

**CITY OF MAROA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY MARCH 6, 2023**

ROLL CALL AT 6:30 P.M.:

Alderman Grider	Present	Alderman Greutman	Present
Alderman West	Present	Alderman Brown	Present
Alderman Riley	Absent	Alderwoman Bogle	Present
Mayor Wilkey	Present	City Clerk Parrott	Present
Administrator Agee	Present	Chief Siemsen	Present
Attorney Lindsey Wise	Present	Superintendent of Public Works Hoffman	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor-led.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Jason Brelsford discussed he is doing field tile this fall and the city has a really bad problem with water at the south end of town he is offering the city to get in with him and with the drainage systems. The 15 needs to be replaced and every time it rains it has to be cleaned out. After this harvest, he is going to do something, and Jason is letting the city know what the cost of the city would be if they fix it this fall and stated that this would be the time to fix it while he is fixing it at this time rather than coming back later and doing it. Let the council know his opinion on the situation with the area and what was needed to correct it. Mayor asked Mike's opinion and Mike stated he thinks it should be done when Jason does it.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **City Entry Signs-** Blake has been working on this and will have a report next month.
- **Mayor** announced that we did get the plaque dedication for Richard Young and hung up in the council chambers.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Walker Landscape-** Beautification for Veteran's Memorial. He stated what kinds of plants and lighting. He stated he would do the 13 path lights in honor of the 13 soldiers killed after the Abbey Gate Explosions in Kabul. He would put a light at the Flagpole. He will come back and look at the other side of the building and let them know what he comes up with. He will send a proposal again after that.
- **Rummage Sale, Clean-up, and electronic pick-up dates-** Clerk Parrott stated that GFL could only do May 20th for the clean-up day in May and that BHL already had us set up for the same date of May 20th for the electronic drop-off. So, she asked if May 11th, 12th, and 13th would be all right for the town rummage sales.

Alderwoman Bogle made a motion to approve the Rummage Sales to be on May 11th, May 12th, and May 13th and the Spring Clean-up and Electronic Drop off to be on May 20th and Alderman Grider seconded the motion.

Alderman West	AYE	Alderwoman Bogle	AYE
Alderman Grider	AYE	Alderman Riley	ABSENT
Alderman Brown	AYE	Alderman Greutman	AYE

Motion carried.
To approve Rummage Sales to be on May 11th, May 12th, And May 13th, and spring clean-up and electronic drop-off It is to be on May 20th.

- **Ordinance 2023/03/06-1- An Ordinance Consolidating Bank Accounts:** Mayor stated for the people that don't know we pay out of seven different accounts, and we are going to consolidate into one general account and payout of just one account. It will be easier on the bookkeeping side. Ted stated the system will still track them all it's just we will just write the checks out of one account and not have to transfer the money back and forth. Mayor stated we have done our homework on it and asked Lindsey if she saw any issues with it. Lindsey stated no. Ted wrote it up that it's potential if we need to add Business District and TIF into it then we incorporate them. AAPR has to stay its own account.

Alderman Grider made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023/03/06-1 An Ordinance Consolidating Bank Accounts, and Alderwoman Bogle seconded the motion.

Alderman West	AYE	Alderwoman Bogle	AYE
Alderman Grider	AYE	Alderman Riley	ABSENT
Alderman Brown	AYE	Alderman Greutman	AYE

Motion carried.

To approve Ordinance 2023/03/06-1 Ordinance Consolidating Bank Accounts.

- **Swearing in Commander Fitzgerald to a Full-Time position-** Chief asked the council for the blessing to promote Officer Fitzgerald and to have Clerk Parrott swear him in. Council gave their blessing. Clerk Parrott swore in Commander Fitzgerald to a full-time position.

Commander Fitzgerald thanked the Chief and the council for the opportunity and for trusting him for the position. He thanked his family as well for just packing up their family to move here to come to this community for the position. He thanked the board for their full support and the community has given them support as well. He stated that this has really helped him make the decision on moving here.

POLICE REPORT: Chief stated that everyone is up to date on all training, and they have other training that they are working on as well. Officer LaPorte is working on the recruitment flyer. Implemented some new forms.

Chief discussed making the golf cart registrations from May to May and stated that he will be coming up with the dates to do the registrations in the gym like it was done last year.

ATTORNEY REPORT: She did work with Ted and Chief on a FOIA request and she is still working with Cody Parrott on the buildings on Hickory.

ENGINEER REPORT: NONE

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Ted stated that we got the buffet line from the middle school since they built the new school and got new equipment. We got the café line and the refrigerator and a small frig for the other room and the stage curtain, all the workout equipment, some shelves, and a few desks. We have to do some reorganizing.

ZONING/PUBLIC WORKS: Have been busy moving the furniture from the school and locating curb stops and mapping the curb stops. Then there was the storm, so they were telling people to put the branches that have fallen on the curbs. So, they can pick it up for them.

Mike mentioned that Jamie Zombro was named the Chief of the Fire Department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Mike stated that he, Jason, and Matt Hauersperger came up with a plan in two or three weeks to till and get some water out there and after Mother's Day start planting. It will be a little smaller plot it will be 200 x 200. Some for corn and other vegetables and pumpkins and flowers.

Mayor stated they have around a thousand dollars raised so the city's intent is to contribute some startup money for fencing, hoses, and that kind of stuff that is needed to get this up and going. Budget wise we will take it out of the park fund. Which is windmill money that goes into that fund. Matt Hauersperger had said that after this is up and running that this should be self-efficient and that he will not need to ask for any help from the city.

Grider stated he did speak with the fireworks people, and they stated that July 1st was ok for them.

Ted Agee stated that for the grant that we applied for on the Natural Resources for the park, there were 219 applications and they approved 118 and we were not one of them.

Angie stated she has another proposal coming from the Ground up for the Veterans Memorial and should have it in a couple of weeks. She working on getting vendors set up for the fall festival.

Mayor recommended that the fiancé committee get together to have a meeting soon.

APPROVE MINUTES:

- **February 6, 2023, open minutes.**
Alderman Grider made a motion to approve February 6, 2023, open meeting minutes, and Alderman Greutman seconded the motion.

Alderman West	ABSENT	Alderwoman Bogle	ABSTAIN
Alderman Grider	AYE	Alderman Riley	ABSENT
Alderman Brown	AYE	Alderman Greutman	ABSTAIN
Mayor Wilkey	AYE		

Motion carried.

To approve February 6, 2023, open meeting minutes.

- **February 6, 2023, closed minutes.**

Alderman Grider made a motion to approve February 6, 2023, closed meeting minutes, and Alderman Brown seconded the motion.

Alderman West	ABSENT	Alderwoman Bogle	ABSTAIN
Alderman Grider	AYE	Alderman Riley	ABSENT
Alderman Brown	AYE	Alderman Greutman	ABSTAIN
Mayor Wilkey	AYE		

Motion carried.

To approve February 6, 2023, closed meeting minutes.

APPROVE BILLS:

- **Feb/March-**

Alderman Grider made a motion to approve February/March 2023 bills, and Alderwoman Bogle seconded the motion.

Alderman West	ABSENT	Alderwoman Bogle	AYE
Alderman Grider	AYE	Alderman Riley	ABSENT
Alderman Brown	AYE	Alderman Greutman	AYE

Motion carried.

To approve February/March 2023 bills.

ADJOURN:

Alderman Grider made a motion to adjourn at 7:36 pm, and Alderwoman Bogle seconded the motion.

Alderman West	ABSENT	Alderwoman Bogle	AYE
Alderman Grider	AYE	Alderman Riley	ABSENT
Alderman Brown	AYE	Alderman Greutman	AYE

Motion carried.

To adjourn at 7:36 pm.

Done by:



Crystal Parrott, City Clerk