

**Meeting of the Marion City Council
Monday, February 16, 2023, at 5:00 P.M.**

The Marion City Council met in Regular Session February 16, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. with Mayor D'Anna Browning presiding. Council members present were; Randy Dunn, Wanda Olson, Tracy Cook, Dwight Sherer, Bobby Belt and Mike Byford. City Employees in attendance were as follows: Layten Croft, Chief Ray O'Neal, Fire Chief Howton, Cortny Cosby, Garry Gerard and Legal Service Officer, Bart Frazer. A public sign in sheet is attached and made part of these minutes.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Doug Brown approached the Council and requested to know if our engineering firm had been doing core sampling at Lake George Dam. Mr. Tim Thomas, contracted water consultant, advised BFW had done core sampling and those samples were sent off to the Division of Water. Mr. Thomas added that the Division of Water has gave the City of Marion permission to hold water in the basin of Lake George (up to the breach point). Councilman Sherer commented that it was so nice to see water in Lake George.

Motion by Randy Dunn, seconded by Dwight Sherer to approve the minutes from the meeting on January 9, 2023. All councilmembers voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Mike Byford, seconded by Randy Dunn to approve Mayor Browning's appointment of Marla Manning to the City of Marion Tourism Board. All councilmembers voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Wanda Olson, seconded by Randy Dunn to approve Mayor Browning's appointment of Larry Hurst to the City of Marion Code Board. All councilmembers voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Tracy Cook, seconded by Randy Dunn to approve Mayor Browning's appointment of Casey Winstead to the City of Marion Planning Board. All councilmembers voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Wanda Olson, seconded by Randy Dunn to approve Mayor Browning's appointment of Chief Ray O'Neal as the City of Marion Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) officer.

Resolution # 23-01, "RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARION ACCEPTING THE GRANTS, APPROVING THE GRANT ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT OF THE CITY OF MARION'S ANNUAL BUDGET, AND AUTHORIZING A REPRESENTATIVE TO SIGN ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS." Was brought before the council. This resolution is in reference to the KIA funding the City receives. Motion by Bobby Belt, seconded by Randy Dunn. All members voting yes. Motion carried.

Resolution # 23-02, "Pennyrile Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan" was brought before the council. Motion by Randy Dunn, seconded by Wanda Olson. All councilmembers voting yes, motion carried.

Councilmember Dwight Sherer sponsored Ordinance # 23-01 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 22-06 AMENDING THE PAY PLAN FOR CLASSIFIED CITY EMPLOYEES AND NON-ELECTED OFFICIALS". This ordinance raises each police officer position by \$8,320.00 annually. Mayor Browning stated the city had just lost a very good officer to Providence PD. Councilman Sherer added that Chief O'Neal showed him his plan and he agrees with it. Councilmembers Randy Dunn and Wanda Olson agrees to this plan.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilman Dunn advised he had been approached with the idea of extending the sidewalks out Sturgis Rd.

Councilwoman Wanda Olson, who is also a sitting member of the Solid Waste Committee, explained in more detail about the new countywide trash ordinance. She advised IMPACT WASTE SERVICE would replace GFL.

Councilman Bobby Belt request that the street department look in to fixing the dead-end portion of Whippoorwill Drive. Garry Gerard advised he would check it out next date.

Councilman Mike Byford request to know if both water tanks were in operation. Staff members advised yes, both are in working condition.

Councilwoman Tracy Cook request to know if leak detection had been completed in the city. Garry advised Reveal Underground was in town this date listening for leaks.

Mayor Browning she was in the planning process of "Clean the Creek", the first area to be cleaned would be in the area of Curve-In (Sturgis Rd) to the old Health Department (Second Street).

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the council, meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.


D'ANNA BROWNING, MAYOR

ATTEST:


LAYTEN CROFT, ASST. CITY CLERK