

# City of Marthasville

## MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MARTHASVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN February 17, 2016

The February 17, 2016 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. Roll call was taken by City Clerk, Carla Heggemann. Aldermen Dan Grafrath, Pam Jensen, Mike Kloepfel and Mayor David Lange were present. Alderman Nick Lange was absent. After roll call Mayor Lange reported a quorum was present.

Also in attendance were City Clerk, Carla Heggemann; City Attorney, Jamis Kresyman; Police Chief Jenkins; Lisa Irwin; Brad Landwehr; Dennis Kopp; Tim Flagg, ESA, Inc.; Joe Barker, Missouriian Publishing; Wendell Webb, Beth Vincent, Rick Mantione and Arden Engelage, Tribute to Veterans Memorial; Becky Adams (404 E South St); Tom Haberberger (811 Northridge Dr); Butch Broeker (501 E Main St); Craig Glosemeyer (106 Norcoa); Corey Hanneken (116 Rottmann); David & Dawn Edgington (202 N Fourth St); Eldon Green (105 Rottmann); Jim & Cindy Buescher (309 Hiawatha); Kay Buhr (908 Katy Lane); Jenny Buescher (904 Katy Lane); Brenda Daniels (103 Shawn Patrick); Susan Sanders (102 S. Fifth St); William Wessel; Addam Ayala and Trei Irwin.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Lange asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Motioned by Alderman Kloepfel, seconded by Alderman Grafrath, to approve the meeting agenda. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote. Agenda was approved.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Lange asked for a motion to approve all the minutes together from the January 20, 2016 Regular Meeting, the January 20, 2016 Executive Session Meeting and the February 3, 2016 Workshop Meeting. Motioned by Alderman Kloepfel, seconded by Alderwoman Jensen to approve minutes from the three meetings. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote. Minutes were approved.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tom Haberberger (811 Northridge Dr) stated that he still has a complaint about speeding. He thinks that maybe drivers just do not know how fast they are going. The worst times of the day are 3:25pm when children are walking home from school and also around 7:30am when children are walking to school. It is just a matter of being in the right place of the right time for the police department to catch them before they kill somebody.

Eldon Green (105 Rottmann) stated that he received a letter the other day addressed to his wife. As he does not open his wife's mail, he took it to her in the Alzheimer's ward and as she read it she started to cry. Eldon stated that it is pretty low if you can't put your name on it and if you're going to send letters out put your name on it. He does not care whether you like what he says or not, he could care less. He's not for the Mayor and not for the citizens he is here because he is a citizens and he is upset. If anyone would have had to see his wife cry, that's pitiful. Know who you are sending the letters to if you are not going to put your name on them. Eldon wanted to state a few more things about this letter, it says "liars and bullies" in it. Eldon stated, so what, that's all politics have been anyway look at the National. They are famous for it in the National, they are really good at it. The letter also states "we hear from a few people what a wonderful job the Lange Gang is doing. I guess Charles Manson, David Koresh, Jim Jones, Hitler had their followers. Don't drink the Kool Aid." Eldon stated that he is Jewish and that word "Hitler" hurt, it went down deep into him. If you are Jewish and you watch some of your relatives way back then and know that they are relatives of yours and you know about them marching them and what Hitler said. Why in the world would we call someone in Marthasville Hitler? Eldon stated that if you want to come yell at him, come to his house. He has done enough yelling for all of us. He just can't understand this. The letter states "let us set the record straight" about the street. Eldon stated that He might have been Mayor when the subdivision started, and he's not sticking up for the Mayor, but that street was not built right. Eldon stated that he went up and down that street when he moved here, he called the Mayor at that time and told him then that those streets were not being

compacted. The Mayor stated that we were meeting standards. Eldon questioned the standards at that time and all he was told was that we were meeting the standards. Eldon called three different times and almost anyone could see that those streets were not being built right. There is no question about it. Eldon stated that he was willing to pay the money himself to fix that street and his wife asked him the other day as she read this letter that she thought he was going to pay for that. Eldon had to say, no he's not. Eldon stated that he absolutely loves this town and doesn't know what has happened to divide this town so much. If the Bank of Washington has the problem, let them work it out. If they can't then let them form some kind of a committee and work it out. He asked for us not to call each other bad names cause we are better humans than that. Eldon stated he doesn't know who's writing the letters, he doesn't care who's writing them, and asked not to send anymore to his house.

Guest Speaker - Mayor Lange introduced Rick Manitone, President of the Tribute to Veteran's Memorial Committee. Rick Manitone, Historian Wendell Webb, Secretary Beth Vincent and Arden Engelage informed the Board and Visitors about a memorial that is being constructed in front of the Warren County Administrative in Warrenton. The design was explained in detail as well as the process of ordering brick pavers that are being sold to help fund the project. This is a countywide memorial which will have seventy names from Warren County on it, seven of which came from the Marthasville area. This is a gold star memorial which will educate our kids whom do not have the knowledge of the service to country or sacrifice to country that these men gave.

### **BOARD OF ALDERMEN COMMENTS**

Alderwoman Jensen stated that she had one Citizen that brought up cleaning out under the Highway D bridge. Mayor Lange stated that we are waiting on buying equipment to get that done and it is still on the agenda. Alderwoman Jensen stated that we did say we could rent equipment. Mayor Lange stated that it is on the work list.

### **MAYORS COMMENTS, REPORTS, APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Lange stated that Mr. Piontek is working on ingress/egress easements to the construction site for the sewer extension. Mayor is meeting with the engineer tomorrow to get started on that part. Mayor Lange called a Special Meeting for March 2, 2016 at 7:00pm to continue our work on the Employee Handbook, Purchasing Policy and Social Media Policy. Another meeting might be called in April if it does not get finished up during this one.

### **REPORTS OF OTHER OFFICERS:**

#### **a. Treasurers Report -**

- i. **Approval of Bills for the Month** - Alderwoman Jensen questioned the Invoice for the park surveying, asking if it only cost \$600. Mayor Lange stated that it was \$50 per hour and the Park Board had an estimate from Lewis and Bade for \$5,700. This invoice is just for the parks downtown saving about \$4,000 if Lewis and Bade would have done it. Motioned by Alderman Kloeppe, seconded by Alderwoman Jensen, to approve and pay all bills for the month. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote. Motion approved.

#### **b. City Clerks Report - No Report Given.**

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

#### **a. City Parks**

- i. **City Parks Board** - Nothing to report, no quorum at the meeting this month.
  - ii. **Rusche Park Board** - Mayor Lange stated that the barn was lit on Friday and it partially burned. Another attempt will be made soon. Mayor Lange presented a plaque to outgoing board member Jenny Buescher for her service on the Rusche Park Board from 1989 to 2016.
- #### **b. Public Works** - Brad Landwehr stated he's been working on ditches and cleaning out culvert pipes. The ditch on Norcoa has been dug out and the Forth street ditch culvert was put in today. Brad has spoken with the Fire Chief to get fire flows done on all fire hydrants this spring, will also paint and mark each hydrant. There was an accident by the City Park this last week, a young man slid and hit the telephone pole. Looking into purchasing road salt for next year and getting on the bid list for Warren County. Brad has looked at purchasing a concrete saw and will have prices for next meeting. Renting one would cost \$60 per day. Still waiting on water meters to arrive. Brad is currently looking at attachments for the Mini Excavator and pricing a Skid Steer under state bid.

- c. **Water and Sewer** - Tim Flagg stated the lead and copper levels came in and levels are good. During Tim's attendance at a meeting with DNR in Rhineland, MO, he learned that DNR will be waiving ammonia level restrictions for the next ten years to certain communities that have not been able to upgrade their system. DNR did a study on the costs involved to upgrade the system through discharge relocation in order to meet the ammonia level restrictions. We are currently under construction of our own discharge relocation project and about 90% complete. Through this study, at the City's current flow, DNR estimated the City's costs would be roughly \$1,166,974 to complete this project. With a 30% contingency fee alone which would be approximately \$300,000. To date Marthasville's costs are at approximately \$135,000 with the project completion under \$200,000. Saving this City a significant amount of money on the project the way the City has handled it to this point. Not relying on bond issues, grants or paying interest. The information on the ingress/egress has already been finished. The surveys have been complete and are at Fitch and Associates in Troy, MO. If that needs to be obtained again, that is where it is located. The Mayor stated that is separate from the ingress/egress surveys, that was the construction surveys. To which Tim Flagg stated that they were ingress/egress surveys that were done from Hwy 94 all the way back. The Mayor stated that the Attorney has all the information he needs and we will be going through the levee as soon as the ingress/egress easements are finished. Alderman Kloeppe questioned going through the levee, he remembers the agreement to go over the levee which is what the Corp of Engineers recommended due to the soil samples that were collected. The Geotech information showed gravel about five foot down. The levee district wanted to do what the Corp of Engineers suggested.
- d. **Police Department** - Mayor Lange presented Police Chief, Eugene Jenkins report. 16 Summons, 18 Warnings, 4 Reports, 3 Arrest, 11 Assist Citizens, 3 Assist other Agencies, 16 Nuisance Violations, 0 Derelict Vehicles, 0 Death, 0 Accidents.
- e. **Animal Control** - 5 visits in January; 0 Warnings, 0 Dogs and 0 Cats.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. **Hiawatha Street Widening Project** - Mayor Lange stated that Driemeyer's quit claim deeds are signed. Waiting on the Witthaus's to come in and sign theirs. Then we can finish up preliminary drawings and after that hopefully go out for bids.
- b. **Bids on City Contracts** - Mayor Lange stated that thirty-nine City Contracts were gone over in the workshop meeting a couple weeks ago. Out of those thirty-nine, we highlighted nine that we wanted to act on. Five of those nine include, Waste Water Treatment & Water System expires June 13, 2016, Solid Waste Removal expires May 31, 2016, Workers Compensation Insurance expires May 1, 2016, Collection Agency expires May 23, 2016 and City Attorney expiration date unknown. Jamis Kresyman stated that the City Attorney is a professional position which would need a request for proposal not a bid. Mayor Lange asked the Board what they wanted to do with these five. Alderman Grafrath stated that for the best interest of the taxpayer we should go out for bid on these. Mayor Lange stated that the Board agreed at the Workshop meeting to go out for bids nine, these are five of those nine. The others we need to work on are the Purchasing policy and some others that expire later in the year. These five expire in May or June so we should be going out for bids on these now. Mayor Lange asked for a motion to be made. Alderman Kloeppe questioned that for the Solid Waste Removal contract will we be including the spring and fall big trash pickup in our bid. Motioned by Alderwoman Jensen, seconded by Alderman Kloeppe to go out for bid on the Waste Water Treatment and Water System, Solid Waste Removal, Workers Compensation Insurance and Collection Agency. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote. Motion passed. Alderwoman Jensen stated that the City Attorney can be discussed at the next meeting.
- c. **Ordinances** - Mayor Lange stated that the Ordinances that are to be discussed are the House Numbering Ordinance and the Salaries for Elected Officials.  
 Housing numbering ordinance, it was discussed at the workshop to include options. 3" numbers posted on house or post in yard and 2" numbers if posted on mailbox if located in front of residence. This ordinance will hopefully get people to start putting numbers on their homes. Ordinance violation will be up to \$100 or imprisonment if not followed. Mayor Lange asked for a motion. Motioned by Alderman Kloeppe, seconded by Alderman Grafrath to write up an ordinance for house numbering. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote. Motion passed.  
 Salaries for Elected Officials, it was budgeted in previous years but the previous Board did not pass the ordinance

to do so. The last time an ordinance was passed giving raises to Elected Officials was back in September of 2006. Jamis Kresyman clarified that this will not go into effect until the next term the Mayor or Aldermen are elected. The rates would be \$2,000 a year for Mayor and \$1,700 for Aldermen. Mayor Lange asked for a motion. Motioned by Alderwoman Jensen, seconded by Alderman Grafrath to write up an ordinance to follow through with ordinance for salaries. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote. Motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Nothing at this time.

**VOTE TO ADJOURN**

Motioned by Alderman Kloeppe, seconded by Alderman Grafrath, to adjourn the meeting. All Aldermen present voted "Aye". Motion passed with a 3-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm.

I hereby certify that these are the original minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on Wednesday, February 17, 2016.

Carla Heggemann, City Clerk

Date Minutes Approved: 3-16-16

  
Mike Kloeppe, Board President

  
Attest: Carla Heggemann, City Clerk

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