

# CITY OF MAROA MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 25, 2014

CITY HALL

7:00 pm

Clerk Edwards calls the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m., Mayor Agee asks Clerk Edwards take roll call. Aldermen Peart, Stoutenborough, Kissinger, Wilkey, Sims, Underwood, and Mayor Agee were present.

## Previous Meeting Minutes

Mayor Agee asks if everyone had a chance to go over the minutes. Alderman Kissinger made a motion to accept the July meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wilkey. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, Underwood and Stoutenborough vote aye. Alderman Sims abstains. Motion passed.

## Police Report

Chief Wilkey is present. Chief discusses the monthly activity report. Chief states that he had a meeting with high school for the annual review of crisis planning. Scheduled drills while there. Chief has the information about the harvest fest. Macon County will provide police for the beer tent. Chief discussed the mobile training unit changes. Chief will present a new resolution next month to the council regarding the changes.

## Attorney Report

Mike Antoline the attorney is present. Mike Antoline, attorney, has ordinance tonight reflecting the ordinance maps. Mike Antoline, attorney, will discuss in new business. Mike Antoline discussed ordinance violators and action to be taken. Reached Crystal Broadband and they will look at their documents and see what will be done about the satellite dishes. Determination will be made if we will remove the satellites or they will. Clerk Edwards states that there is a gentleman interested in bidding for the removal.

## Engineer's Report

Steve Bainbridge, Engineer is present.

## Zoning/Public Works

## Old Business

Locis module purchase was discussed by Clerk Edwards. Clerk Edwards states that PSN is partnered with Locis and if we add the module the residents will be able to view their bills online. They will know how much they owe and last payment made. If we add the module there

will be no entry or errors by our office. Now the payment entries all have to be made by the water clerk and there is the chance for error by posting wrong amount or to the incorrect account. Adding the module would also mean that when a person pays through his or her bank online, those payments would automatically be applied to the persons account and for many banks, this would mean no paper checks would be sent out so reduces the chance of being lost in the mail or being posted incorrectly. Right now the citizens are only able to go online and pay, they have no account information. Mayor Agee states you (council) have turned this down once before. Alderman Sims states that we have approved this once and then did not approve it. Mayor Agee states do you want this or not. Alderman Wilkey asks if it is in this year's budget, Alderman Stoutenborough states we do not have the \$1,500 this year to add it. Treasurer Peters states that it was to be in this year's budget but was not put in. Alderman Wilkey asks Alderman Stoutenborough if he will put it in for next year's budget, Alderman Stoutenborough states that he will put it in the budget.

### **New Business**

Kevin Buckley, Auditor, is here and discusses the audit findings. Alderman Wilkey states that he and Alderman Stoutenborough will call and make an appointment to come in and go over the findings after they have had a chance to read through everything.

Donald Ross, Zoning Board Chairman, addresses the council and presents the new zoning maps. There have been updates made. Attorney Antoline suggests the council act on the zoning maps tonight. Council discusses map. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to accept the approved zoning changes made to the map of the City of Maroa, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. Clerk Edwards takes poll, all in favor up to Alderman Stoutenborough who asks if this is for the ordinance. Alderman Wilkey states it is and amends his motion to say accept ordinance 08/25/2014-1. Alderman Stoutenborough seconded. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed. Attorney Antoline states that the ordinance 08/25/2014-1 deals with the rezoning of two lots and swimming pool. Attorney Antoline states that there does not have to be any action for the maps tonight. Attorney Antoline and Mayor Agee state the tag of the ordinance in the above motion is only for the maps, not for the ordinance.

Attorney Antoline discusses ordinance 08/25/2014-1. The zoning board acted on the rezoning of the two parcels but the zoning board did not recommend the change to the swimming pool fence requirement. Attorney Antoline states that the board may act on both parts of the ordinance or only one part tonight. Donald Ross addressed the board about fences around pools. Council has discussion about the fences around pool. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to approve ordinance 08/25/2014-1 to strike requirement of all fences for both above and below ground pools. Attorney Antoline states that this ordinance is only to eliminate for above ground pools. Attorney Antoline suggests that to eliminate all fencing around pools, adopt this ordinance tonight and next month he will bring back one that will eliminate all fencing around both above and below ground pools. Alderman Wilkey wants to amend his motion to say accept ordinance 08/25/2014-1 in its entirety. Alderman Kissinger seconds the motions. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, Underwood, and Sims vote aye. Alderman Stoutenborough votes no. Motion passed. Mayor Agee asks if the council would like to have Attorney Antoline bring back another

ordinance next month to eliminate fences for below ground. The council does not want to change that. Leave it that below ground pools need a fence.

Office hours were tabled for now by Mayor Agee.

### **Citizen Comments**

Citizen asks about trick or treat hours. Council sets date as 10/31/2014 from 5-8 pm.

Donald Ross asks if there is going to be another clean up. Alderman Wilkey states that he is still waiting to hear from United Waste. Donald Ross states that there was not much picked up in May. Alderman Wilkey asks how much it was to do clean up, Treasurer Peters states that it will be approximately \$1,500, we pay each firefighter \$100 and the fee to dump at the landfill and the cost for United Waste. There will be no grants available for the second clean up. Donald Ross states that there is no interest from anyone at the fire department in doing another clean up. Officer Gaddy states that there are people from the county building who have to do community service and there is not a fee, only have to have their papers signed stating there were here and how many hours they did. Just let Officer Gaddy know the date and time to be here and how many will need.

### **Committee reports**

Alderman Wilkey presented the council with an itinerary for the harvest festival on September 20, 2014. Alderman Underwood asks how the festival works, who collects the money.

Alderman Wilkey states that Fall In Love With Maroa takes care of the expenses and the city does not have any costs for the festival. It is asked who the chairman of the festival is; Alderman Wilkey states it is Rhonda Braden he believes. Alderman Wilkey states they need a liquor license to have the beer at the festival. Council agrees that a one day liquor license may be issued for \$1.00 like in the past.

Alderman Wilkey reads a letter received praising Mike and Kevin for fixing a leak efficiently.

### **Bills**

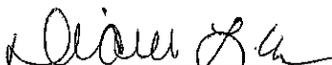
Mayor Agee asks if everyone has looked at the bills. Alderman Peart asks Kevin why we paid Ed Doak \$160 for street repairs. Kevin states he has no idea. Clerk Edwards states Mike H. told her to pay it but she does not recall what the service was. It was in the alley by Mayor Agee. Alderman Wilkey asks if he should bring up the proposal he emailed everyone about. It is being discussed at the high school tonight. Mayor Agee states that is fine. Alderman Wilkey states that he was approached by the superintendent of the schools and the school uses our softball diamond. It was proposed that in lieu of lease, he would replace our scoreboard. It is in the works right now. The cost is about \$6-7,000. Alderman Sims asks what it is for. Alderman Wilkey states that the school may not buy equipment that is not on their property. The City would draw up a lease and say the lease fee is \$7,000 and then we would pay for the scoreboard. Potentially next month we may have the lease payment and bill. Alderman Kissinger asks what the Striglos bill is. What is the \$1000 for. Clerk Edwards states it is for the desk. Alderman

Kissinger asks what the Visa charge is, is it for Striglos too. Clerk Edwards states no it is not Striglos, it is either something that Mike H bought, or it could be postage. Alderman Wilkey asks if Mug a Bug supplies chemicals, Clerk Edwards states yes for chemicals and mailing off samples. Alderman Kissinger states there is \$135 in miscellaneous fees, Alderman Sims states it is not an expense, it is a budget item. Alderman Kissinger states that since the desk is back on the table what are we going to do about it. Alderman Peart states pay it. Alderman Wilkey asks what the issue was, will they not credit anything. Clerk Edwards states there is a \$275 restocking fee. Alderman Wilkey states then we have no choice. Alderman Peart makes a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Alderman Stoutenborough. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed.

### **Executive Session**

Mayor Agee states that Alderman Kissinger has requested executive session for personnel issues. Alderman Stoutenborough makes a motion to move to executive session for personnel issues after a brief break, seconded by Alderman Sims. All council members present vote aye. Clerk Edwards and Treasurer Peters are excused from executive session. Move to executive session at 8:41pm.

### **Adjourn**

  
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Diane L. Edwards, City Clerk