

Meeting Notice & Agenda

MARION CITY COUNCIL

Monday, October 19, 2020 – 5 p.m.

Marion City Hall, 217 South Main Street, Marion, KY

Regular Meeting

Call to Order

Public Comments

Business Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of September 21, 2020 Council Meeting and September 29, October 1, 2020 Special Council Meetings.
2. Consideration of Appointing Kevin Maxfield to the Marion Recreation, Tourist and Convention Commission.
3. Project Updates
 - a. Leaf Collection Program
 - b. 911E
4. Mayor/Council/Staff Comments & Questions
5. Adjourn

Meeting of the Marion City Council
September 21, 2020-5p.m.

The Marion City Council met in Regular Session September 21, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. with Mayor Jared Byford presiding. Council members present: Phyllis Sykes, Donnie Arflack, Dwight Sherer, D'Anna Browning, and Mike Byford. Council member Darrin Tabor was absent. City employees were as follows: Adam Ledford, Layten Croft, Pam Enoch, Police Chief Ray O'Neal, and the city attorney Bart Frazer. A public sign-in sheet is attached and made part of these minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Zac Greenwell, along with other pilots and Airport Board Chairman Jim Johnson, were present at the council meeting. Attendees with the airport were concerned with the city annexing two properties; Marion Hardwoods and the Marion-Crittenden County Airport, into the corporate city limits. Mr. Greenwell advised he was present at the council meeting as a resident pilot owner and not an attorney. Mr. Greenwell along with other pilots advised that the airport was an economic development tool that shouldn't be targeted for annexation, which might lead to taxation of airplanes kept in hangars near the airstrip. Mr. Johnson advised his biggest concern would be losing the hangar revenue and fuel sales, then the airport would not create enough revenue to keep the airport self-sufficient. A couple of out of town pilots spoke, saying their harbor planes are here because airports elsewhere around the region are more expensive and planes are taxed. Most of were hobby pilots and advised the council an added tax would force them to look elsewhere to store their aircraft. Those representing the airport, advised the council about the way the proposed annexation plan developed was from lack of communication. Council members D'Anna Browning and Dwight Sherer were in favor of splitting the annexation proposal into two parts, one to annex Marion Hardwoods, and the other for the airport. Mayor Byford stated the airport is an asset for the City and he would like to see the airport annexed into the city limits. The Mayor stated there had been no mention about taxation.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Motion by Phyllis Sykes, second by D'Anna Browning to approve the minutes of August 17, 2020 council meeting and August 31, 2020, September 3, 2020 special council meetings same as submitted to the council. All voted yes.

Brad Guess, a representative from Allied Utility Solutions, addressed the council on purchasing new water meters for the City. He briefed the council on how the city could recover water revenue from the new water meters. The cost for 1500 meters and installing would be around \$380,500.00. Mr. Guess stated Allied Utility Solutions had been doing business for 28 years. He answered any questions and concerns from the council.

The City Attorney gave the second reading of Ordinance #20-15 entitled, Ordinance Declaring the City of Marion's Intent to Annex Territory known as Marion Hardwoods, Inc and Marion- Crittenden County Airport into the City". Motion by Donnie Arflack, motion died due to lack of second.

Administrator Ledford updated the council on the different projects going on in the city limits and answered any questions and concerns they had. Ledford advised the water debt increases each month due to the pandemic in March.

Administrator Ledford advised the council that leaf pick-up would be starting again this year. He stated there was some concern about where the leaves would be dumped once they were picked up. He advised it appears that they will be piled at the former county dump site.

Judge Executive Perry Newcom presented a letter of intent between the City and County to the council regarding the Ed Tech Center property. Motion by D'Anna Browning, second by Phyllis Sykes to approve letter of intent with the vote being as follows: Phyllis Sykes yes, Donnie Arflack no, Dwight Sherer yes, D'Anna Browning yes, and Mike Byford yes. A copy of said letter is attached and made part of these minutes.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council member Dwight Sherer asked about the city workers doing their semi -annual fire hydrant flushing.

Council member D'Anna Browning advised the pond located at East Gum Street was causing a mosquito issue. Administrator Ledford stated he would check into it.

Council member Mike Byford advised that the streetlight by H & R Block is out.

Council member Mike Byford advised the crosswalk is still not fixed.

Council member Mike Byford stated the lot across from Siemens needed to be mowed.

Council member Mike Byford stated the lot across from the Marion Feed Mill needed to be mowed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the council, meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

JARED BYFORD, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAM ENOCH, CITY CLERK

**Special Called Meeting of the Marion City Council
September 29, 2020 - 5:15p.m.**

The Marion City Council met in special session September 29th, 2020 at 5:15 p.m. with Mayor, Jared Byford presiding. Council members present were Donnie Arflack, Phyllis Sykes, Dwight Sherer, D’Anna Browning and Mike Byford. City employees in attendance were as follows: Adam Ledford, Layten Croft and the city attorney. A public sign-in sheet is attached and made part of these minutes.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Councilwoman Phyllis Sykes introduced Ordinance 20-17 titled, “AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY BY THE CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY, A CITY OF HOME CLASS RULE, OF 177 ACRES ALONG U.S. HWY 60 WEST”. The City Attorney gave the introduction. A copy of said ordinance was made available for everyone in attendance. City Administrator, Adam Ledford, explained that Marion Hardwood had signed consent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the council, meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

JARED BYFORD, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LAYTEN CROFT, ASST. CITY CLERK

**Special Called Meeting of the Marion City Council
October 1, 2020 – 5:15 p.m.**

The Marion City Council met in special session October 1, 2020 at 5:15 p.m. with Mayor, Jared Byford presiding. Council members present were Donnie Arflack, Phyllis Sykes, Dwight Sherer, D’Anna Browning, and Mike Byford. City employees in attendance were as follows: Adam Ledford, Pam Enoch, and the city attorney. A public sign-in sheet is attached and made part of these minutes.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

The City Attorney gave the second reading of Ordinance 20-17 titled, “AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY BY THE CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY, A CITY OF HOME CLASS RULE, And OF 177 ACRES ALONG U.S. HWY 60 WEST”. Motion by Donnie Arflack, second by Phyllis Sykes to adopt said ordinance with the vote being as follows: Phyllis Sykes yes, Donnie Arflack yes, Dwight Sherer yes, D’Anna Browning yes, and Mike Byford yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more items on the special agenda; meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

JARED BYFORD, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAM ENOCH, CITY CLERK