

August 10, 2026

City of Marion – Regular Meeting

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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Marion was held in the Council Chambers at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Absher called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The City Clerk called the roll, and the response was as follows:

PHYSICALLY PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS PATTON, WEBB, AND STOECKLIN, AND MAYOR ABSHER.

ABSENT: COMMISSIONER BARWICK

A quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Absher led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Absher opened the floor for public comment. No members of the public came forward to address the council.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda included approval of the following items:

Invoices from iWorq and Governmental Consulting Solutions, Inc.
The meeting minutes from the July 27, 2026 city council meeting.

There were no requests to remove any items for separate discussion or vote.

Commissioner Stoecklin made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, WEBB, AND STOECKLIN, AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA. COMMISSIONER BARWICK ABSENT.
MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND MUNICIPAL PLANNING

FY27 TIF Grant Applications Received through August 6, 2026

A list of fifteen grant applications was reviewed.

Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve FY27 TIF Grant Applications received through August 6, 2026. Commissioner Stoecklin seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, WEBB, AND STOECKLIN, AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA. COMMISSIONER BARWICK ABSENT.
MOTION CARRIED.

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Ordinance 4128 Authorizing a Loan Agreement with First Southern Bank for \$165,012

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Commissioner Stoecklin made a motion to approve Ordinance 4128 authorizing a loan agreement with First Southern Bank for \$165,012.00 for the approve purchase (from the February 9, 2026 Council Meeting) of a 2027 Mack from McBride Sales. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

Mayor Absher reported the loan is a 3.99 percent interest rate.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, WEBB, AND STOECKLIN, AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA. COMMISSIONER BARWICK ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Patton

Commissioner Patton had no report.

Mayor Absher

Mayor Absher shared a report from Club 60 Director Jill Graskewicz highlighting significant growth, the serving of 4,000 lunches per month and upcoming programs and classes.

Commissioner Stoecklin – Public Property

Commissioner Stoecklin read the Water Department report since the last council meeting. He reported five new service taps; five meter pits repaired; three water leaks repaired; two services updated; four new water taps; and four fire hydrants repaired. He congratulated the Pickle Fest for a having a good turnout.

Commissioner Webb – Streets & Public Improvements

Commissioner Webb reported that the Street Department has finished sidewalks and storm drainage work on Goodall Street. They have been picking up trash for the Building and Codes Department. They have been cutting weeds, mowing, and painting roads and crosswalks. They are preparing for the asphalt overlay which is expected to start in late August. He reported that the Cemetery Department had thirteen burials in July.

Commissioner Barwick – Public Health & Safety

Commissioner Barwick was absent.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Absher led the Council in wishing Carmen Allen Adeoye a happy birthday.

Commissioner Patton announced that the Marion team won the Colt League World Series, becoming national champions.

CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

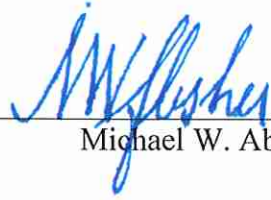
No Council members had a need for executive session.

Commissioner Webb made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, WEBB, AND STOECKLIN, AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA. COMMISSIONER BARWICK ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

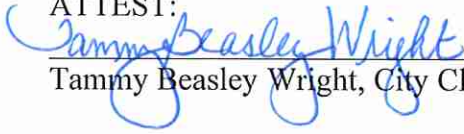
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Meeting Adjourned at 5:39 P.M.



Michael W. Absher, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tammy Beasley Wright, City Clerk