City of Martensdale Regular Session Minutes June 4, 2012

The City Council met in regular session at the Martensdale City Hall, 380 Iowa Ave., Martensdale, IA at 7:00 p.m. on April 2, 2012. Mayor Morrow called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: Scott Henson, Danny Webster, Ryan Baker, and Nathan Wheeldon.

Members absent: Robert Seymour and Doug Reynolds.

The minutes of May 7, 2012 and the treasurer's report of claims were presented and approved on a motion by S. Henson and seconded R. Baker. Question was called for and on a voice vote Mayor Morrow declared the motion carried unanimously.

The city clerk presented DanLee Corporation, Martensdale, IA cigarette permit renewal. R. Baker made a motion to approve the permit, seconded by N. Wheeldon. Question was called for and on a voice vote Mayor Morrow declared the motion carried unanimously.

Marian Ostrander from Regions Bank was present to discuss the ACH payments for utility payments. She said the city clerk would need to go into the program and create files for each customer that would sign up, she would need to go into the program each month and put their total bill due into the system with a due date, since bills are delinquent after the 20th of each month, it was discussed that the 20th be the date for payment each month. The city clerk will send out a letter to each resident asking who would be interested in paying their bill through the ACH program before making a decision to go ahead with this system. Marian said it would only benefit the City if half of the customers signed up to have their payments deducted from their checking accounts.

There was discussion about Orfield's property at 415 Rock Island and that the bank has not had the yard mowed. The city clerk will contact Josh Butcher to mow the lawn and bill Bank of America.

Robert Seymour asked the city clerk to tell the council he needed to have the roof replaced by TipTop on the water collection building, he needs to rebuild a pump at the sewer lagoon and he needs to purchase pressure gauges for the water hydrants to test them for the DNR. Mayor Morrow asked if we needed more than one pressure gauge and Scott Henson thought Bob needed to purchase at least three. Mayor Morrow said that was fine as long as he needs them and will use them all. The city council said to go ahead and get what he needs completed.

The sewer project will need to be added to the budget since it is a State of Iowa loan. A meeting for June 26 at 6:00 was set up for the public hearing.

McClure Engineering will be at the July meeting with the rate study.

Dick Brown, Roadside Inn called City Hall asking that the pick up truck owned by Carrie Hughes be moved since it has been sitting there for months. It is on Hughes property so the council said to contact John Hoyman to see if the City needs to be involved. Dick Brown also asked for a light to be installed on the south side of his building for his customers. The city council will need to see exactly where Mr. Brown is talking about first before making a decision.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by S. Henson and seconded by R. Baker. Question was called for and on a voice vote Mayor Morrow declared the motion carried unanimously.

Scott Morrow Mayor

Donna Bahun, City Clerk