

**City of Marine City  
City Commission  
January 16, 2014**

A regular meeting of the Marine City Commission was held on Thursday, January 16, 2014, in the Fire Hall, 200 South Parker Street, Marine City, Michigan, and was called to order by Mayor Charles R. Browne at 7:00 pm.

After observing a moment of silence, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Browne.

**Present: Mayor Browne; Commissioners Avery, Hendrick, Lovett, and Turner; City Manager Gabor; and, City Clerk Baxter.**

**Absent: Commissioners Skotarczyk and Meli**

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to excuse Commissioners Skotarczyk and Meli from the meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Skotarczyk arrived during the meeting after the members of the Commission had voted on the Motion to excuse him from the meeting.

**Communications**

There were no Communications presented.

**Public Comment**

No residents addressed the Commission.

**Approve Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner Lovett, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to add the following item to the Agenda:

- Consent Agenda                      8-D ~ MCAFA Minutes for December 18, 2013

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Lovett, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the Agenda, as amended. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **Approve Minutes**

Motion by Commissioner Lovett, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting held December 19, 2013, as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **Consent Agenda**

The following Consent Agenda items were presented:

- Departmental Activity Reports
- Marine City Area Fire Authority Run Report ~ December, 2013
- Special Event ~ Ice Jam 2014
- Marine City Area Fire Authority Meeting Minutes ~ December 18, 2013

Motion by Commissioner Lovett, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the Consent Agenda, and place it on file. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **New Business**

#### ***Cottrellville Township Sewer Contract:***

- ***Sewer Rate Computation for the Year Ended June 30, 2013***
- ***Sewer Rate Computation Estimate for the Year Ended June 30, 2014***

Motion by Commissioner Lovett, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to accept the Sewer Rate Computation for Year Ended June 30, 2013, and the Sewer Rate Computation Estimate for Year Ended June 30, 2014, as compiled by McBride, Manley & Company P.C., and place them on file. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

## **Financial Business**

### ***Disbursements***

Motion by Commissioner Lovett, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve total disbursements, including payroll, in the amount of \$761,029.36, as presented. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### ***Preliminary Financial Statements***

Motion by Commissioner Lovett, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to accept the Preliminary Financial Statements for December, 2013, and place them on file. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

## **City Manager's Report**

City Manager Gabor provided updates on the following items:

- Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet ~ January 23, 2014 at 6:00 pm
- State Representative Dan Lauwers Open Office ~ January 27, 2014, 9-10 am, City Manager's office
- Comcast changeover 60% complete
- Termination letter to Teamsters Union 214
- Rehab grant opportunities for Riverbank Theatre
- Three major water leaks since the beginning of the year

## **Commissioner Privilege**

Commissioner Hendrick spoke of comments made in previous meetings regarding her position on the MCAFA Board. She said that she has nothing but the community in her thoughts at all times and represents the City properly. Mrs. Hendrick suggested the City create a Facebook page to inform residents of water main breaks and other emergencies. She asked for a better plan to plow snow from the Belle River/Broadway Bridge so it is safer for drivers and walkers alike.

Commissioner Lovett thanked Tom and Kathy Vertin for continuing to invest in the community with the new Riverbank Theatre. Commissioner Lovett also thanked the DPW

for their hard work removing snow and taking care of recent water main breaks. She urged residents and business owners to continue to keep their sidewalks clear; and, sent her sympathy to the family of Rick Ames in the death of his father-in-law.

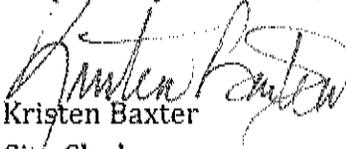
Commissioner Skotarczyk spoke of his responsibility to tax payers and said asking the MCAFA for a financial plan was not a personal attack; he was representing the commission's best interest. Commissioner Skotarczyk requested more information and detail in future DPW Activity Reports.

Mayor Browne made an announcement from Fire Chief Slankster that several coats have been left behind at the fire hall; and, reminded the board and residents that April is Autism Awareness Month. Mayor Browne thanked the DPW for their hard work in hunting down water leaks during the coldest days of the year and for spending long, late nights plowing snow.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Skotarczyk, to adjourn at 7:40 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Kristen Baxter  
City Clerk