REGULAR MEETING - MARION COMMON COUNCIL - SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.- CITY HALL

Words from Council President, Deb Cain prior to the start of the meeting: "Thank you for coming, before we start tonight though I would like you to note that we have the gift from the City Council, is a blanket, that we are going to give the family once the democrat caucus is done and they have someone in that seat. We also wrote a proclamation that we'll present to Mrs. Carol Batchelor when she is able to attend some evening. Also, Mr. Batchelor was to me a man of character who had passion and showed his passion as a councilman and he earned my respect from the first day I served in 2015. If you voted differently than he voted, you walked out as friends. I just appreciated him a lot. The council was recognized by the family at his funeral where they gave us a seat right up front, reserved seating. Everyone was there with the exception of Mr. Henderson, and I'll talk about him later. So it was really a pleasure and an honor to be recognized by the family with the seating and also during the service and it was my delight to invite two former Mayors to come and sit with us when they came into the funeral to attend it, and it was a democrat and a republican. So, they're former Mayors so they came to honor Mr. Batchelor and that just showed again that he did not care about party lines, he cared about who he was voting for and that was the citizens in his district. Also, they had the funeral procession that started by a former church of Don's and they put flowers our and then we came to the corner where Marion School Corporation Transportation Department was and our first class fire department had the flag out there and saluted the hearse as it went by and stood there as the rest of the processional went by. As you can see (pictures on screen) there was a bus there also. I was just in awe by that show of honor to Don. The police and the sheriff were involved in the procession by leading us and also any intersections where we had to make a turn they had someone there to help make sure we didn't get interrupted by traffic . Then I thought it was really awesome, and I see Jess is here, that we came around to the City Hall and I saw two city buses sitting in the parking lot and there were employees and Jess Alumbaugh was standing out there in respect. I thought that was really awesome also. So I just wanted to bring that up before we got started." Cain called for a moment of silence for Don Batchelor before prayer.

The Common Council of the City of Marion, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday the 21st day of September, 2021 at the hour of 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall.

On call of the roll the members were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present: Luzadder, Cowgill, Fouce, Cain, Brunner and Cline.

Absent: Henderson and Fordyce.

Council President, Deb Cain said that tonight we are going to start with the public hearing for the ordinance that the County Council had put into place for redistribution of the LIT money and so this affects every single city in Grant County, so this is for all the taxing units in Grant County, and, so this is a public hearing but at first I'd like to make my statement and then I'll let council members make theirs. I spoke at the county council public hearing and I'll just highlight some statements I made. It was two years ago that Marion entered into the agreement with central dispatch. Chief Haley had asked for Marion's share of the E 911 dollars and also Mayor Alumbaugh tried and we were told by the county that they were not interested in bailing out Marion. So they said, you come into central dispatch with us



and that's how we'll get is started. So county chose the location, they chose the consultant, Marion was operating off of existing towers, county decided to erect three new towers. In good faith, we went into this agreement but remember, we already had our own dispatch. We were assured multiple times that the \$464,000.00, that we were going to give the county for ten years, the agreement that we entered into was all that was needed. So the only way the agreement can be modified is by our approval or their withdraw of the agreement. So my statement to the county council to use their phrase stated to us now applies, we're not interested in bailing out the county. So Sweetser loses an additional \$4,437.00, they voted no. Swayzee is going to lose \$5,595.00 additional dollars, their library will lose \$1,986.00, they voted no and Chief Haley and I were at that public hearing. Van Buren would lose \$9,251.00 and their library would lose \$3,306.00 additional dollars. They voted no. Fairmount, they're going to lose \$22,831.00, their library would lose \$2,253.00, and I just got their response today from Fairmount. They voted no. So the total (?) percentage is 8.58, so Converse voted no in a current council meeting they're going to hold a public hearing on the 27th, my letter of recommendation with a no was provided to their council. They will lose an additional \$1,829.00, their library \$129.00. Their percentage is .39 but it all adds up. So Upland has their vote tonight. Mr. Perez distributed my letter of recommendation to their council. They are going to lose an additional \$14,077.00 and their percentage is 4.20. I'm asking the council members to vote with me, no. So that our 42.62 percent, which will make it a total of no votes casted today of 51.20. We are over 51% if we vote no. It takes 51% of no to shut this down. It would be awesome if Converse and Upland still add with us and that would make it a total of 67.08. I've not heard from the attempted inquires to get in touch with Jonesboro, Matthews or Fowlerton and they, Jonesboro, has the possible \$10,642.00. At this time City Controller, Julie Flores replied to Mrs. Cain. Flores stated "they punted last week at their meeting." Deb Cain continued. Gas City is the only winner on this (inaudible). They're going to decrease their distribution by \$39,664.00 but their percentage is only 8.76. So that's still my statement if anyone else wants to join in. Council person, Robin Fouce asked President Cain if she said how much Marion stands to lose on that. You said 42.62% but you didn't give a dollar amount for Marion or our library. Councilman Mike Cline responded that the library loses about \$50,000.00. Cain replied the library is \$47,053.00. Controller Flores stated that we're already contributing \$464,000.00. They want \$546,000.00. So it's about \$82,000.00 or something like that. Councilman Mike Cline stated "this to me is a bailout for a boondoggle." The boondoggle is the county buying a building when it didn't need to buy a building, it didn't buy a healthy building, didn't buy a building in good shape when it could have had a building in great shape for free. They hired a consultant that did not need to be hired. And the towers, I don't want to take up a whole lot of time but now basically the county wants the rest of us to contribute to bail out their poor judgments and nonsense I say. Councilman Cowgill said he agreed with Councilman Cline 100%. Cowgill stated we offered buildings, no we want this building, they want to do it their way, everything was, it's ours to take care of. Then we signed a ten year contract just two years ago and then now they're going to come in and it's going to be the libraries all across Grant County can't handle this. I'm just so blown away that they just so nonchalantly should pony up for their poor decisions. I think it's ridiculous, I do. Council woman Robin Fouce said she agrees with her counterparts. Unfortunately, I believe it was mismanaged and they want municipalities, townships, cities to bear the blunt of that. We have a contract and certainly I want to keep the lines of communication, I think it would behoove the county to include us. If we were included we may be even on another level in further decision making and discussions and I



vote that we definitely uphold the contract that we currently have with them. Councilman Brad Luzadder told the council that once again Marion has been place in a position of being the leader of the County. Unfortunately this body has not been listened to in a number of years by the county, in fact they're passing the buck and playing a shell game. The legislative people in Indianapolis gave them the right in which to do a PSAP tax that they can take care of and do on their own without ever affecting anyone else in the county. Instead of stepping up to the plate and making the tough decisions, they decided not to and came with a shell moving game so that once again, Marion is going to make the tough decisions. When we were asked to tighten our belts, we did so. We didn't ask for money that was not there. Our Chief dedicated time and went and asked for help in order to take care of dispatch. We were doing what was right and she was told to go find a plan. Number one as I said before, I am Marion and Marion first. I was elected by the people of Marion and I will always defend the citizens of Marion. I want to applaud our Police Chief, our Fire Chief, our Mayor for going before the county and also asking nicely for the money, for the 911 funds. Once again we were turned away. Because of that, I have no choice than to make the difficult decision that we will not be raising or allowing money to be shifted around that is going to affect this city and our bottom line. So I am always going to be on the side of the City of Marion and it's citizens and have been since I began. Councilman Jim Brunner stated he would make it unanimous. Brunner told the council that if they hadn't had the chance to hear Mr. Ed Breen, probably as good of a journalist as there is in the State of Indiana. He wrote a very interesting editorial this weekend that talks about this entire situation. I know how he feels and may be feels he should be on the city council sometimes but I will make it unanimous I think we all agree on one of the few times, very strongly about what needs to be done, so that will be my vote. At this time Council President, Deb Cain called for the public hearing. Being none, President Cain called for a motion. Councilman Luzadder made a motion to turn down the request for the City of Marion to bail them out with this boondoggle. So I ask that we turn down Resolution No. 7-2021. President Cain said that the vote will be that we submit the resolution with a notation that we are voting against. City Clerk, Kathleen Kiley advised the council that there is a notation on the resolution that says "registers it's votes for, register's it's votes against." So if they just say for or against, that may be the way to go. Councilman Brunner seconded Councilman Luzadder's motion. Voting against the resolution: Luzadder, Cowgill, Fouce, Cain, Brunner and Cline. Voting for the resolution: None.

The minutes of the previous meeting of September 7, 2021 were presented. On a motion by Brunner, 2^{nd} by Fouce, the minutes were approved as presented by the following vote. Aye: Luzadder, Cowgill, Fouce, Cain, Brunner and Cline. Nay: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Cowgill stated that they had a traffic commission meeting and the big topic was, last Saturday over on Butler where the Black Dragons motorcycle club had an event. In the past the City has given them permission to have an event there. Originally like a block party. I guess they've been doing

this since like 2017. It's kind of grown a lot more than that. They had drag racing, we had a beautiful new road put in right there on Butler between Winona and the mall. If you go out there now and look at it, that road is terrible. There is tire rubber everywhere all over it, they had painted start and stop lines, they put up temporary fencing, they put up police tape and they didn't clean any of it up. They've had campers on private property so we at the traffic commission, with Judge Hunt, he was there as well, we're going to talk to them, they're probably going to have to find a new location. It was awful loud. I had calls on Saturday. You could hear it from blocks away. They give their money to charity, which is a great thing, I'm always for that but on the same token, we have to watch out for the citizens too, with the noise, with the trash left behind, damage done to the road. Council woman Fouce asked if anyone talked to the organizers of the Black Dragons about the complaints? Cowgill replied they are going to them now. Fouce said she thinks it's a good thing, it's an important fund raiser, it's for children. Fouce stated that she's not on either side of it but she thinks that it's been long standing and thinks we should give the organization an opportunity to address it before we tell them we don't want them to have it anymore. It would be a good thing to talk to them. That particular event brings in revenue for the City of Marion that we need, in addition to the fund raising dollars that are desperately needed for the program for the kids. Fouce said she would like for it to happen and that we approach the organizers and we talk about our complaints. I support my constituents and what their desires are but that's not the only place where certain drag races are allowed. I'm understand, I'm surprised we haven't had those complaints prior to now but in the future I would like us to give the organizers an opportunity because it's still our one community. I sit in my house and hear Indiana Wesleyan games. We're not talking about getting rid of those games, and I don't want to. Fouce then reported on the development committee. Council woman Fouce said that the committee that was schedule this Thursday at five has been cancelled. She said she would follow up with the council when she has scheduled another meeting.

FIRST RESPONDER SPOTLIGHT

Council President, Deb Cain told the council that she would like to clarify what actually transpired and what was written as a response in the news paper. On the 30th of August I sent an email to the Fire and Police Chiefs stating "this weekend I came up with an idea I would like to pursue with both of you. I would like to put on the agenda for each council meeting a first responder's focus item. The first week of the month would be the fire department, the third week of the month would be the police department. This focus would be for introducing any new items that came in between the scheduled meetings and then allow us to say good-bye or thank you to any retirees. Is this something that you feel would fit into your schedules and would like to participate in? I look forward to hearing from you. "Cain said she then received a response from the Mayor on the 1st. "President Cain I was recently informed of a request you made of the Police and Fire Chiefs regarding the attendance at routine council meetings. Your proposed first responder's focus where new hires and retirees would be brought before the council after hours has been denied. Any new hires of the police and fire departments are already brought before the Board of Works for introduction to the governing body which has direct oversight of public safety employees. The role of governing public safety lies within the executive



branch of the Board of Works which meets during normal business hours. To require employees to work overtime and come before the council on a routine meet and greet for new hires and retirees is an inconvenience to employees and their families and could result in additional overtime compensation. I will ensure that the council is made aware of any retiree celebrations that are scheduled so that any member of the council may attend and pay their respect. Council will also be notified of any new hires and departments to which they are assigned allowing council to meet employees during normal business hours and introduce them as they desire, and I would like to once again request that a member of the council wishes to correspond with a city employee that involves operation, request myself, Chief of Staff, Corporate Counsel Hunt to come." Cain said that in response to the Chronicle's inquires to the Mayor, he stated in the article that was printed later, that when there is a new hire or retiree and they have a reception, the council is always welcome to come and attend those. Alumbaugh said most of these people, police and fire families, this is just another evening they would have to come back in when the council could attend the Board of Works receptions we have and congratulate them in person. Alumbaugh said he would not prevent the Fire and Police Departments to participate in the first responder highlights if they wished to do so. He just doesn't want it to be an expectation that they have to come back in and take more time than necessary away from their families and loved ones. Cain said this was her clarifying statement that she had an email that specifically said he was denying the ability for them to attend; and the paper then to say he was not going to forbid them. Cain said in addition, the paper said that the council would be notified of hires introduced to the Board of Works for the option for council members to attend. There were seven sworn in on Monday, this week. However, the only ones that would have known about that are the council liaison and president who get emailed the agenda items. Cain stated that those of us that work during business hours would not be able to attend. That is why we hold our meetings after five o'clock, we do it at seven so that if we have committee meetings we can slip those in between. So, I received other correspondence from officers that they were excited about this because it would allow their families to come and be part of this event and be able to experience that. It's just one time when they hire and one time when they leave the department. Fifteen to thirty minutes max while they're in here and they can leave. Cain said they were not expecting compensation. Cain said she would still try and reach out .

NEIGHBORHOOD MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT

President Deb Cain informed the council that Mr. David Gault, President of Brinker Heights

Neighborhood Association was present to speak tonight. Mr. Gault told the council that the neighbors
would like to thank the council for allowing him to speak tonight. Gault said they have a few issues that
he would like to discuss. We've had an overwhelming response from all the neighbors he has spoken to
about their roads. They have been patched and re-patched and re-patched and they really would like to
see those roads get re-surfaced. We've had a few residents that have had flat tires hitting the pot holes.
Two residents specifically said they had to get realignments on their cars. We believe it's time to
completely re-surface those roads. Gault said they have some street signs that are missing or damaged
and need to be replaced. Gault said he has had a couple of incidents, especially back on



Vickery Lane. All the street signs are missing on Vickery Lane and we've had delivery people come back there and ask for directions. They also need speed limit signs. They have a lot of new families that have moved into Brinker Heights with young children the age of two all the way up to fifteen and sixteen and they're always outside playing. They dart across the street, they're playing hoops in the middle of the street and of course they get out of the way as cars come down but recently we've seen cars that speed through our neighborhood so we would like to see some new speed signs up, maybe some children present signs put up. The street lights aren't bright so he doesn't know if they need cleaned or replaced but he knows when it's dark, it invites a criminal element and they want to make sure that the new families and the kids that play in our neighborhood are safe. Gault said they have some empty homes where the grass has grown really high. They reported one and that house has been cleaned up. Gault told the council that squatters had moved in and it's been three weeks now and they're still pulling trash out of that house. Gault said there was another house that started to put siding on , they didn't finish and there's been Lowes paper on it for the last two years. They would like to see him complete that project. Gault said they have had renters move in, and there's nothing wrong with renters but he thinks there is something wrong with landlords who don't come and inspect their properties. Some renters that have a lot of trash, broken toys, broken bicycles on the sides of their houses rather than getting rid of that stuff. If you drive through our neighborhood you see there are certain houses with auto parts, tires, rims laying right in the front side of the house. Gault said the city water is really bad. It's yellow, it's got a bad odor to it. The water company did provide a filter system years ago and they used to give us filters that we would put in, they no longer provide those filters so we have to purchase them ourselves and they're hard to find. He doesn't know if it needs a new filtration system or upgrade or whatever it needs but it's really bad. The fence between the Bradford Apartments and Brinker Heights Neighborhood is broken down. It goes all the way from Vickery Lane to the other end down to Sherman(?), all the way down and the fence, it used to be wood six foot fence and most of it is broken down and there are weeds that have grown up down there and we would like to see that fence replaced. On the end of Sherman Street there's very high weeds and that's another place that fence used to be and now people cut through there, it's like a trail right through some six foot weeds. We would like to see that get cleaned up, cut down and again get that fence repaired. A lot of new people have moved into our neighborhood, new families have moved into our neighborhood and they have worked on their yards, we've had privacy fences go up, a lot of pools go in and people are wanting to take care of their neighborhoods and their yards but then you have these eyesores, you have things that could be taken care of like the street signs, the lights outside and stuff like that and we haven't had a meeting because of COVID we are about three years old now. We were going strong with about twenty people showing up on a regular basis. We plan on getting back to it once this calms down a little bit. Thank you for your time and I appreciate it.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2-2021 1ST READING

The City Clerk read Appropriation Ordinance No. 2-2021, Budget for the City of Marion, Indiana for the

year 2022. City Controller, Julie Flores said to give a brief overview for the budget for 2022, the State has permitted us to increase our levy by 4.3%, which was an additional \$863,885.00 in property tax levy. The circuit breaker for 2022 is 6.5 million which is an additional \$769,650.00. In 2021 the DLGF underestimated our circuit breaker by about \$300,000.00 so the circuit breaker this year, the DLGF estimate, which we always take, was six million five thousand. Since they underestimated we took that up to 6.5 million, we increased that by about \$500,000.00. The DLGF rep did tell her during their meeting that he felt like their six million five thousand was low so, I always like to error on the side of caution so we increased that and hopefully the circuit breakers will be closer to the DLGF estimate and not what we've put in but we did increase their estimate by \$500,000.00. The total budget increase was \$364, 121.00. Flores said that the department heads have already shared their budgets with you so she won't go into any details but would answer any questions they may have at this time. Council President, Deb Cain stated they did have their meetings with departments and had some good conversations on wish lists and wants and needs. Cain said one thing that comes to mind was Mr. Graft and Mr. Loftis planning a head. They each had visions for the future and what's ahead for their department. Rose, Mr. Loftis expressed how she had gone out and searched for grants to provide to the Park's Department to do something in every park that the city has, I was really impressed by that. Mr. Loftis has some goals and some things that he has on the plate along with also and as always, our Police and Fire had the same future plans to provide the best for their departments. Cain said she appreciated those conversations specifically. Cain said she knows there are probably more conversations to be had either now or in the future but wanted to thank the department heads for coming and speaking with us. To the Mayor and Mr. Flynn and Mrs. Flores when they were able to be here, I appreciate your time being here each night. Council woman Robin Fouce said he had a question. Page 54 of the proposed 2022 budget, budget estimate financial statement the proposed tax rate is the heading on that. Fouce said the other page, ties into page 62. So, under expenses on line 15, there is an amount of twenty one million, one hundred seventy six thousand, eight hundred and twenty eight dollars. Is that to line up with, where's the other page, could you help me with that? Mrs. Flores said line 15 is the budget estimate which is under budget form one, so there are several of those departments that line up for the general fund and it does not give a complete total so it ends with Transportation which is the last department which is on page 32. Flores said unfortunately it doesn't give a grand total but budget form three, I mean that's where we get the numbers, budget form three will have that number carried over. Flores said it's quite a big process if someone would like to sit in sometime to see how we calculate it. Fouce told Flores that she appreciates all her efforts. Fouce then said she wanted to talk about the exchange we had at the initial hearing we had here with Code Enforcement. She said we appreciate to hear the efforts of our Code Enforcement but the reality is we have improvements and work to do. That's not against an individual, it's against the system of enforcement. I said that many times, I contend that here today. Certainly I don't believe we're arguing, I believe we're having robust discussions about and our passion comes out, those issues come out, if you know me, I'm passionate about a lot of things, District four - certainly it close to the top of the list. We have a lot of good working to do there. Sometimes to be honest, I feel I haven't been taken seriously. I don't want to say the complaints haven't been heard, I don't think we have a system that supports processing those complaints appropriately. I continue to contend here today that we have a broken code enforcement system. We're restrained financially by the revenue that our tax rates generate for us. It is what it is, so



we have to find better and more concise ways to do our business here in our community. Fouce stated that she's not against Jerry Foustnight and she wants to give him all the support and love that can be. Fouce said she knows it may come across like that because you're working hard and here she is saying what she says. Fouce said she stands on what she says because we still have good work to do and she wants to say that here publically that it's not against him, he served the city long term and wants it to be a matter of public record. However, she has concerns. District four has needs, the City of Marion has needs, we have before us a great opportunity to do some outstanding things. We could look up and Marion could be the template, the leader of the benchmark on how to address these issues. We have great resources among just us in this room, we have to learn how to hear one another, we have to put aside our biases and stand for the people of Marion. Our ego has no place in what we do here in Marion. We were submitted the same budget and she doesn't agree with it, she understands some of it, she questions it because her district didn't get what they needed last year. We have to look for and find ways to supplement our waning income, our waning revenues, the way that we do that is we maximize our efforts, we utilize the resources, the people that are here to do that. We listen to one another and that's all I'm saying. Councilman Cowgill said that during the department head meetings it was really nice to talk to each department head and get their perspective on it, what they need. We were trying to come up with ideas because we don't have money. We met with the Mayor and he's been very receptive to us. Also we have a couple of things that could help take pressure off code enforcement and difference like that because we don't have the money to really do all the jobs, so we have to think outside the box. Cowgill said that there is a solution for every problem, you just have to be creative. Council President, Deb Cain said she appreciated Mrs. Flores having the utility coming to talk to the council the other night and give them a nice presentation, an idea on funding options to bring revenue in to the city and she reached out to our representative, Ann Vermilion and we are going to have continued conversations regarding the food and beverage act, she would have to sponsor, there's a couple of things going on where there are bills she's already working on so she has to (inaudible), she did ask what our other options and what (inaudible). Cain said before they go further on that we need to have a meeting to discuss what we want to do in response. Cain said she would be setting that up. Motion by Luzadder, 2nd by Cline to pass Appropriation Ordinance No. 2-2021 to 2nd reading and public hearing. Motion carried by the following vote. Aye: Luzadder, Cowgill, Fouce, Cain, Brunner and Cline. Nay: None. (NOTE: City Controller Julie Flores reminded the council she will not be in attendance for the public hearing on October 5th and asked them to please let her know in advance if they have any questions that they would like her to answer).

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 9-2021 1ST READING

The City Clerk read General Ordinance No. 9-2021. An Ordinance fixing the maximum salaries for police officers of the City of Marion, Indiana, for the year 2022. City Controller, Julie Flores said there were no increases in this, it only includes the raises that were given last year after the budget was passed. Motion by Fouce, 2nd by Cowgill to pass General Ordinance No. 9-2021 to 2nd reading and public hearing. Motion carried by the following vote. Aye: Luzadder, Cowgill, Fouce, Cain, Brunner and Cline. Nay: None.

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 10-2021 1ST READING

The City Clerk read General Ordinance No. 10-2021. An Ordinance fixing the maximum salaries for firefighters of the City of Marion, Indiana, for the year 2022. City Controller, Julie Flores said again, there were no changes to the ordinance we passed last year. Motion by Luzadder, 2nd by Cowgill to pass General Ordinance No. 10-2021 to 2nd reading and public hearing. Motion carried by the following vote. Aye: Luzadder, Cowgill, Fouce, Cain, Brunner and Cline. Nay: None.

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 11-2021 1ST READING

The City Clerk read General Ordinance No. 11-2021. An Ordinance fixing the maximum salaries of Appointed Officer and Employees;p and annual payment of flex dollars (\$250.00) to non-contractual full time employees of the City of Marion, Indiana, for the year 2022. City Controller, Julie Flores told the council that there were changes in this ordinance. Flores said in the Controller's Office, her accounts payable clerk, she took to part time for this coming year, for 2021 she didn't feel like she could decrease her salary, what she was currently making, so they left the part time accounts payable clerk at an hourly rate of \$18.42, we have decreased that, when we decided to get that job filled, we decreased that to \$15.00 an hour. The City Court, the probation officer, by statute, we have to pay the salary set by the State, so that has increased. The City Clerk has the need for a part time person. It's always been in her budget but never in the salary ordinance, we have added a part time secretary the ordinance with a range of \$12.00 to \$15.00 an hour. In the Engineering Department, the Right of Way Supervisor is retiring at the end of this year, so Michael Graft will be taking into that position, he will be a manager in that department as well as I believe, I understand he'll still be doing the Engineering things that he's doing now. We did add manager with a bi-weekly salary in there. In the Code Enforcement in the Building Department we were told that both code enforcement officer one and code enforcement officer two weren't making the same amount so we did change the code enforcement officer two to the wage that the code enforcement officer one was making. I believe those were all the changes to this salary ordinance. Motion by Cowgill, 2nd by Fouce to pass General Ordinance No. 11-2021 to 2nd reading and public hearing. Motion carried by the following vote. Aye: Luzadder, Cowgill, Fouce, Cain, Brunner and Cline. Nay: None.

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 12-202 1ST READING

The City Clerk read General Ordinance No. 12-2021. An Ordinance fixing maximum salaries of Elected Officials of the City of Marion, Indiana for the year 2022. City Controller, Julie Flores told the council that there were no changes to this salary ordinance. Motion by Cline, 2nd by Brunner to pass General Ordinance No. 12-2021 to 2nd reading and public hearing. Motion carried by the following vote. Aye: Luzadder, Cowgill, Fouce, Cain, Brunner and Cline. Nay: None.

Council President, Deb Cain informed the council that Mr. Perez just sent her a text the Upland voted no. Councilman Cline asked how neighborhood associations get on the agenda. President Cain said she was contacting them. Council woman Robin Fouce at this time thanked Police Chief, Angela Haley for her willingness to serve and her professionalism.

Being no further business to come before the council, on a Motion by Cline, 2^{nd} by Luzadder the meeting adjourned. Time being 8:03 p.m.

Deborah Cain - Council President