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MARENGO CITY COUNCIL
Executive Session Minutes
City Council Chambers
132 E. Prairie Street
Marengo, IL 60152
March 9, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael Proffitt called the Executive Session meeting to order at 9:11PM.

ROLL CALL

Present this evening are Mayor Proffitt; Aldermen, Hensel, DeSerto, Mortensen, Weiss, Damisch, Keenum, Mobley and Miller. Also present was City Attorney David McArdle and Director of HR/Finance Megan Lopez.

ITEMS UNDER DISCUSSION

Mayor Proffitt emphasized the importance of maintaining confidentiality regarding Executive Session discussions, noting that such matters are to remain private following the conclusion of the meeting. He expressed concern that there have been multiple instances in which information discussed in Executive Session has been disclosed publicly prior to any formal approval or action by the Council.

Mayor Proffitt reminded all members of their responsibility to uphold confidentiality requirements to ensure compliance with legal standards and to preserve the integrity of the City's decision-making processes.

Staff provided an update on the 84-acre property located along the Kishwaukee River, which was acquired in 2013 by the City for \$225,000. Staff is seeking direction from the City Council regarding how to proceed with a potential sale of the property.

The City Council discussed potential pricing strategies and reached a consensus that the minimum acceptable sale price should not fall below 80% of the appraised value. However, Council expressed a strong preference to recover at least the original purchase price of \$225,000 or more, if feasible, based on market conditions and interest.

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Alderman Deserto made a motion at 9:25PM, seconded by Alderman Mobley, to adjourn the Executive Session.

The aldermen voted as follows:

Aye: Miller, Damisch, Hensel, Mortensen, Weiss, Keenum, Mobley and DeSerto

Nay:0

Absent: 0

The motion passed.



Stephanie Matysiewski
City Clerk

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