

APPROVED
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**Marengo City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
City Council Chambers
132 E Prairie Street
Marengo, IL 60152
September 22, 2014
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Donald B. Lockhart called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Lockhart led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present this evening are Mayor Donald Lockhart; Aldermen Carole Bartman, Michael Smith, Nicole DeBoer (entered meeting at 7:02 PM), Gretchen Samuelson, Todd Hall and Steve Mortensen. Also present are Assistant City Administrator Joshua Blakemore, Finance Director Jennifer Snelten, Public Works Director Jayson Shull, Chief of Police Joseph Hallman, City Engineer Tim Hartnett, City Administrator Gary Boden and City Attorney Carlos Arevalo. Aldermen Matt Keenum, and Dennis Hammortree were absent.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 8, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Alderman Steve Mortensen made a motion, seconded by Alderman Michael Smith, to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2014 regular meeting. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Mortensen, Hall, DeBoer, Bartman, Smith and Samuelson
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

The motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **List of Bills**
- b. **Marengo Women’s Club Settlers’ Days Craft Fair Sign Request**
- c. **Ordinance Declaring Certain Municipal Property as Surplus**
- d. **Authorization to Execute Work Change Directives #14, #21, & #22 from Williams Brothers Construction for Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project**

Alderman Steve Mortensen made a motion, seconded by Alderman Todd Hall, to approve the Consent Agenda items. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Bartman, Smith, Mortensen, DeBoer, Samuelson and Hall
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Ordinance Adding a Class E Liquor License for Niko’s Pointers Saloon, 106 S. State St.**

Alderman Steve Mortensen made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gretchen Samuelson, for an ordinance adding a Class E Liquor License for Niko's Pointers Saloon at 106 S. State Street. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Samuelson, Hall, Mortensen, Bartman, DeBoer and Smith
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

The motion passed.

b. Presentation and Approval of Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Audit

George Roach, of George Road & Associates, reviewed the audit and answered questions from the Council members.

Alderman Carole Bartman made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nicole DeBoer, to approve the fiscal year 2013-2014 Audit. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Smith, Samuelson, Mortensen, Bartman Hall, and DeBoer
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

The motion passed.

c. Ordinance Rezoning the Properties at 136 & 154 N. State Street from M-Manufacturing to B2-General Business and Granting a Special Use Permit for Auto Repairs and Sales

Attorney Gottemoller, representing the properties involved in this request reviewed the rezoning request with the Council, answering questions posed.

Alderman Gretchen Samuelson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Carole Bartman, for an ordinance rezoning the properties at 136 & 154 N. State St., from M-Manufacturing to B2 – General Business, and granting a Special Use Permit for auto repairs and sales, with clarification (in section 2) on the number of vehicles for sale on lot to not exceed 20 on the exterior, and to delete item b, and to repair the potholes in the parking lot. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Hall, DeBoer, Mortensen, Smith, Samuelson and Bartman
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

The motion passed.

d. Authorization to Execute Agreement with 300 West LLC for Water Main Connection and Installation in the City of Marengo

Ed Coggin, with HR Green, spoke about this project and answered questions from the Council. There was concern expressed by Council members that the contract is not specific enough.

Alderman Carole Bartman made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gretchen Samuelson, to table agenda items d & e until the next regular meeting, for further review so that the Council members have more understanding of the ramifications of this. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Samuelson, Bartman and Smith
Nays: Mortensen, DeBoer and Hall
Abstain: 0

The motion did not pass.

There was not a majority vote to either table or to approve these 2 agenda items. The chairman decided that these two items would be removed from the agenda, and that there will be a special meeting on this next week – Monday the 29th of September.

e. Authorization to Execute Contract with HR Green for Design, Bid and Construction Engineering Services for Westside Water Main Installation Project

As indicated above, this agenda item will be discussed at the September 29th meeting.

f. Authorization to Execute a Recapture Agreement with Brackmann Construction Co. for U.S. Route 20 Properties

This item was pulled from the agenda.

g. Authorization to Execute a Recapture Agreement with Brackmann Const. Co for Phase 2 & 3 of Brookside Meadows Subdivision

This item was pulled from the agenda.

h. An Ordinance Amending Section 25.18 (F) of the Marengo Municipal Code to Clarify Consequences of Failure to Install Required Metering Equipment

Administrator Boden reviewed the proposed Ordinance and answered questions. There are currently 369 “stragglers” that have not either had the new transponders installed, or made appointments for the installation to be done.

Alderman Steve Mortensen made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nicole DeBoer, for an ordinance amending Section 25.18 (F) of the Marengo Municipal Code to clarify consequences of failure to install required metering equipment. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes:	DeBoer, Mortensen, Smith, Bartman, Samuelson and Hall
Nays:	0
Abstain:	0

The motion passed.

i. Discussion of a Proposed Intergovernmental Agreement with the County of McHenry with Respect to the Professional Engineering Services for a Full Interchange on Interstate 90 at Illinois Route 23

Tim Hartnett, with HR Green, updated the Council on the recent meeting with the McHenry County Board. The Board approved formal support for the construction of the I-90/Rt 23 interchange, with a vote of 19-4.

MAYOR’S STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

Mayor Lockhart had no report this evening.

DEPARTMENT HEAD AND STAFF REPORTS

Asst. City Administrator Joshua Blakemore had no further report.

Finance Director Jennifer Snelten had no further report.

Public Works Director Jayson Shull will be emailing a report to the Council.

Chief of Police Joseph Hallman had no further report.

City Engineer Tim Hartnett had no further report.

City Administrator Gary Boden reported that he had received an inquiry last week for marijuana growing.

City Attorney Carlos Arevalo had no report.

REPORTS AND STATEMENTS FROM CITY COUNCIL

Alderman Bartman asked that an updated copy of the new ward map be provided to the Council, and Administrator Boden said it has been received and would be getting it to the Council as soon as possible.

Alderman Bartman asked if the final numbers had been received yet on the Prospect Street project, and was advised that they did not have the complete list at this time. It would probably not be completed until late fall or early winter.

Alderman Smith asked if the Brackmann Recapture Agreement documents would be ready to review at the meeting next Monday, and Mayor Lockhart advised that it might take a little longer than that.

City Clerk Boxleitner noted that the American flags that are downtown are in sad condition. Public Works Director Shull will check into this.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. Personnel

Mayor Lockhart stated that the Council would be going into Executive Session for Personnel.

Alderman Steve Mortensen made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nicole DeBoer, to go to Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes:	DeBoer, Bartman, Hall, Smith, Mortensen and Samuelson
Nays:	0
Abstain:	0

The motion passed.

The Council recessed at 8:44 PM.

The Council reconvened at 9:13 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Steve Mortensen made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nicole DeBoer, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:14 PM.



Constance J. Boxleitner
City Clerk

These minutes were approved by the City Council on October 13, 2014.