MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 17, 2023

The Mayor and Council of the City of Marion met on Monday, July 17, 2023 in its regularly scheduled council session. The council meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in the Council's Chambers of the Marion City Hall located at 123 E. Jefferson St. and via Zoom. The public was asked for comments and concerns during the public comment session. Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton called the meeting to order immediately following public comments. On roll call the following members were present: Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton, Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1), Councilman Joseph Pearson (D3), Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4), and Councilman Jefferson K. Nail (D5). Councilman Tommy Kennie (D2) was absent. Mr. Donnis Cowart and Zoom recorded the minutes. Attorney Ainka Sanders Jackson of the Law Office of Chestnut, Sanders, and Sanders, L.L.C., along with local citizens, and other agenda presenters were also present.

A quorum being present, Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton declared the meeting open for the transaction of business.

The invocation was provided by Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton. The Pledge of Allegiance was cited in concert.

Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) moved to adopt the minutes from the previous council session held on Monday, July 10, 2023. Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro Tem D4) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Jefferson Nail (D5) moved to pay the monthly expenditures as presented removing the Government Economics invoice until more clarity is gained and adding a \$60,000.00 payment for payroll from the Water/Sewer Checking for garbage charges. Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) seconded the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote was requested by the Presiding Officer noting the following: Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) yes, Councilman Joseph Pearson (D3) no, Councilman Willie Jackson, (Pro-Tem, D4) yes, Councilman Jefferson K. Nail (D5) yes, and Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton yes. The motion carried in a 4-1 vote.

The Verizon Wireless Contract Proposal was presented. Councilman Joseph Pearson (D3) moved to table the proposal. Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem D4) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem D4) moved to make an addendum to the agenda to add the roadway cut backs to the agenda at \$135 per hour and the municipality to set a budget. Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Jefferson Nail (D5) moved to utilize Sand Hill Services to perform roadway cut backs at \$135 per hour and municipal budget of \$8,235.00 with a total 61 hours. Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Councilman Jefferson Nail (D5) moved to authorize Mayor Hinton to move forward with the ARPA agreement showing the city's intent to accept the terms and funding provided by the FY 2022 Clean and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund-American Rescue Plan. Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) seconded the motion. Motion carried. A roll call vote was requested by the Presiding Officer noting the following: Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) yes, Councilman Joseph Pearson (D3) yes, Willie Jackson, (Pro-Tem, D4) yes, Councilman Jefferson K. Nail (D5) yes, and Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton yes. The motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to come before the council, it was properly moved by Councilman Jefferson K. Nail (D4) that the session be adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1). Motion carried. Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, August 7, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council's Chambers.

	Mayo
Attest:	
City Clerk-Treasurer	