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Regular Council Meeting
Monday, June 27, 2022
4:30 PM

The regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Marion, Kansas was held Monday, June 27, 2022 at 203 N 3rd, Marion KS in the lower level at 4:30pm with David Mayfield presiding as Mayor and Council Members Zach Collett, Chris Costello, Ruth Herbel and Jerry Kline in attendance. Also, in attendance were: Roger Holter, City Administrator; Clinton Jeffrey, Police Chief; Tiffany Jeffrey, City Clerk; Margo Yates, Parks & Recreation Director; Zach Strella, City Attorney (via zoom); Chandler Gechter, Lineman; Phyllis Zorn, Marion Record; Casey Case, EMC Insurance; Ron Herbel and Justin Loomis.

Call to Order: Mayfield called the regular meeting to order at 4:30pm.

Approval of agenda: Herbel moved to approve agenda; Costello seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Public Forum – Limited to Agenda Items: No public wished to address Council.

Consent Agenda: Herbel moved to approve consent agenda; Collett seconded; motion carried 5-0.

- Approval of the Minutes of the June 9, 2022 Special City Council Meeting.
- Approval of the Minutes of the June 13, 2022 Public Hearing Meeting.
- Approval of the Minutes of the June 13, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting.
- Approval of the Minutes of the June 13, 2022 Budget Workshop Meeting.
- Approval of Warrants in the amount of \$339,042.49.
- Approval of payroll in the amount of \$36,614.26.
- Approval of Business License for Ramirez Auto Sales LLC at 214 E Main, Marion.
- Approval of Caterer's License for Tap Truck LLC.

Presentation of Apprenticeship Completion Certificate from the State: Mayor Mayfield presented Chandler Gechter with his certificate of completion of lineman apprenticeship program.

EMC Insurance Dividend Check Presentation: Casey Case presented the City with dividend check in the amount of \$14,572.67.

Property Maintenance Plan for 413 S 4th: Justin Loomis asked Council for 90 days to get the property issue resolved. Loomis advised that he has work to be completed inside. Discussion held. Mayfield asked Loomis if he would give permission to our City Inspector to go inside the property and do an inspection and then on the July 11th meeting a written plan can be presented to the Council. Loomis agreed. Chief Jeffrey advised he would get contact information from Loomis and a time will be set up for the inspection. Council mutually agreed.

Eric Meyer arrived at 4:35pm.

Approval of Intent to Exceed RNR Notice for the 2023 Municipal Budget: Costello moved to approve the intent to exceed the RNR notice for the 2023 budget; Kline seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Adoption of the IRS Optional Standard Mile Rates for the remainder of 2022: Holter reported due to the unusual inflationary pressures the IRS announced that from July 1st to December 31st they are

increasing the current mileage reimbursement rate. Mayfield moved to approve the new rate of 62.5 cents per mile; Herbel seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Approval of modification to the Code Enforcement & Building Inspection Job Description: Holter provided modification of job description of Code Enforcement & Building Inspection job description. Changes are provided in the packet. Herbel moved to approve; Costello seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance 1489 Refuse & Recycling process modifications discussion and approval: Holter provided analysis on recycling costs and process. Holter presented Ordinance 1489 setting a \$2/week fee for customers who want to recycle and set an organized recycle route. Holter advised that Councilor Herbel also proposed every other week recycling pick up with the same stipulations as Ordinance 1489. Costello moved to approve Ordinance 1489; Herbel seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Discussion regarding Bond issuance for Street Improvements: Mayfield advised that he is proposing using the 0.75% sales tax to complete some streets in the Industrial Park as we currently have lots unavailable due to lack of road infrastructure. Discussion held. Herbel advised that she would rather spend the money inside the city versus the Industrial Park. Costello and Collett advised bond market isn't going to go down anytime soon. Kline agreed to move forward. Holter asked for street consensus by July 11th meeting and advised he will have bond council here.

Discussion regarding downtown sign regulations: Collett advised that he has had several people approach him regarding downtown signage on buildings and changing the business signage that are perpendicular to the buildings. Herbel advised that signs that stick out clutter the beauty of the downtown. Mayfield asked for Yates to contact the businesses to see their interest. Item tabled until next meeting.

Mayoral & Council Report: Collett asked if we have heard anything back from WSU Strategic Planning. Holter advised that he will have it back before July 4th and will be on the next meeting agenda. Herbel asked Yates where the office rental space is located. Yates advised it is the office located on the north end of the Council Room.

Administrator Report: Nothing further to report.

Community Enrichment Report: Yates advised Merchants are planning a new Second Saturday event planned for July.

City Clerk Report: Nothing further to report.

Police Chief Report: Nothing further to report.

City Attorney Report: Nothing further to report.

Public Works Report: Nothing further to report.

Economic Development Report: N/A

Public Forum: No public wished to address Council.

Executive Session: Mayfield moved to enter into a 15-minute executive session to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for the purpose of discussion regarding applicant's request. Session to include Council and City Attorney (via zoom) to begin at 5:20 and resume at 5:35pm; Herbel seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Regular meeting resumed at 5:35pm. Eric Meyer, Phyllis Zorn and Roger Holter rejoined the meeting.

Mayfield moved to enter into a 15-minute executive session to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for the purpose of discussion regarding applicant's request. Session to include City Council and City Attorney (via zoom) to begin at 5:40pm and resume at 5:55pm; Costello seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Regular meeting resumed at 5:55pm. Eric Meyer, Phyllis Zorn and Roger Holter rejoined the meeting.

Mayfield moved to enter into a 10-minute executive session to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for the purpose of discussion regarding applicant's request. Session to include City Council and City Attorney (via zoom) to begin at 5:55pm and resume at 6:05pm; Herbel seconded; motion carried 5-0.

Regular meeting resumed at 6:05pm. No action taken. Eric Meyer, Phyllis Zorn and Roger Holter rejoined the meeting.

Adjournment: Kline moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:06pm; Mayfield seconded; motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST:


Tiffany Jeffrey, CMC, City Clerk


David Mayfield, Mayor