

CITY OF MAROA MEETING MINUTES

MAY 18, 2015

CITY HALL

7:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Clerk Edwards. Clerk Edwards was going to swear in new officers but was told by Mayor Agee that it is to be done in new business not at the beginning of the meeting. Roll call taken by Clerk Edwards. Aldermen Peart, Wilkey, Stoutenborough, Kissinger, Underwood, and Mayor Agee were present. Alderman Sims was absent.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Mayor Agee asks if everyone had a chance to go over the minutes. Alderman Underwood makes a motion to approve the minutes for March 23rd, Alderman Peart seconded the motion.

Alderman Kissinger, Peart, and Underwood vote aye, Alderman Wilkey abstains, Alderman Stoutenborough votes nay, Alderman Sims is absent. Motion passed. Alderman Underwood makes a motion to approve April 27th meeting minutes, seconded by Alderman Peart. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, Underwood, and Stoutenborough vote aye, Alderman Sims is absent. Motion passed.

Police Report

Chief Wilkey is present. Chief Wilkey presents the monthly activity report to the council and discusses the report. The Chief states he has received the parade and 5K route from Michelle Wykoff and would like council approval for the 27th of June activities. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to approve the June 27th parade and 5K route, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, Underwood, and Stoutenborough vote aye, Alderman Sims is absent. Motion passed.

Chief Wilkey discussed the ordinance violations. Chief Wilkey updated the council on the inoperable vehicles.

Attorney Report

Attorney Antoline is present. Discussed a letter he received from the attorney representing the city of Coulterville. Attorney Antoline states that he has reviewed the evidence retention policy with Officer Gaddy.

Engineer's Report

Steve Bainbridge, Engineer, is not present. Superintendent Hoffman states that Steve Bainbridge, Engineer will be here next month with the MFT budget. Superintendent Hoffman states that he has the signs for the truck route, he will get them up so they will be better marked.

Zoning/Public Works

Old Business

New Business

Alderman Wayne Kissinger, Ward I, Jason Edwards, replaced Tom Stoutenborough as Ward II Alderman and Tom Stoutenborough will be removed from all bank accounts, as he will no longer be on the Finance Committee, Erick Peart, Ward III, and Alderwoman Gretchen Underwood, Ward III, sworn in to the city council by Clerk Edwards.

Executive Session

Mayor Agee asks if Attorney Antoline needs Executive Session to discuss the resolutions, Attorney Antoline states that we can go executive session now and then return to open session.

Alderman Kissinger made a motion to go into executive session at 7:27 pm, seconded by Alderman Peart. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, Underwood, and Edwards vote aye, Alderman Sims is absent. Motion passed, move to executive session.

Clerk Edwards, Treasurer Peters, and Alderman Edwards were asked to leave executive session after a brief time.

8:36 pm, return from executive session to open session.

New Business

Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to accept Ordinance 2015/05/18-1, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, and Underwood vote aye. Alderman Edwards abstains and Alderman Sims is absent. Motion passed.

Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to accept Resolution 5/18/2015-R1, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, and Underwood vote aye. Alderman Edwards vote nay and Alderman Sims is absent. Motion passed.

Alderman Underwood makes a motion to accept Resolution 5/18/2015-R2, seconded by Alderman Peart. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, and Underwood vote aye. Alderman Edwards votes nay and Alderman Sims is absent. Motion passed.

Alderman Peart discussed Inland Port. Alderman Peart will meet with the representatives and bring the information back to the council.

Alderman Kissinger discussed parking on Main St. He would like to make it one way headed west and add parking to both sides of Main St. Mayor Agee states that you do not want traffic going away from business. Traffic should go east on main if made one way. Superintendent Hoffman will get with Steve Bainbridge, Engineer, and have him put together what could be done and how much additional parking it could bring. Will present to council next month.

Alderman Kissinger discussed police department fine amounts and increasing the fines. Attorney Antoline will get the information from Officer Gaddy and get an ordinance for the next meeting.

Alderman Kissinger discussed trailer park license and what to do about the ones not in compliance. Mayor Agee explained that the City is not issuing a license to the parks that are not in compliance. Officer Gaddy has confirmed that Northwoods and Maple Park do not have a state license. Maple Tree Park does have a city license. Village Green has both State and City license. Officer Gaddy is going to check to verify that Maple Tree Park does have a state license. Mayor Agee asks Attorney Antoline what the city can do at this point, Attorney Antoline states that we can move forward with the ordinance violations. Council will vote on amount of fine at the next council meeting.

Alderman Kissinger states that he has been approached about the amount of traffic and couples that are in and out of the trailer in Maple Tree Park on the south end near Washington Street. He states there are Mercedes and BMW's in a trailer park and wants to know what is going on there. Mayor Agee asks Officer Gaddy if there have been any complaints regarding this, Officer Gaddy states the department is aware.

Mayor Agee asks about the progress with the property on Jackson. Officer Gaddy states that there is progress but more has to be done. Mayor Agee states that it has to be taken care of this year.

Alderman Kissinger states that the house at Pine and Madison also needs to be taken care of with the weeds and lawn mowers. Officer Gaddy states that it is being taken care of.

Alderman Kissinger states that it has been brought to his attention that Officer Gaddy is doing a great job here in the city and thinks he has been up for a promotion for quite a while. Alderman Kissinger requests that he be promoted tonight. Alderman Peart states that should be handled by the Police Committee. Alderman Kissinger states that it has been a long time. Mayor Agee states that the Police Commission will get together and discuss and bring back recommendations to the council at the next meeting. Alderman Peart states he will get that lined up and get a resolution from Attorney Antoline for the next meeting. If anyone would like to attend the meeting, let Alderman Peart know and he will let you know of the time and day of the meeting. Will have the recommendation for the June council meeting.

Citizen Comments

Committee reports

Bills

Mayor Agee asks if everyone had a chance to look at the bills. Clerk Edwards presents bills that came in since Friday, George Campbell for \$40 to seed grass at the ball diamond, Gunther Salt for softener salt \$3,172.54, Econo Signs for truck route signs \$349.20, Maroa Lumber \$5.96. Clerk Edwards will send Alderman Wilkey an email to approve the remainder of the month's bills since this is an early meeting this month. Alderman Kissinger makes a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Alderman Peart. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, Edwards, and Underwood vote aye. Alderman Sims is absent. Motion passed.

Adjourn

Alderman Edwards makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye, motion passed, meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Diane L. Edwards, City Clerk