

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FALLS
CITY OF MARLIN

On this the 16th day of August, 2021, the City Council of the City of Marlin, Texas convened in a Special Called MEETING at 6:00pm, 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 Carolyn Lofton
Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson
Neddie Moore
John Armstrong
Sonia Ponce
Monica Washington
Debra Levels-McDavid

STAFF

Cedric Davis, City Manager
Maryann Waddle, City Secretary
James Parker, City Attorney

1. Call to Order by Mayor Lofton @ 6:00pm.
2. Roll Call by Maryann Waddle.
3. Certify Posting in accordance with State Law by Maryann Waddle.
4. Pledge by Mayor Lofton and Invocation by Councilmember Moore.
5. Employee Recognition

The council recognized Nancy Dominguez for 22 years of service to the City of Marlin, She retired to peruse other ventures.

Minutes are adjusted to cover the order items were covered.

16. Discussion and or Take Action on audit FY 2019-2020.

Danny Strounce from YWRD said that they have made progress. The big hold up was the number adjustments done by the other audit were not entered, so they had to enter those to get started. A draft was provided and it should be complete by the end of the month. The city is in good standings as far as numbers.

No Action Item , ,

17. Consider and take action on a Resolution calling a bond election in the City on November 2, 2021.

James Gilly told the council that this was the last day to call for the election. The number would be about a \$78-\$79 increase for a property valued at \$100,000. The concern for a plan not yet decided on was discussed. James told the council that all they have to do is set the amount and once it passes then the plan can be put together. There is no commitment, the funding will be looked and next year is when the levy tax and budget will reflect the funding. The verbiage in the resolution is what will be used on the ballot.

Councilmember Moore motioned to approve a resolution calling a bond election in the city on November 2, 2021.

Councilmember Washington seconded the motion and the motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Moore, Councilmember Armstrong, Councilmember Ponce, Councilmember Washington, Councilmember Levels- McDavid, Mayor Lofton

Nays: None

6. Discuss and consider Resolution to approve amendment to the Grant Administration Services Contract with Grant Works for services related to the application submitted under the Fire , Ambulance , & Service Truck (FAST) Fund program.

Justin parker told the coucnil this was a cost change to the administrative cost.

Councilmember Ponce motioned approve an resolution amendment to the Grant Administration Services Contract with Grant Works for services related to the application submitted under the Fire, Ambulance , & Service Truck (FAST) Fund program.

Councilmember Washington seconded the motion and the motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Moore, Councilmember Armstrong, Councilmember Ponce, Councilmember Washington, Councilmember Levels- McDavid, Mayor Lofton

Nays: None

7. Discussion and or approve resolution approving the execution of contracts to procure equipment under TxCDBG Fire, Ambulance, & Service Truck (FAST Fund , TxCDBG Contract No. 7220026, with the following vendors:

- a. Fire Trucks of Texas – Tanker Pumper Truck
- b. Wildfire Truck & Equipment- Brush Truck
- c. Metro Fire Apparatus Specialist – Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus
- d. Municipal Emergency Services – Ram, Cutter, and Spreader

City Attorney James Parker told the council the contracts look good , he would just like to see a completion date added by the vendors. He recommended coucnil approve the resolution pending or subject to the vendor providing a delivery date to the Fire Department.

Councilmember Levels-McDavid motioned to approve the resolution executing contracts to procure equipment under TxCDBG Fire, Ambulance, & Service Truck (FAST Fund , TxCDBG Contract No. 7220026 pending delivery datesbing provided to the Fire Department.

Councilmember Armstrong seconded the motion and the motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Moore, Councilmember Armstrong, Councilmember Ponce, Councilmember Washington, Councilmember Levels- McDavid, Mayor Lofton

Nays: None

8. Discussion and or take action approval of Resolution awarding Grant Administration Services Contract to Grant Works for the Application of funds under the ARPA Program.

Maryann let the coucnil know that in the previous meeting Grant Works was selected by the amount of point they scored.

Councilmember Armstrong motioned to approval of Resolution awarding Grant Administration Services Contract to Grant Works for the Application of funds under the ARPA Program.

Councilmember Moore seconded the motion and the motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Moore, Councilmember Armstrong, Councilmember Ponce, Councilmember Washington, Councilmember Levels- McDavid, Mayor Lofton

Nays: None

9. Discussion and or take action on City Manager's (CM) salary.

Council was provided information n their packets. The question was posed how the City Manager's salary went for \$70,000 in the contract to \$98,000 .

It was explained that in the budget salaries are reviewed and when the budget is passed those salaries go into effect. EX-Councilmember Milton stated that during the budget process, lines in the budget are gone through one by one.

10. (a) Convene into executive session pursuant to Tex. Gov't. Code §551.074, (Personnel Matters) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Manager; and
Cedric requested that this item be in open session. City Manager's salary was discussed and videos of previous meetings were reviewed. Previous City Manager salaries were discussed. Contract negotiations from the CM's Contract was discussed.
- (b) Reconvene into public session and take action as appropriate in the Council's discretion with regard to the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Manager.

No action.

11. (a) Convene into executive session pursuant to Tex. Gov't. Code §551.074, (Personnel Matters) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Secretary; and
Maryann was asked if she wanted her item in executive session. Maryann stated she did not know why she was on the agenda. Mayor Pro- Tem Henderson said that 11 and 13 were on the agenda to obtain the information on # 9. There was no need for 11 & 13 now.
- (b) Reconvene into public session and take action as appropriate in the Council's discretion with regard to the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Secretary.

12. (a) Convene into executive session pursuant to Tex. Gov't. Code §551.074, (Personnel Matters) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Chief of Police; and
Council entered executive session at 7:23pm
Council returned to open session at 7:55pm
- (b) Reconvene into public session and take action as appropriate in the Council's discretion with regard to the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Chief of Police.
No action

13. (a) Convene into executive session pursuant to Tex. Gov't. Code §551.074, (Personnel Matters) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Finance Director; and
- (b) Reconvene into public session and take action as appropriate in the Council's discretion with regard to the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Finance Director.

Nays: None

14. Discussion on repeated request from Council members regarding City employees. Mayor Lofton stated that the requested materials are online. Discussion was had on what can and is not suggested to do when council wants items. Attorney Parker stated that there are ways council can get items on the agenda (Future Agenda Items). He also cautioned the council on putting documents together, they are subject to PIA.

The question was asked about water plant employees. It was expressed that the reason for the way things are requested, is that they had not been received otherwise. Attorney Parker stated that the agenda has to be reviewed and documents gathered, there needs to be a deadline for calling for meetings and agenda items, Wednesday is the preferred receipt date to insure no mistakes are made. If you want an item on the agenda you can send the item to the City Secretary or state it under future agenda items.

15. Consider and take action on budget (Budget Workshop for FY 2021-2022)

City Manager

Salaries (5%), training, and other line items were gone through. Questions about being over budget were asked.

Public Works

Streets

Street sign replacement, equipment, salaries (supervisors are split between 16 and 33), oil, and utilities are reviewed.

Garbage

Garbage rates will increase due to a rise in gas, it is stated in the current contract.

Airport

Airshow is going to be held again it is being budgeted for, grant for the park at the lake match is included in the budget.

18. Discussion and action to approve the Council Minutes from July 13, 2021 6pm meeting.

Councilmember Armstrong motioned to approve the Council Minutes from July 13, 2021 6pm meeting.

Councilmember Washington seconded the motion and the motion carried as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Moore, Councilmember Armstrong, Councilmember Ponce, Councilmember Washington, Councilmember Levels- McDavid, Mayor Lofton

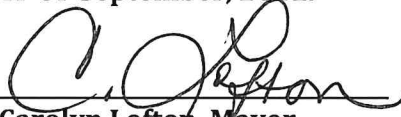
Nays: None

19. Adjourn.

Councilmember Moore made motion to adjourn, all in favor said "Aye" meeting ended at 10:18pm

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 14TH DAY OF September, 2021.




Carolyn Lofton, Mayor


Maryann Waddle, City Secretary