Minutes: Mike Baker moves to approve minutes from the April 9, 2025 council meeting; Ron Margraff seconds; Roll Yes; Motion passes.

Public: N/A

Council reviewed and discussed the bills. Mike Baker moves to pay bills; Ronda Siegfried seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes

Old Business: Mayor Whited is taking Mike Baker's position on the JEDD Board. Earl Bennett is still working on the annexation. Village is going to wait on updating sewer software. There was discussion on putting driveway matting under the stones.

Committee Reports:

Community Improvement: Memorial Day parade is May 26 at 10:30 am. Fall festival is Sept. 20th.

Fire:

Park: Council had discussion on rubber mulch for the park. Mike Baker moves to approve up to \$1,900 for rubber mulch, Ron Margraff seconds; Roll yes; Motion passes. Mayor Whited is going to repaint the basketball court. Council had discussion on purchasing additional property to expand the park. Mayor Whited spoke with Plan4Land about grant opportunities and presented options to Council. Earl Bennett approves Mayor Whited to negotiate with Patty Roberts on the purchase of property; Ronda seconds; Roll yes; Ron Margraff Nay; Motion passes

Zoning/Administrator: Mike Baker presented a lot split adjustment to Council for the property located at 68 Main St. 10' from South side of lot 135 to 134. Earl Bennett moves to approve the transfer of 10' on the south side of 135 onto lot 134 as shown by the survey by Steven Newell dated May 3, 2025, Ronda Siegfried; Roll yes; Mike Baker abstains; Motion passes. Mike Baker paid zoning fee with cash. Mayor Whited discussed vacating an alley with Council on lots 189-186 and 185. Earl Bennet moves to approve; Mike Baker seconds; Roll Yes; Ron Margraff abstain; Motion passes. Mayor Whited discussed zoning application cost for additional apartments in the Village. Jerry reviewed zoning violations with Council. Council had discussion on giving 10 days from notice received for mowing grass.

New Business: There are 5 sewers disconnect notices. Ronda Siegfried moves to go into executive session to discuss personnel; Went in at 8:04 pm. Ronda Siegfried moves to go out. Went out at 8:07 pm. Ronda Siegfried moves to increase Randy's hourly wage to \$18.00 an hour; Mike Baker seconds; Ron Margraff seconds; Roll Yes; Motion passes. Earl Bennett moves to adjourn 8:09 pm.