

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FALLS
CITY OF MARLIN

On this the 27th day of August 2024, the City Council of the City of Marlin, Texas convened in a SPECIAL CALLED MEETING at 6:30pm, the same being open to the public and having been posted as prescribed in Local Government Code, Section 551.041 with the following members present to wit:

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Susan Byrd
Michael Milnes
Morris Watson Jr. (absent)
Mayor Pro Tem Debra Levels-McDavid (@6:41 pm)
Scottie Henderson
Cecil Sparks(@6:50pm))
Joe Mark Taylor

STAFF

Elza Daviss, City Manager
Maryann Waddle, City Secretary
James Parker , City Attorney

1. Call to Order by Mayor Byrd at 6:30pm.
2. Roll Call by Maryann Waddle. Councilmember Watson notified he would not attend.
3. Certify Posting in accordance with State Law by Maryann Waddle.
4. Pledge by Mayor Byrd and Invocation by Pastor Johnson
5. Conduct a second reading of, and discuss, consider, and approve the adoption of , a proposed ordinance adopting an amendment to the Marlin Police Department Policy and Procedures Manual by the adoption of a Medical and Psychological Examination of a Licensee policy.
Dustin Ulmer spoke to the council on the item and expressed his input on the item.
Councilmember Henderson so moved.
Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion and the motion carried as follows:
Ayes: Councilmember Milnes, Mayor Byrd, Councilmember Henderson, Councilmember Taylor.
Nays:
None
Absent: Councilmember Watson, Mayor Pro-Tem Levels-McDavid, Councilmember Sparks.
6. Discussion of adopting a proposed tax abatement policy which will establish guidelines and criteria governing tax abatement agreements by the City of Marlin.
Item was a discussion, council will review county policy and come back with suggestions.
7. Discussion on information given on Emergency Notification System and how to get residents to signed up in mass.
Discussion was held on spreading the work for the notification system.
8. Consider and or approve appointing Jay Butler to serve on the City of Marlin Parks Board Commission.
Mayor Pro tem Levels McDavid in at 6:41 pm
Councilmember Henderson motioned to approve the appointment of Jay Butler to serve on the City of Marlin Parks Board Commission.
Councilmember Milnes seconded the motion and the motion carried as follows:
Ayes: Councilmember Milnes, Mayor Byrd, Councilmember Henderson, Councilmember Taylor.
Nays: None
Abstain: Mayor Pro-Tem Levels-McDavid,
Absent: Councilmember Watson, Councilmember Sparks.
9. Consider and approve the quote or estimate from Pump Solutions for repairs to the river pump.
Dustin Ulmer addressed the council on why things like this have to go before the council
Councilmember Taylor motioned to approve the quote or estimate from Pump Solutions for repairs to the river pump.
Councilmember Henderson seconded the motion and the motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Councilmember Milnes, Mayor Pro-Tem Levels-McDavid, Mayor Byrd, Councilmember Henderson, Councilmember Taylor.

Nays: None

Absent: Councilmember Watson, Councilmember Sparks.

10. Discuss City Charter requirements and limitations of City Council members managing or issuing direction to, or communicating directly with, City employees who do not report directly to City Council.

2.10 B of the Charter was read, item was discussed.

11. Discussion of City employees who are not employed with the City as a law enforcement officer carrying firearms while on duty and discuss and consider adopting or amending policies for City employees carrying of firearms and other weapons on duty.

Councilmember Sparks in at 6:50 pm

James Millen addresses the council on the subject.

Dustin Ulmer addressed the council on the subject.

Jessica Davis addressed the council on the item.

Discussion was held on the item.

No Action.

12. Discuss and consider authorizing the City Manager to telecommute or work remotely.

Discussion was held

No Action

13. Discuss and or take action on revisions to Proposed Municipal Budget-Budget Workshop for FY 2024-2025.

Budget Workshop was conducted

Council took a break at 8:16 pm

Council came back from break at 8:29 pm


Council resumed Workshop.

13. Adjourn.

Councilmember Sparks made motion to adjourn, Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion, all in favor said "Aye" meeting ended at 8:36pm

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 10TH OF September 2024.




Susan Byrd, Mayor


Maryann Waddle, City Secretary