

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
MARLETTE CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 6, 2017**

Mayor Cargill called a regular meeting of the Marlette City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Quade, Wilson, Bush, Moshier, Hunter. Excused: Babich. Also Present: City Manager Corey Schmidt.

Motion by Moshier and second by Quade to approve minutes of January 16, 2017 as presented.

Carried.

Motion by Moshier and second by Quade to approve payment of Accounts Payable dated January 30, 2017 as presented in the amount of \$21,801.18.

Carried.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS/DELETIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

CITIZENS CONCERNS/COMMENTS: Sanilac County Commissioner Bob Conley reported on business that will be conducted at the February 7, 2017 Board meeting.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR: None

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS: Wilson reported that the Infrastructure Committee had met and their recommendation is on the agenda. Bush reported that the Park Board had met and their recommendation is also on the agenda.

MANAGER REPORT: Manager Schmidt noted that the cemetery mowing contract has expired and he would like to solicit bids for the mowing. He would recommend a line on the bid sheet asking for pricing for an "option year", which would allow the City to retain a company for another year beyond the two year term.

Motion by Quade and second by Hunter to authorized the City Manager to solicit bids for the cemetery mowing contract, including the option year in the contract.

Carried.

Schmidt also reported that the Safe Routes to Schools team will be meeting on Thursday, February 9th to discuss the formation of an action plan. A meeting with Townley Engineering will be held to determine cost and a resolution should be ready for the April Council meeting.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT: Chief McGinnis reported on the heroin community awareness program that had an attendance of 170 and from those four individuals have sought counseling and treatment.

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McGinnis also noted that he is organizing a program that A Chance to Change will conduct at the high school for grades 9-12. The Sanilac County drug unit will pick up the cost of the program.

Councilman Quade report that he had attended the program and he felt unsettled but also grateful. He wanted to thank Chief McGinnis for identifying the need for such a program and now understands better what the Chief and the community are up against with the heroin epidemic.

Councilman Bush stated that he also attended the program and very much appreciated the efforts of Chief McGinnis in bringing the program to the community. He also noted that it was good to see the obtaining of Narcan and the training that will take place. Bush also mentioned that the Families Against Narcotics Chapter was discussed at the program and he would be willing to help if a chapter is formed in Sanilac County.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A. 2017-18 Road Priorities

Wilson reported that the Infrastructure had a meeting and reviewed the results of the PASER study. The consensus of the committee was to recommend resurfacing Vail Street, Ellsworth Street (from Main to Wilson) and Lamotte (from Marlette to Morris) in 2017-18, citing poor condition, high traffic counts, and proximity to major routes.

Motion by Bush and second by Quade to accept the recommendation of the Infrastructure Committee to resurface Vail Street, Ellsworth Street (from Main to Wilson) and Lamotte (from Marlette to Morris) and to hire Townley Engineering at a cost not to exceed \$4,500 for bid preparation and construction administration.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS: A. MDNR Grant Application

Schmidt reported that the Park Board had a meeting concerning the MDNR Grant application. He explained that the grant would support renovation of the basketball court at the park. Members asked if another grant application could be submitted for replacement equipment at the park. The consensus of the board was to recommend to council the submission of two grant applications, one for the basketball court and the other for playground equipment.

Motion by Bush and second by Wilson to accept the Park Board recommendation to submit Recreation Passport grant applications for the basketball court renovation project and a playground equipment replacement project.

Carried.

B. 2nd Quarter Budget Amendments 2017-18 Budget

Motion by Hunter and second by Quade to approve 2nd Quarter Budget amendments as presented.

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Quade asked the Manager if there was anything out of the ordinary. Schmidt replied only the streets reflecting the biggest adjustment because of eliminating the transfer from the Municipal Street Fund into Major and Local Street Funds due to projects coming in under budget.

Carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Wilson mentioned that if there were funds left in the street funds crack filling would be done. It was also noted that Carpenter Street paving from Lorraine to the bus garage and resurfacing Angle Street should be prioritized in 2018-19.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ron Coltson inquired about the power lead to the soldiers mound at the cemetery. Corey will check into this.

Joseph Wurfel, 7363 Marlette Road asked the Council if they would consider allowing him to use his ATV as he has a handicap.

Mayor Cargill stated that Council had discussed the issue many times but the Ordinance Committee could meet and discuss the request.

Motion by Quade and second by Hunter to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Carried.

Dennis Cargill, Mayor

Sandra Cargill, Clerk