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Regular Council Meeting
Monday, December 12, 2022
4:31PM

The regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Marion, Kansas was held Monday, December 12, 2022 at 208 E Santa Fe, Marion KS in the lower level at 4:31pm with David Mayfield presiding as Mayor and Council Members Zach Collett, Chris Costello and Ruth Herbel in attendance. Also, in attendance were: Brian Bina, City Attorney; Mark Skiles, City Administrator; Clinton Jeffrey, Police Chief; Steven Janzen, Assistant Police Chief; Tiffany Jeffrey, City Clerk; Tim Makovec, Public Works Director; Steve Hart, Electrical Supervisor; Deb Gruver, Marion Record; Christian Pedersen & Lois Smith, Museum Board Members; James Ging, Kansas Power Pool.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:32pm.

Approval of agenda: Herbel moved to approve agenda; Costello seconded; motion carried 4-0.

Consent Agenda: Herbel moved to approve consent agenda; Collett seconded; Herbel asked about U.S. Cellular phone bill. T. Jeffrey advised that the U.S. Cellular phones are the supervisory phones that we still have, everything else has been cancelled. Motion carried 4-0.

- Approval of the Minutes of the November 28, 2022 City Council Meeting.
- Approval of Warrants in the amount of \$46,333.85.
- Approval of payroll in the amount of \$36,705.66.

Museum Board Members Recognition: Mayfield recognized Lois Smith for her commitment and dedication to the Museum Board and thanked her for her service to the Board. Christian Pedersen accepted the recognition for Pauline Holub for her commitment and dedication to the Museum Board for her years of service.

Consider & Take Action on Additional KPP Bond Funding for Marion Electrical Voltage Upgrade Project: James Ging gave a background of the Kansas Power Pool voltage upgrade project. Ging advised that there is an additional \$400,000 available to the City of Marion for the voltage project that could be used for additional pole replacements. Ging reported that the project has been able to handle with the original \$3.1M but moving forward would push the total to \$3.5M which is well under the \$4M agreement amount. The additional \$400,000 covers the inflation of material costs and the additional pole replacements. Discussion held.

Approval of 2022 Budget Amendment: T. Jeffrey presented the 2022 budget amendment as provided in the Council packets. Herbel moved to approve 2022 budget amendment; Costello seconded; motion carried 4-0.

30-minutes Executive Session to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) Session to include City Council and City Attorney: Collett moved that the governing body recess into executive session to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) to include City Council and City Attorney for 30 minutes to enter at 4:50pm and returned at 5:20pm; Deb Gruver read a statement that she believes that the reasoning to enter into executive is to generic and read an Attorney General's opinion. Bina advised that subject and justification have both been covered. Costello seconded; motion carried 4-0.

Regular meeting resumed at 5:20pm. Mayfield declared no action taken.

Mayoral & Council Report: Collett advised WSU will be providing an update on January 9th to Council on the strategic planning process.

Administrator Report: Christmas Community project is under way upstairs. Margo and ladies are getting this organized for the distribution.

Community Enrichment Report: Nothing further to report.

City Clerk Report: Nothing further to report.

Police Chief Report: Nothing further to report.

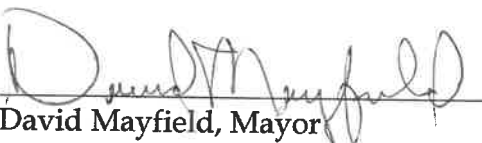
City Attorney Report: Nothing further to report.

Public Works Report: N/A

Economic Development Report: N/A

Public Forum: No public wished to address Council at this time.

Adjournment: Herbel moved to adjourn at 5:22pm; Mayfield seconded; motion carried 4-0.


David Mayfield, Mayor

ATTEST:


Tiffany Jeffrey CMC, City Clerk