

# CITY OF MAROA

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## CITY COUNCIL OPEN SESSION MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 p.m.

#### • ROLL CALL:

Aldersperson Monty Greutman	Present
Aldersperson Toni Stoutenborough	Present
Aldersperson Blake West	Not Present
Aldersperson Matt Riley	Present
Aldersperson Jereimah Grider	Present
Aldersperson Angela Bogle	Present
Mayor Ryan Wilkey	Present
City Clerk Crystal Parrott	Present
City Administrator Ted Agee	Present
City Treasurer Randi Amettis	Present
Attorney Jordan Parker	Present
Chief of Police Robert Fitzgerald	Present
Superintendent of Public Works Mike Hoffman	Present

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

- Led by Mayor Wilkey.

### ATTORNEY:

- Mayor Wilkey stated that Attorney Lindsey Wise would be out tonight and, in her place, would be Jordon Parker. Jordon Parker introduced himself.

### CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

- Chris Doak conveyed to Council that his father, Ed Doak, thought the walking path was very nice.

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**OCTOBER 7, 2024 OPEN MEETING MINUTES:**

- Motion by Alderperson Bogle to approve the October 7, 2024 Open Meeting Minutes.
- Second by Alderperson Riley.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 7, 2024 OPEN MEETING MINUTES.**
- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Not Present
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Aye
Alderperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

**OCTOBER 7, 2024 CLOSED MEETING MINUTES:**

- Motion by Alderperson Grider to approve the October 7, 2024 Closed Meeting Minutes.
- Second by Alderperson Bogle.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 7, 2024 CLOSED MEETING MINUTES.**
- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Not Present
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Aye
Alderperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

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**POLICE REPORT:**

- Officer Lawson has completed her FTO training, she has been on her own and doing very well.
- Chief Fitzgerald has opened an ad on Indeed. As of this morning, we have not received any qualified candidates.
- Administrator Agee and Chief Fitzgerald are still working on the ordinance as to minors in possession of cannabis/tobacco.
- The Washington Street Project: Mr. Caccomo entered into a payment agreement with the City. The plan is for the \$3,283.15 to be paid in full by February 2025.
- Attorney Wise and Chief Fitzgerald are working on an MOU between the City and the School District. They have a meeting on Wednesday.
- Global-Tech has provided a quote of \$4,919.60 for three new radios for the squad cars. That could come down if they are able to use any of the existing equipment; however the guy from Global-Tech told Chief Fitzgerald not to get his hopes up as the ones we have are at least fifteen years old.

**GLOBAL-TECH RADIOS:**

- Motion by Alderperson Bogle to approve the quote of \$4,919.60 to Global-Tech for three new radios for the Police Department.
- Second by Alderperson Grider.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FOR \$4,919.60 TO GLOBAL-TECH FOR THREE NEW RADIO'S FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Not Present
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Aye
Alderperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

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### **HALLOWEEN:**

- Mayor Wilkey wanted to commend the police department for playing Halloween music over the speakers and handing out candy.

### **ATTORNEY REPORT:**

- Attorney Parker said they had a hearing regarding the Sosa matter. Sosa presented to the judge that he made a few improvements to the property. The hearing was continued to December 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.
- Attorney Lindsey Wise will be meeting with Chief Fitzgerald to talk about a couple of agreements.

### **ENGINEER REPORT:**

No Report.

### **ADMINISTRATOR/ZONING REPORT:**

- The paving has been completed and the crosswalks and pedestrian markings have been painted on Wood Street sidewalk extension. Crosswalk signs have been installed, but we have two arrows left to add to the signs. We have begun the process of backfilling and will likely re-seed in the spring.
- 400 block of Wood Street sidewalk repair: The concrete sidewalk, approaches and curbing have been poured. Backfilling is underway. The sidewalk had to be raised at least four inches to remedy the water run-off issues in the area. Due to this, it is our recommendation to pave a 12-foot-wide taper along the east die of the sidewalk into the Maroa Carwash and Maroa Auto Sales lots (-165 feet), and along the driveway of Pest Outpost (50 feet). The DUNN estimate for this is \$13,650.00 if we take care of the prep work ourselves.
- It is the request of Superintendent Hoffman to have a -165-foot x 12-foot section along the east side of Maroa Lumber Co's storage building paved while DUNN CO is paving the Wood Street approach. This will help drainage and prevent the decomposition of the Chestnut Street shoulder, due to heavy equipment. The DUNN Co estimate for this section is \$11,250.00.
- If we have both Wood Street and Chestnut Street paved at the same time, we save \$2,650.00 and the total for paving is \$22,250.00. This is TIF eligible expense.

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**WOOD STREET SIDEWALK APPROACHES/CHESTNUT STREET SHOULDER THROUGH DUNN COMPANY FOR NOT MORE \$23,000.00 OUT OF THE TIF FUND:**

- Motion by Alderperson Grider to approve Wood Street Sidewalk Approaches/Chestnut Street Shoulder Through Dunn Company for Not More \$23,000.00 Out of The TIF Fund.
- Second by Alderperson Bogle.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE WOOD STREET SIDEWALK APPROACHES/CHESTNUT STREET SHOULDER THROUGH DUNN COMPANY FOR NOT MORE \$23,000.00 OUT OF THE TIF FUND.**
- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Not Present
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Aye
Alderperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

**ORDINANCE 2024/11/04-1: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DISTRICT FAÇADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MAROA, MACON COUNTY, ILLINOIS AND MAROA LUMBER CO.:**

- Motion by Alderperson Riley to approve Ordinance 2024/11/04-1: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Business District Façade Agreement Between the City of Maroa, Macon County, Illinois and Maroa Lumber Co.
- Second by Alderperson Greutman.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2024/11/04-1: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BUSINESS DISTRICT FAÇADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MAROA, MACON COUNTY, ILLINOIS AND MAROA LUMBER CO.**
- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Not Present
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Aye
Alderperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

- Administrator Agee has received the façade grant receipts for completed work and submitted them to the City Clerk for release of funds. The total reimbursement for this project is \$2,500.00.
- USDA application for a Greenhouse Grant for the community garden is in process through the Clinton office. We don't have to assign a new farm plot to that property. It already has a plot designation.
- Clerk Parrott stated that we did get back \$1402.44 back on the grant for the electronic pick-up which covered the cost of the pick-up and the newsletter that had the advertisement in it.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:**

- Leaf pick-up is underway.
- ARPA funds need to be committed by the end of this year and the committee decided to earmark the funding for water filter/softener media. We will add this to next month's agenda to put in ordinance form.
- Superintendent Hoffman stated the Christmas tree base and frame is up. They will be starting to get that decorated in the upcoming weeks.
- Administrator Agee stated we bought some electrical boxes for this year to help prevent water issues.
- Superintendent Hoffman wanted to credit the Mayor, Council, Administrator and Chris Doak for the walking path.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- No Old Business

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**SHUT OFF SCHEDULE:**

- Administrator Agee stated that we are thinking about going to shut-off every month and giving people a standard 30-day period. That would ensure everyone gets the same amount of time. We will discuss the options more in the future.
- The penalty process would remain the same.
- It would need to be approved by ordinance and wouldn't likely begin until the start of the fiscal year.

## **REQUEST BY ALDERMAN WEST TO ENTER THE MEETING ELECTRONICALLY**

- Alderperson West requests electronic admittance via phone due to employment schedule.
- No objections from Mayor Wilkey or the City Council.
- Alderperson West entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m. via phone.

## **NEW OFFICER HIRE:**

- Mayor Wilkey stated a couple months ago that we had a chance to hire Shaun Meredith back. We did sign a conditional offer contingent upon his waiver. Once we get his waiver back, we will have hired a full-time officer.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **HARVEST FESTIVAL COMMITTEE:**

- Was a big hit. A lot of people loved the kid zone.

### **HALLOWEEN EVENT:**

- It was a great day for that event. We had hay rack rides and TLC's trailer was there. For an hour and half, we had kids coming in and getting candy. It was a great turn out and we got rid of all the candy except for two small buckets.

### **WINTER FESTIVAL COMMITTEE:**

- The Winter Festival and Tree Lighting will be held on November 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Alderperson Grider has a hand full of vendors in the gym.
- Some members of the high school band will be playing some music that night.
- Santa and Mrs. Claus will be here but only after the tree lighting this year.
- Start looking at the Main Street Décor for next year. Some decorations are having electrical issues.
- We have a new lock for the Santa mailbox.
- TLC will be set up during the Tree Lighting and they will not be serving hot chocolate or cookies.

**BILLS:**

**OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2024 BILLS:**

- Motion by Alderperson Bogle to approve paying the October/November 2024 bills.
- Second by Alderperson Grider.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE PAYING THE OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2024 BILLS.**
- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Aye
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Aye
Alderperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

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**CLOSED SESSION AS ALLOWED UNDER 5 ILCS 120/2 C (1-40):**

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, volunteers or legal counsel for the public body; The hearing of testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee; Deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; The selection of a person to fill a public office, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office; The discussion of pricing for sale, purchase or lease of real estate; The sale or purchase of securities, investments, or investment contracts; Discussion of current, pending or potential litigation; Discussion and semi-annual review of closed session minutes; The establishment of reserves or settlement of claims; Self-evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics; Audit related meetings involving internal control weaknesses, identification of potential fraud risk areas, known or suspected frauds, and fraud interviews; Informant sources, the hiring or assignment of undercover personnel or equipment, or ongoing, prior or future criminal investigations.

- Motion by Alderperson Grider to enter closed session under 5 ILCS 120/2 C (1-40).
- Second by Alderperson Riley.
- **MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION UNDER 5 ILCS 120/2 C (1-40).**

• **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Aye
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Aye
Alderperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**
- **CLOSED SESSION CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:10 p.m.**

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**OPEN SESSION RESUMES ORDER AT 7:17 p.m.**

**• ROLL CALL:**

Aldersperson Jeremiah Grider	Present
Aldersperson Monty Greutman	Present
Aldersperson Toni Stoutenborough	Present
Aldersperson Blake West	Present
Aldersperson Matt Riley	Present
Aldersperson Angela Bogle	Present
Mayor Ryan Wilkey	Present
City Clerk Crystal Parrott	Present
City Administrator Ted Agee	Present
City Treasurer Randi Amettis	Not Present
Attorney Jordan Parker	Present
Chief of Police Robert Fitzgerald	Present
Superintendent of Public Works Mike Hoffman	Not Present

**ADJOURN:**

- Motion by Aldersperson Grider to adjourn the meeting.
- Second by Aldersperson Greutman.
- **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.**

**• ROLL CALL:**

Aldersperson Blake West	Aye
Aldersperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Aldersperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Aldersperson Matt Riley	Aye
Aldersperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Aldersperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**
- **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:17 p.m.**

**APPROVAL RECORD:**

**City of Maroa, Illinois  
Closed Session Meeting Minutes  
Monday, November 4th, 2024**

Crystal Parrott

Crystal Parrott, City Clerk

12-2-2024

Date Approved

SEAL