

CITY OF MAROA MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 17, 2018
CITY HALL
7:00 PM

Meeting called to order by Clerk Edwards at 7:03 pm. Roll call taken by Clerk Edwards. Aldermen Peart, Wilkey, Kissinger, Administrator Ted Agee and Mayor Meador are present. Clerk Edwards and Treasurer Modro-Peters are present. Alderwomen Estep & Bogle, and Aldermen Edwards are absent.

Clerk Edwards leads the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Clerk Edwards presents the meeting minutes to the council. Mayor Meador asks if everyone had a chance to look at the minutes. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to accept the November 12 & 19 meeting minutes, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Police Report

Chief Gaddy is present. Chief Gaddy presents and discusses his activity report to the council. Mark Stuart paid his fine and had put the plywood and the tar paper down, so he is compliant. No other changes on the report from last meeting. Alderman Peart gave Chief Gaddy a complaint for trash that will be investigated. Discussed the package theft that occurred.

Attorney Report

Attorney Jankowicz is present. Attorney Jankowicz discusses the letters sent to offenders that received ordinances previously advising them that there is a new ordinance and after 60 days they will be turned over to collections.

Attorney Jankowicz questioned how the inspector will gain access into the old Coastal building, Mr. Jankowicz was instructed to get ahold of Mike Hoffman.

Attorney Jankowicz has initiated complaint with IDPH in regards of the mobile home park. Under the Mobile Home Tie Down Act, the IDPH has jurisdiction. There is a provision under the Mobile Home Park Act, which allows in our area, that allows local Fire Chief to do an inspection. If it is found that standards are not met, there are a series of notices that may be sent and if no compliance, then the IDPH is notified and they may impose fines that are \$500 per day per unit. Mayor Meador will discuss this with the Fire Chief.

Attorney Jankowicz thanks everyone for working with him and he looks forward to the new year of working with everyone.

Engineer's Report

Engineer is not present.

Administrator Report

Ted Agee, Administrator is present, and he presents and discusses his report.

The audit history analysis is done and distributed to each council member.

The water leak survey is completed, and Mike is checking out the leaks that were found starting with on at 128 N Walnut Street in the middle of the street. Mike will begin working on it in the morning to see how bad it is. Superintendent Hoffman states that in the leak survey report there is a suggestion that we put a master meter in at the trailer park. It will be a bigger meter and it will be at our cost. If we force them to pay one bill instead of the trailer park paying multiple bills to us from individuals, then that would require the park to have a distribution system license and an operator will have to run their system. This eliminates us from having to pay for the leaks that occur there. The suggestion is to go back on the main, main and tie in there. Mayor Meador tells Superintendent Hoffman to get a estimate of the cost. Attorney Jankowicz will check and see if we can legally make them change to this system. Superintendent Hoffman states that the cost should be less than \$5,000. Superintendent Hoffman is to get with Attorney Jankowicz.

Ted discusses the Sullivan TIF agreement, the building has been transferred to another corporation, does a new agreement have to be made to make the final payment or just pay as it is now. Alderman Wilkey suggests that it be rewritten to who is getting the check. Monies amount will not change, just the entity that is getting it. Attorney Jankowicz will review the agreement and advise.

Zoning/Public Works

Mike Hoffman, Superintendent, is present. Superintendent Hoffman has nothing further.

Old Business

New Business

Mr. Mata is not here tonight so Ted will get the BD application from him and distribute for review.

Alderman Wilkey discusses the auditor's report.

Attorney Jankowicz discusses the Tax Levy Ordinance and presents the council with the different options up to 5%. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to accept Ordinance 2018/12/17-1 at 2%, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Citizen Comments

Mark Behrends asks what constitutes a quorum, Attorney Jankowicz states it is 3 board members and president.

Blake West introduces himself as a candidate running for Alderman in Ward II.

Alderman Wilkey asks for the status of the new restaurant, Mayor Meador says it is slated to open after the first of the year, there were some staffing issues he is working through.

Richard Young asks where the water meter is going in that they are talking about, Mayor Meador states that is what we are going to get information about.

Committee reports

Alderman Wilkey states that January 1 he will start working on the budget. He would like to pay off the Park equipment as soon as possible.

Alderman Wilkey states that he has already budgeted employee pay raises and would like them on the January agenda and they will be retroactive back to January 1, 2019.

Alderman Wilkey discusses the tree lighting and states that everyone he has talked to loves the idea and that the turn out was great. Alderman Wilkey would like to build on to the festival and have the local businesses involved more as well.

Superintendent Hoffman states that Steve Bainbridge is pretty much retired. Mark Bingham will be our new contact.

Bills


Clerk Edwards presents the bills to the council. Mayor Meador asks if everyone has looked at the bills. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Closed Session

None

Adjourn

Mayor Meador asks if there is a motion to adjourn, Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to adjourn at 7:44 pm, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.



Diane L. Edwards, City Clerk