

CITY OF MAROA MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 22, 2015

CITY HALL

7:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Clerk Edwards. Roll call taken by Clerk Edwards. Aldermen Peart, Wilkey, Edwards, Kissinger, Underwood, Sims, and Mayor Agee were present.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Mayor Agee asks if everyone had a chance to go over the minutes. Alderman Peart makes a motion to approve the minutes for May 18, 2015, Alderman Wilkey seconded the motion. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed.

Police Report

Chief Wilkey is not present. Officer Gaddy states that when the Chief is back he will get the monthly activity report to council.

Attorney Report

Attorney Antoline is not present.

Engineer's Report

Steve Bainbridge, Engineer, is present. Steve Bainbridge, Engineer, presents the council with the tabulation of the bids for rock and chip. Two bidders were responsive, Earl Walker Company, and Dunn Company, one bidder was not responsive as they did not have their bid guarantee check with them. The low bidder was Dunn Company at \$43,995. The budget estimate was \$49,643 so we are under estimate with them. This is for the west side of Wood St. Alderman Peart makes a motion to accept the bid from Dunn Company to rock and chip, seconded by Alderman Edwards. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed.

Steve Bainbridge, Engineer, presented suggestions of making Main St. one way and there is discussion of the possibility to make Main St. one way. May need to put in ramps and red bumped pads for handicap parking and upgrade sidewalks. Steve Bainbridge, Engineer, suggested talking to business owners before making a change. Alderman Peart states that in his discussion with people they do not want the change. Alderman Wilkey states that there have not been a lot of people who want the change. Cost could be \$25,000 - \$30,000. If sidewalks have to be brought up then there will be more expense. No action taken.

Zoning/Public Works

Mike Hoffman, Superintendent, discusses waiving the tap on fee for sewer for Espy property. They moved the sewer hook-up with the re-building of the house. The house was destroyed in a fire and is being rebuilt. Alderman Edwards makes a motion to waive tap on fees for sewer for the Espy's, seconded by Alderman Sims. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed.

Old Business

New Business

Alderman Peart discusses the police committee meeting and recommendation to promote Officer Gaddy, with the council. Alderman Peart notes that we will be looking for a Police Chief in the near future but until the Mayor makes up his mind about that, recommends promoting Officer Gaddy. The position was previously held by Dave Leimbach and Officer Gaddy states he is doing the work that was done in that position. Alderman Peart makes a motion to promote Officer Gaddy to Sergeant effective June 22, 2015, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Peart discusses the fee changes proposed for violations in the city. Alderman Peart makes a motion to accept the fees listed;

1. Raise the parking violations fee to \$25.00
2. Raise ordinance violation fees to a flat rate of \$150.00
3. Set handicap parking violation fee at \$250.00
4. Set an administration fee of \$100.00 on all vehicles towed by the police department with a release form given to owner after the fee is paid to be taken to the towing agency for the release of their vehicle.
5. Chapter 27-2-14 Disturbing the peace – change to State Statue 720 ILCS 5/26-I(a)(I) to match state statue
6. Chapter 24-1-1 Illinois vehicle code section – change to State Statue 625 ILCS 5 to match state statue

Seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Underwood discusses allowing Amber, Brian and Brian Bennett to ride ATV to and from the ball diamond for field maintenance. They have been instructed to follow the rules of the road. No running "errands" on the ATV. If there are any problems that come up or not obeying the rules of the road, the permission will be revoked by council. All council agree to allow them to ride the ATV to and from the ball diamond and Sgt. Gaddy will pass the information on to the other officers. Alderman Underwood will discuss with the Bennett's.

Discussion from the council regarding the riding of ATV's in the parade. People will be allowed to ride their ATV to and from the parade only, on Saturday, June 27, 2015. Alderman Underwood makes a motion to allow ATV's to be ridden to and from the parade and in the parade only, seconded by Alderman Wilkey. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed.

Citizen Comments

Committee reports

Mayor Agee presented the council with the revised committees listing.

Bills

Mayor Agee asks if everyone had a chance to look at the bills. Clerk Edwards presents bills that came in today, Dunker Electric \$15.84, Staples \$98.98, and Menards \$11.07. Alderman Kissinger makes a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye. Motion passed.

Executive Session

Adjourn

Mayor Agee states that since Attorney Antoline is not here we do not need executive session. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed, meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Diane L. Edwards, City Clerk