

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Marion held in the Council Chambers of the Marion City Hall on May 9, 2011. Mayor Butler presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. The City Clerk was instructed to call the roll and the response was as follows:

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS RIX, RINELLA, GOSS, PATTON AND MAYOR BUTLER  
ABSENT: NONE

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 25, 2011 and Special Called Meeting of April 28, 2011 were approved as presented.

Ted Stice, CEO of Earth Friendly Energy appeared before the Council to give them some information on their goal to provide a practical solution to the worlds' energy problem by making solar/wind power energy systems affordable to every individual consumer and to entire villages. We propose to build entire villages composed of 1500 disaster-resistant, green housing units for individuals and communities recovering from disasters, war veterans and families with limited incomes; funding for service initiatives, and sustainable jobs and economic growth where they are needed most. Mr. Stice's grandsons Zep and Carter gave a bullet points on what they want to do:

1. Build villages of 1500 units-single and family units
2. The buildings will be disaster resistant
3. Energy will be green & Self-produced to support the entire village.
4. Green energy from solar farms and windmills.
5. Wounded and disabled veterans will have first priority
6. Any veteran able and willing will be provided jobs building and supplying necessary components to build the village.
7. Once built the village will be virtually self sustaining.

Mayor Butler wanted to know where the funding would be coming from to build these units. Mr. Stice said he has tried to talk to people about getting funding and they don't return his calls. Mr. Stice would like to build on the Crab Orchard Refuge. If they should lose power on the solar and windmills then they would connect up to a battery that will last ten years.

Charles Miller appeared before the Council with concerns regarding the noise that is coming from the Old Golf Course Club House. The noise keeps the neighbors up all hours of the night and they are getting tired of it. The Club House is in Williamson County and they have a county liquor license. Since the property is less than 60 acres and it is completely surrounded by the annexed properties into the City. They would like to have this property annexed into the City also. Then the City would be able to have control to go out and take legal action against them.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2353: An Ordinance whereas the territory described is surrounded by the corporate limits of the City of Marion and under the Municipal Code of Illinois, being Chapter 24, Article 7 of the Illinois Revised Statutes provides that such territory may be annexed to the municipality surrounding the territory. 21.9 acres. Off Heartland Drive and Old Creal Springs Road.**

Commissioner Rix made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2353 as presented in writing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Patton.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Rinella suggested that maybe in the near future the Council might consider extending the liquor hours to 1:00 A.M. That way everyone is able to stay open and increase their business.

Mr. Lee Webb would like to acquire a 5' rear set back zoning variance at the west side of N. Russell Street, north of the railroad and south of the Catholic Church to build apartments. Normally in the back of the yard it requires 20' but Mr. Lee is asking for it to be 15'. This is all vacant land. Commissioner Patton wanted to know if they had talked to the Knights of Columbus about this. Mr. Webb said it was alright with them, he gave them 25' to extend their road. Commissioner Rinella made a motion to extend the 15' set back variance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Goss.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Donald Holman who lives at 408 E. Jefferson said when the people come to pick up their children after school there is no room to drive by. The street is real narrow and he was wondering if they could make it a one way street when school is in session. Commissioner Rinella wanted to know if no parking signs would solve the problem. The street is too narrow, when a bus goes down anyway, so maybe the signs will take care of the problem.

Police Chief John Eibeck wanted to speak to the Council regarding the purchase of GPS vehicle tracking at the speed of live. You can watch the police vehicles turn for turn as the vehicle moves verify that your employees are on location and pull from a variety of vehicle logs and reports. The price offered is based on quantity discount for the entire city fleet of approximately 70 to 80 vehicles. He requested a proposal for 30 vehicles with 10-second pings. There will be a onetime activation fee of \$22,900.50 and one time installation of \$10,782.00. They will be paying \$29.95 per unit per month. The unit will be installed inside the vehicle dash; you can retain and restore information for 90 days. Chief Eibeck said that they have a grant that will cover the GPS. Commissioner Rix made a motion to purchases the GPS from GPS Solutions. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rinella.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Executive Session: 7:10 P.M.

Commissioner Rinella moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Litigation, Real Estate and Personnel matter. Motion seconded by Commissioner Goss.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Adjourn Executive Session: 8:55 P.M.

Commissioner Rix moved to adjourn the Executive Session and Reconvene the Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Patton.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Resolution No. 2011-06: A Resolution requesting additional street lighting from South Eastern Illinois Electric Cooperative, Inc. for a decorative light and pole at Hidden Meadows Subdivision.**

Commissioner Rix made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2011-06 as presented in writing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rinella.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Revolving Loan: Appointment**

Mayor Butler would like to appoint Commissioner Rinella to serve on the Revolving Loan Board and to appoint Clarke Deacon to serve as administrator of the Revolving Loan to fill the vacancy of Lee Dickson, deceased. Commissioner Goss moved to accept the appointment of Commissioner Rinella to the Revolving Loan Board and Clarke Deacon to the position of Administrator of the board. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rinella.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Marion Carnegie Library: Repair of roof**

Commissioner Goss made a motion to approve the bill of Vaughn's Roofing, Inc. in the amount of \$8,344.00 to work on the front two valleys of the roof. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rinella.  
ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Light House Shelter: Board**

Mayor Butler would like to appoint Commissioner Goss to serve on the Light House Shelter Board

Commissioner Rix said that the Fire Department needs to purchase six sets of Personal Protective Equipment for the upgrading and replacement of worn out gear. Last year the Foreign Fire Insurance Board partnered with the City by approving the purchase of 12 sets of TOG bringing the total to 18 sets purchased. This fiscal year the purchase of the remaining sets of TOG has been appropriated. The purchase of the six sets of TOG will accomplish the goal of upgrading and replacing worn out gear in a 2-year time frame instead of four years. The six sets of Globe/Cairns Reaction TOG will be purchased from the Illinois Fire Store, Inc. in the amount of \$10,734.00. Commissioner Rix made the motion to approve the purchase of six TOG sets in the amount of \$10,734.00. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rinella.  
ON ROLL CALL VOT ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Ordinance No. 2354: An Ordinance to limit incentives (five years of abated taxes) to the Williamson County Enterprise Zone as directed by the Williamson County Enterprise Zone Management Organization.**

Commissioner Rix made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2354 as presented in writing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rinella.  
ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Resolution No. 2011-07: A Resolution whereas the Lake Egypt Water District has proposed to the City of Marion a Raw Water Purchase Contract providing certain conditions for their secondary sale of water from the Marion City Reservoir.**

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2011-07 as presented in writing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Goss.  
ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Appointment of City Clerk-Next Week**

Commissioner Rinella would like to table Ordinance No. 2266 to next week. I want to combine Ordinance No. 1146 into Ordinance No. 2266 regarding water connections. There will be changes made to it, I took it to Glenn Clarida and he had some concerns regarding the 1 1/2 "and 2" meters. There is no test done on them they are just replaced every five years. I talked to Bill Johnston and he said it was cheaper to change the meter than do a test on them.

**Wages: Non Union and Supervisory:**

Commissioner Goss made the motion to accept the wage proposal as presented during Executive Session. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rinella.  
ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioner Goss would like to make a motion to fill the position in the Street Department. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rinella.  
ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Monthly Bills:**

Commissioner Rinella moved to pay the monthly bills as presented by the treasurer's office, subject to the availability of funds. Motion seconded by Commissioner Rix.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

**Executive Minutes:**

Commissioner Rinella made a motion to accept the Executive Minutes as presented in writing and for the Executive Session minutes to remain sealed.

January 4, 11, 18, 25, 2010	February 8, 15, 22, 2010	March 1,8,15,22,29, 2010
April 12, 14, 2010	May 3, 10, 24, 2010	June 21, 28, 2010
July 1, 2010	August 9, 16, 25, 30, 2010	September 13, 27, 2010
October 11, 18, 2010	November 22, 29, 2010	December 27, 2010
January 24, 31, 2011	February 14, 28, 2011	March 14, 28, 21, 2011

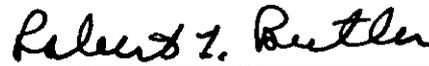
Motion seconded by Commissioner Goss.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTED YES.

Commissioners Rix reported there were 8 DUI's in two months.

Commissioner Rinella would like to compliment Attorney Green and Gail West, City Administrator. We had a long drawn out discussion with CWI Transfer Station, and we finally came to an agreement. In March we received \$3,244.80 for the amount of trash that was dumped at our transfer station.

Council adjourned at 9:10 P.M.



ROBERT L. BUTLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:



DIANE S. PRITCHETT, CITY CLERK

CITY OF MARION COUNCIL AGENDA

DATE: May 16, 2011  
Ordinance: 2356  
Resolution: 2011-08

- REGULAR MTG.  CONTINUED MTG
- SPECIAL MEETING .
- ROLL CALL:
- MINUTES: Reg. Meeting 5-9-11
- EXECUTIVE SESSION –Real Estate-Personnel-Litigation
- EXECUTIVE MINUTES
- TREASURER'S REPORT:
- APPROVE BILLS
- APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA
- PUBLIC COMMENTS:
- ZONING BOARD
- COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:
- OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Ord. 2355 Rules & Regulations of the Cemetery Dept (Revised copy)
- B. Ordinance #2341 Employee Handbook
- C. Ord. 2342: Ordinance establishing procedures for adopting ordinances
- D. Resol 2011-05: 3-way stop sig, one at FS and across the road and one at the end of River to River road
- E. Appointment of City Clerk
- F. Contract: Performance and Rehabilitation
- G. Amend Ord. 2266: Water connections, relevant fees and deposits

NEW BUSINESS: