



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2019

The March 20, 2019 regular meeting of the Marthasville Board of Alderman was held at Marthasville City Hall and called to order at 7:00 PM with Mayor David Lange, presiding. Mayor Lange led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by the City Clerk, Rhiannan Clark. Aldermen Nick Lange, Dan Grafrath, Eugene Jenkins, and Mayor David Lange were present. After roll call Mayor Lange reported a quorum was present.

Also in attendance were City Clerk, Rhiannan Clark; City Attorney, Mark Piontek.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderman Lange made the motion to approve the agenda. Aldermen Grafrath seconded this motion. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderman Lange made the motion to approve the February 20, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes. Aldermen Grafrath seconded this motion. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN COMMENTS

Alderman Lange - Alderman Lange commented that he is glad to see the new sidewalks being put in.

Alderman Grafrath - The F250 owned by the City needs a new transmission. It is under warranty. Alderman Grafrath also reported that Adam Hackmann bladed the road, and reminded the Board that as part of the contract with Mr. Hackmann, he is allowed to bill the City for two loads of rock. Additionally, some residents on Tanglewood Drive reported snow plowing issues to Alderman Grafrath, which he addressed.

Alderman Meyer- Absent

Alderman Jenkins - Alderman Jenkins asked the City Clerk if she received information from Becky Adams. The City Clerk indicated that she did receive information from Becky Adams. Alderman Jenkins claimed that Mrs. Adams provided a deed from the County that proved the City was using her property. The Mayor noted that was no longer the case. Alderman Jenkins agreed. Alderman Jenkins said Mrs. Adams would like her property returned to the condition it was in previously or better. Justin Backhaus contacted Alderman Jenkins regarding having his address changed from a Main St. address to a Second St. address. Mayor Lange explained how the GIS mapping & address assignments make that a somewhat complicated issue, which was explained to Mr. Backhaus in official response to him from the City Clerk. Alderman Lange noted that the City Clerk was researching policies by other municipalities when moving a mailbox is requested. Alderman Jenkins responded that Mr. Backhaus did not wish to move his mailbox, but only wanted to change his address. Alderman Lange and the Mayor were under the impression that Mr. Backhaus would also like to move his mailbox. The Mayor stated that if Mr. Backhaus only wanted to change his address, he needed to contact the U.S. Postal Service.

REPORTS:

1. MAYOR LANGE

- It is possible there might be a park dedication next week. As announced on the City's Facebook page, the paving of streets will begin this coming Friday. Flyers will also be sent requesting that there be no parking on the street during the paving project.

2. MONTHLY BILLS/FINANCIAL REPORT

- Aldermen Lange made the motion to approve the monthly bills and the financial report. The motion was to pay all bills in full with the exception of the Knapheide (hold \$20,000) and Whisper (hold entire invoice). Aldermen Grafrath seconded this motion. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote.



12. CITY HALL ADDITION

- Ameren moved the pole for free. Blue flame still needs to move the tank. Alderman Lange explained that he did scoping. The three alternates and pricing for each bid was discussed. After analyzing all options, Lamke's bid is lower. Additionally, the completion date with Lamke would be several months ahead of the estimated completion date with Banze. After much discussion, Alderman Lange made the motion to approve the bid for \$326,317.50 from Lamke for the City Hall Addition and accept the clarifications and alternates. The project will be paid for as follows: \$100,000 from Water Fund; \$100,000 from Sewer Fund; \$25,000 from Streets Fund; \$25,000 from Capital Improvements Fund; and \$76,317.50 from General Fund. Alderman Grafrath seconded the motion. Alderman Meyer seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

13. COCHRAN ENGINEERING: RUSCHE PARK RETENTION POND & WESSEL PARK

- Alderman Lange made a motion to approve Cochran Engineering's proposal for engineering services for item #1 Wessel Park and item #2 Rusche Park. The Wessel Park Project will be paid for from the City Park budget. The Rusche Park Project will be paid for out of the Rusche Park Fund. Alderman Grafrath seconded the motion. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

14. DEPOT LEASE

- Pam Jensen with the Marthasville Chamber of Commerce addressed the Board regarding renewing the Depot lease with DNR. The lease is due by the end of March, 2019. Mrs. Jensen stated that if the Board wishes to renew the lease, there must be a letter indicating a desire to do so by the Mayor and the President of the Chamber. Mrs. Jensen feels it is an asset to the City that could be utilized even further than it currently is. The agreement is that the Chamber pays for the cleaning of the restrooms and grass cutting one year, the City the next. Currently, Loretta Davis cuts the grass. Alderman Lange brought to Mrs. Jensen's attention that the City hasn't been billing the Chamber for several years for the expense of the Depot. Mrs. Jensen wasn't aware that the Chamber wasn't being billed by the City for this expense. The new lease agreement would be for a term of 15 years. Mrs. Jensen informed the Board that the Chamber is in agreement that they want to extend the lease, it was just a matter of if the City wanted to sign a letter as well. Mayor Lange stated that the City does not own the Depot, and has no rights or ownership in it. He feels this particular lease is unfair to the tax payers of Marthasville, as they already pay taxes to the State to maintain DNR properties. The City was originally brought into the agreement by the Chamber as a vehicle to obtain a grant more easily. Alderman Lange noted that there is not a mutually executed contract detailing the cleaning schedule or frequency and there needs to be. Alderman Lange stated it was a benefit for the City and he is in favor of extending the lease. He also feels the City and the Chamber need to get together and sign an agreement with the details of how the lease will work, so that all bases are covered. Alderman Lange made the motion to extend the lease between the State of Missouri DNR and the City of Marthasville along with the Chamber of Commerce. The motion includes developing a mutually agreeable cost sharing plan with the Chamber for the required upkeep. Alderman Grafrath seconded the motion. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote. Mrs. Jensen then asked if the City would be drafting the letter or if the Chamber should draft the letter. The Board indicated that the Chamber should draft the letter.

15. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- September 8, 2019 there will be a Tractor Cruise from Concord Hill to Washington. Alderman Lange made the motion to approve the Knights of Columbus Tractor Cruise in September and allow them to take tractors through the City streets. Alderman Jenkins seconded the motion. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote.