

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 21, 2021
CITY OF MARLETTE**

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Bush called a regular meeting of Marlette City Council to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call

Bell, Hunter, Kopacz, Quade, Wilson.

Opening of Public Hearing

Motion by Quade, supported by Hunter to open Public Hearing. Motion carried.

1. 2021 Tax Rate Request – Millage Rate (L-4029)

Hunter made the motion to approve the tax rate request – millage rate for 2021. Supported by Quade. Motion carried.

2. Resolution #10/2021 - Resolution to Establish Fees and Rates for City Permits and Services.

Manager Rudzis said that the caregiver application and review fee of \$1,000 was added to the fees and rates for city permits and services.

Motion by Hunter and supported by Kopacz to approve Resolution #10/2021. Roll call vote. Bell – Yes. Hunter – Yes. Kopacz – Yes. Quade – Yes. Wilson – Yes. Motion carried.

3. Resolution #11/2021 – Resolution to Adopt the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Manager Rudzis explained the fund balance sheet changed because the sidewalk bids were now included. Manager Rudzis also explained the American Rescue Plan funds will hopefully be available in the upcoming month and there is reporting he will submit.

Motion by Kopacz to approve Resolution #11/2021 to adopt the budget for the fiscal year 2021-2022. Supported by Wilson. Roll call vote. Bell – Yes. Hunter – Yes. Kopacz – Yes. Quade – Yes. Wilson – Yes. Motion carried.

4. Resolution #12/2021 – Resolution to Establish the Wage Scale for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Manager Rudzis stated there was a 2% cost of living added to the wage scale.

Quade made the motion to approve Resolution #12/2021 to establish the wage scale for FY 2021/2022. Supported by Kopacz. Roll call vote. Bell – Yes. Hunter – Yes. Kopacz – Yes. Quade – Yes. Wilson – Yes. Motion carried.

Closing of Public Hearing

Motion made by Hunter, supported by Quade to adjourn Public Hearing. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Motion led by Hunter, supported by Quade to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Additions/Corrections/Deletions

Mayor Bush requested that Fire Building Improvement is added under new business under item H.

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Correspondence

None presented.

Citizen's Comments/Concerns

Patrecia Ross was present and represented the Historical Society. Patrecia stated with the limited help they are receiving, the historical society may not have enough help to keep the Train Depot open.

Ron Coltson was present. Ron discussed the upcoming improvements that are scheduled to take place on July 1st, 2021 at the Marlette Fire Hall.

Fire Authority Report

None presented.

DPW Report

Report submitted by DPW Supervisor, Joe Willis.

Community Development Specialist Report

Lisa Kenny reviewed her monthly report submitted to City Council. Kenny shared that her last day will be July 9th, 2021. Kenny was thanked by Mayor Bush and members of City Council for her dedication and all she has completed during her time with the city.

Communication from the Mayor

Mayor Bush thanked Manager Rudzis and Treasurer, Sarah Kady for recognizing Council Member, Dale Moshier with a ribbon and rose at his council chair in his remembrance.

Council/Committee Report

Kopacz reported on behalf of the park board. Kopacz said at the last park board meeting there was discussion regarding what playground equipment could be purchased for \$35,000. Hunter commented on the effort that went into preparing budget and thanked staff for working on the budget.

Manager Report

The City Manager's report was included in the packet for review by City Council. Manager Rudzis added that Jared Driscoll from the Wastewater Treatment Plant has accepted a new position in Midland.

Police Chief Report

Report was submitted by Police Chief, Brian McGinnis.

Unfished Business

1. **ORV Ordinance**

Bell stated that the recommendation from the Infrastructure Committee to council is to work with the City's attorney to pursue an ORV ordinance. Mayor Bush said that he is opposed to the ORV ordinance because of the safety aspect. Quade also stated that he is not comfortable with the ORV ordinance because the police department does not recommend it. **Kopacz made the motion to work with the city's attorney and pursue drafting an ORV ordinance. Supported by Wilson. Motion carried.**

2. **Charter Discussion**

Mayor Bush asked council members Hunter, Kopacz, and Quade to form a charter committee. The council members agreed to form the charter committee.

New Business

1. **Street Bid Award**

Manager Rudzis and Scott Western from Townley Engineering recommend awarding the street bid to Astec Asphalt, ACE. **Motion was made by Hunter and supported by Quade to award the sidewalk bid to Astec Asphalt, Ace. Motion carried.**

2. **Sidewalk Bid Award**

Quade made the motion to award the sidewalk bid for the East side of M53 to Kappel Excavating and to award the sidewalk bid option #3 to Donley Excavating. Bell supported. Motion carried.

3. **Playground Equipment**

Manager Rudzis recommends to council to approve the purchase of the playground equipment of \$35,000 from Game Time, Sinclair Recreation LLC. **Kopacz made the motion to purchase the piece of playground equipment through Game Time, Sinclair Recreation LLC for \$35,000. Quade supported. Motion carried.**

4. **IT Services**

Manager Rudzis asked council to give him permission to end the contract with Hi-Tech and switch IT services to Abadata. **Wilson made the motion to authorize Manager Rudzis to the switch the IT services from Hi-Tech to Abadata. Hunter supported. Motion carried.**

5. **Pool Admission Costs**

Manager Rudzis explained that currently only those who swim are charged the pool admission fee. Manager Rudzis asked council for permission to start charging everyone in the pool fence, whether the individual is swimming or is a bystander. **Kopacz made the motion to start charging each person in the fence the pool admission fee. Supported by Bell. Motion carried.**

6. Mini Excavator Warranty Extension

DPW Supervisor, Joe Willis noted the warranty extension would provide an additional two years of coverage on the mini excavator.

Hunter made the motion to buy the warranty for the mini excavator. Supported by Quade. Motion carried.

7. Library Board Appointment

Hunter made the motion to appoint Dennis Cargill to the Library Board. Supported by Kopacz. Motion carried.

8. Fire Building Improvement

Hunter explained the improvements to be made to the fire hall. Steel will be added to the exterior of the building. The cost is \$85,790 to be spread over five years at an interest rate of 1.9%. **Quade made the motion to authorize Hunter to sign the documents pertaining to the fire hall improvement and to approve the cost of \$85,790 for the improvements. Supported by Kopacz. Motion carried.**

Council Comments

Quade shared memories of council member, Dale Moshier in his remembrance.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

Motion by Hunter, supported by Kopacz to adjourn meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M

Rebecca Slater, City Clerk

Charles Bush, Mayor