

APPROVED
January 25, 2016

**Marengo City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
City Council Chambers
132 E. Prairie St.
Marengo, IL 60152
January 11, 2016**

CALL TO ORER

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 James Regelin (entered meeting at 7:03 PM), Matt Keenum, Michael Smith (entered meeting at 7:03 PM), Nicole DeBoer, Dennis Hammortree, Brett Martin, Todd Hall and Steve Mortensen. Also present are City Administrator Gary Boden, Chief of Police Joseph Hallman, Public Works Director Howard Moser and City Attorney Carlos Arevalo.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 14, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

Aldeman Nicole DeBoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Todd Hall, to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2015 Regular Meeting. The aldermen vote as follows:

Ayes: Keenum, Mortensen, DeBoer, Hall, Hamortree, and Martin
Nays: 0
Abstain 0
The motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. List of Bills
- b. Ratification of the Corrected Ordinance Abating the Tax Levied for Tax Year 2015 to Pay the Principal and Interest on the \$2,740,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2005 and the \$1,500,000 Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2010 and the \$4,975,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2014 for the City of Marengo, McHenry County, IL Executed by Mayor and City Clerk.

Alderman Nicole DeBoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Todd Hall, to approve the Consent Agenda. There were questions on the invoices on the List of Bills. Alderman DeBoer withdrew her motion. Alderman Hall withdrew his second.

Alderman Todd Hall made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nicole DeBoer, to approve the List of Bills. The Aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Smith, Keenum, Matin, Mortensen, Regelin, Hall and DeBoer
Nays: Hammortree
Abstain: 0
The motion passed.

Alderman Michael Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Todd Hall, to approve the Ratification of the corrected ordinance abating the Tax Levied for Tax Year 2015, to pay the Principal and Interest on the \$2,740,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2005, and the \$1,500,000 Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2010, and the \$4,975,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2014, or the City of Marengo, McHenry County, IL, as executed by Mayor and City Clerk. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Hall, DeBoer, Mortensen, Smith, Keenum, Martin and Regelin
Nays: Hammortree
Abstain: 0
The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Public Hearing Regarding an Annexation Agreement between the City of Marengo and Jack Pease with Respect to 80 Acres Located South of the Intersection of Meyer Road and Pleasant Grove Road and West of State Route 23

Attorney Arevalo advised the Council that Items b, c, d and e, would be removed from this evenings agenda, as the entities involved are still working on finalizing paperwork. The public hearing will open this evening, but no further action will be taken. It was agreed that this will be added to the agenda for the next regular meeting, for the Public Hearing Portion, but any vote on the Annexation and related Ordinances, would occur in February.

Mayor Lockhart opened the Public Hearing at 7:20 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present are Mayor Donald Lockhart, Aldermen Todd Hall, Nicole DeBoer, Michael Smith, Matt Keenum, Steve Mortensen, Brett Martin, Dennis Hammortree and James Regelin.

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING

Alderman Nicole DeBoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Matt Keenum, to open the Public Hearing. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Martin, Mortensen, Hall, Smith, Hammortree, Regelin, DeBoer and Keenum
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
The motion passed.

Attorney Arevalo advised that the notice for this hearing was published in the paper on the 24th of December, and documentation of that is on file in the clerk's office. There are amendments on file on this agreement, and those amendments are on file in the clerk's office for review by the Council and any person wishing to review them.

MOTION TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO A LATER DATE

Alderman Nicole DeBoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Steve Mortensen, to continue the Public Hearing to January 25, 2016. The aldermen voted as follows:

Ayes: Martin, Mortensen, Hall, Smith, Hammortree, Regelin, DeBoer and Keenum
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
The motion passed.

MAYOR'S STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

Mayor Lockhart advised that he will be out of town for the next regular meeting, and protocol is that the senior Council member would chair the meeting. That person is Alderman Hall. If he is unable to attend the meeting, the next in line would be Alderman Smith.

DEPARTMENT HEAD AND STAFF REPORTS

Public Works Director Howard Moser updated the Council on the 2 main breaks that occurred on his first day of employment, and the problems they encountered with making the repairs. He reported that the street crews handled the snow storm quite well. There were a couple of issues at the wastewater treatment plant- busted pipe in floor which was caused by a frozen pipe. It is being taken care of.

Chief of Police Joseph Hallman submitted a written report, and there were no questions from the Council.

City Administrator Gary Boden talked about an EDC meeting with UniCarriers on the possible expansion of their parking lots. He said that negotiations are still ongoing with Arnolds, 300 West LLC, the States Attorney's office, and IEPA. He is hoping to provide a report by the end of the month on this issue. He also updated the Council on the tollway project.

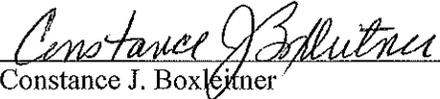
City Attorney Carlos Arevalo had no report.

REPORTS AND STATEMENTS FROM CITY COUNCIL

Alderman Regelin advised the Council that he would be out of the country from the 20th to the 26th, so he would not be in attendance at the next regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Nicole DeBoer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Steve Mortensen, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.


Constance J. Boxleitner
City Clerk

These minutes were approved by the City Council on January 25, 2016.