

MARIONVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
Marionville Fire Station Conference Room, 101 S Central  
Thursday, November 10, 2016

Mayor Rapp called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. On roll call the following Aldermen were present: Chris Murphy, Jessica Wilson, Wanda Montgomery, Kay Leffingwell, and George Jennings. Absent was Donna White. Several citizens were also present.

Following roll call, Mayor Rapp led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and opened the meeting with prayer.

**Approve order of agenda:** Alderman Murphy made the motion to approve the order of the agenda as is, with allowing Bert Bond to go first. Alderman Wilson seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Leffingwell, Jennings, Murphy, Wilson, Montgomery  
ABSENT: 1- White

**Approve minutes of October 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and October 27<sup>th</sup> special meeting:** Alderman Wilson made the motion to approve the minutes of the meetings for October 13<sup>th</sup> and October 27<sup>th</sup> meetings as presented. Alderman Montgomery seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Jennings, Montgomery, Wilson, Leffingwell, Murphy  
ABSENT: 1- White

**Approve payment of Bills, Adjustments, Bank Recs and Cash Reports:** Alderman Murphy made the motion to approve the bills, adjustments, bank recs and cash reports as presented. Alderman Jennings seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Wilson, Leffingwell, Jennings, Montgomery, Murphy  
ABSENT: 1- White

**Citizens Comments/Official Guests and Visitors:**

No citizen's comments

**Bert Bond:** Mr. Bond indicated he has gotten two (2) pieces of equipment converted to run on floaters, switches and timers. He can convert the whole panel to run this way instead of spending thousands on a PLC. It would cost approximately \$1500 to do this. The PLC can be repaired at a later date, but this would save money for now. Alderman Leffingwell made the motion to allow Bert to spend \$1500 to upgrade the control panel and the treatment plant. Mayor Rapp stated this would need to go on next month's agenda. Alderman Leffingwell rescinded her motion and this item will be on December's agenda.

**OLD BUSINESS**

***Open bids to demo house at 105 S Central:***

1. Anderson Excavating, Republic-----\$12,350.00
2. Woody's Express Trucking----- \$5800.00 (add \$700.00 to leave rocks on property)

Alderman Leffingwell made the motion to award the demolition bid to Woody's Express Trucking for \$5800.00, not keeping rocks. Alderman Montgomery seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Murphy, Jennings, Montgomery, Leffingwell, Wilson

ABSENT: 1- White

***School Resource Officer:*** Mayor Rapp indicated this item was mentioned at the budget meeting. The Mayor, Chief Witthuhn, and Sergeant Smith met with Dr. Brown regarding this issue. Dr. Brown indicated the school is very interested in having a resource officer. The school board meets on the 18<sup>th</sup>. The school would pay half (1/2) of the officer's salary plus benefits. It would cost approximately \$47,500.00 total for a school resource officer. Sergeant Smith stated this is the second year Aurora has had a school resource officer. It is working well. The resource officer is at the school every day. The police department gets him back on all holidays and summer. Sergeant Smith stated if the resource officer is needed on the road, she could use him for that. The person would have to go through a two (2) week training class.

Alderman Murphy made the motion to approve a School Resource Officer dependent on the Marionville Board of Education's approval. Alderman Wilson seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Wilson, Montgomery, Murphy, Jennings, Leffingwell

ABSENT: 1-White

***Building Inspector pay at hourly rate or a monthly rate:*** Currently the Building Inspector is getting paid \$20.00 per hour. He has indicated for next year, he would do it for \$800.00 a month and asked to get paid through payroll. In 2008 he was being paid at \$800.00 a month.

Alderman Murphy made a motion to pay the building inspector \$800.00 a month as a part-time employee. Seconded by Alderman Wilson. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Jennings, Wilson, Montgomery, Leffingwell, Murphy

ABSENT: 1- White

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Bill 2016-11/Ordinance 11-2016: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT TO SECTION 205.100 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF MARIONVILLE, MISSOURI DEALING WITH ANIMAL NEGLECT BY ADDING PARAGRAPH E":*** Mayor Rapp read Bill 2016-11 twice by title only. Paragraph E reads: "Any person convicted two (2) times of animal neglect or abandonment under Section 205.100 or animal abuse under Section 205.120 of the Marionville Municipal Code shall therein after be prohibited from owning, keeping, boarding, storing, watching or otherwise maintain control of any animal or pet within the city limits of Marionville." Alderman Wilson questioned if that was the board's job to tell people they can or can't

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have a pet. Mayor Rapp indicated we can control to a degree how animals are treated. Alderman Leffingwell made the motion to accept Bill 2016-11/Ordinance 11-2016 as presented. Seconded by Alderman Jennings. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 4- Montgomery, Murphy, Jennings, Leffingwell

NAYES: 1- Wilson

ABSENT: 1- White

**General Code to provide a sample ordinance and update the Offenses Chapter in the City Code Book due to new state statutes:** General Code codifies our ordinances to be put in the City Code Book. Since there have been over 900 changes to the state statutes regarding Crimes and Punishment, General Code is offering to write a sample ordinance for these changes and codification of the adopted ordinance supplemented into the City's Code book for \$1,195.00 plus an additional charge of \$18.00 per page for any additional offenses the city already has besides the state statutes. General Code doesn't think the additional cost would exceed \$200.00 in briefly looking over our code. Alderman Leffingwell made the motion to approve General Code to provide a sample ordinance and update the City's Offense Chapter in the Code Book. Alderman Jennings seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Leffingwell, Murphy, Jennings, Montgomery, Wilson

ABSENT: 1- White

**Planning and Zoning appointments:** Mayor Rapp reappointed Gina Stringer and Rex Tinsley to the Planning and Zoning Board. Alderman Leffingwell made the motion to accept the Mayor's re-appointment of Gina Stringer and Rex Tinsley to the Planning and Zoning Board. Alderman Murphy seconded the motion. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Jennings, Wilson, Leffingwell, Murphy, Montgomery

ABSENT: 1- White

**Amend Code for Insufficient funds:** We currently charge a \$30.00 fee for each check that comes back. The city has received several returned checks in the last few months from the same people and the collector has asked to change the policy to require payment by cash or money order if we receive insufficient funds from the same person two (2) times within a twelve (12) month period. Alderman Leffingwell made a motion to proceed with an ordinance to amend the code to state if we receive insufficient funds from a customer two (2) times within a twelve (12) month period; they must pay in cash or money order. Alderman Murphy seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Montgomery, Jennings, Leffingwell, Wilson, Murphy

ABSENT: 1- White

*I & I:* Mayor Rapp stated our engineer has indicated it was no problem for them to apply for this grant. The engineer said this just pays for the I & I study; not any repairs. The cap is fifty thousand

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dollars (\$50,000) so the city's part could be five thousand to ten thousand dollars (\$5,000-\$10,000). Bert Bond said he had been in contact with the Department of Natural Resources and anybody can fill out that grant. They are sending him the forms and he will go over them with the mayor. The maximum amount the city is obligated to pay would be twelve thousand, five hundred dollars (\$12,500). A facility plan would have to be completed by an engineer. He said the person at the DNR suggested seeking RFQ's from engineers to do this. Alderman Murphy asked if Mr. Bond could put together a step by step of what needs to happen. No motion was made on this item.

***Bill 2016-12/Ordinance 12-2016: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARIONVILLE, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF AURORA FOR DISPATCHING"***: Mayor Rapp read Bill 2016-12 twice by title only. Alderman Wilson made the motion to approve Bill 2016-12/Ordinance 12-2016 as presented. Alderman Leffingwell seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Jennings, Montgomery, Wilson, Leffingwell, Murphy  
ABSENT: 1- White

***Bill 2016-13/Ordinance 13-2016: "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARIONVILLE, MISSOURI TO ENTER A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF AURORA, MISSOURI FOR POLICE SERVICES"***: Alderman Leffingwell stated she was still opposed to this contract. She had nothing against the officers or the police chief, but was concerned that Marionville does not have any authority. Mayor Rapp felt this was a benefit and Alderman Murphy indicated he sees police officers all the time. Sergeant Smith stated things are getting done with more than three (3) officers. Alderman Murphy made the motion to approve Bill 2016-13/Ordinance 13-2016 as presented. Alderman Wilson seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 5- Wilson, Murphy, Jennings, Montgomery  
NAYES: 1- Leffingwell  
ABSENT: 1- White

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

(None)

## **ALDERMEN COMMENTS**

***Kay Leffingwell:*** Asked about overtime for police. Sergeant Smith indicated the officers had medical and narcotics training.

***Chris Murphy:*** He expressed concern about getting copies of the timecards. He felt that was a lot of wasted paper since the time cards were kept at city hall if they needed to see them. The aldermen indicated they didn't need them in their packets at this time. Alderman Murphy also stated some of the campaign signs were still up and in the right of way.

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**MAYOR COMMENTS**

- A public hearing will be on December 8, 2016 from 6:15 pm to 6:30 pm in regarding the increase in sewer rates.
- Nancy Suneson has asked us to adopt an ordinance regarding dogs not being chained up. She will get us a copy of Springfield's ordinance for the next meeting.
- The MML has suggested the board choose community minded citizens to serve on a mayor's committee to provide input on ideas to help municipalities.
- The Marionville Christmas Parade will be December 10 along with Christmas on the Square.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Montgomery made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Leffingwell. All voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Doris Rapp, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Debbie Bateman, City Clerk

