

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FALLS
CITY OF MARLIN

On this the 6th day of September, 2022, the City Council of the City of Marlin, Texas convened in a SPECIAL CALLED MEETING at 5:30pm, 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 Carolyn Lofton
Mayor Pro-Tem Moore
Timothy Lopez (absent)
John Armstrong
Sonia Ponce
Monica Washington
Debra Levels-McDavid

STAFF

Cedric Davis, City Manager
Maryann Waddle, City Secretary

1. Call to Order by Mayor Lofton at 5:30pm.
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 Mayor Pro-Tem Moore.
5. Citizens Input.
none

6. Consider and or take action to adopt a resolution to approve a proposed tax rate for 2022-2023 tax year.

Maryann gave the council the proposed rates as presented by Kaci Nehring:

No New revenue: 0.80988

Voter Approval 0.81846

Dimuons Rate: 1.5660

Last years No New Revenue was 0.92, which with current appraisals the NNR has lowered this year.

Councilmember Levels-McDavid motioned recommend the approval the voter approval tax rate of 0.81846 in a resolution.

Cedric Davis told the council was brought to the council in city manage updates about two months ago. He just needs the council approval to purchase.

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Councilmember Lopez

7. Consider and or take action on ARPA project for the purchase of street repair equipment (Asphalt Zipper).

Councilmember Ponce motioned to approve ARPA project for the purchase of street repair equipment (Asphalt Zipper).

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Councilmember Lopez

8. Consider and take action to adopt a resolution to approve professional services agreement with Bureau Veritas North America, Inc. to provide for the inspection and permitting services for the City.

Chief Hommel told the council that he had met with the company for inspections services. The city has been without an inspector. This company only charges for services rendered. The city will need to adjust inspection and permit fees. This company can preform their services with in 24 hours of submitting the request. The resolution is to approve the contract. The city will have to adjust so that the city is not at a loss. They can also update the code or ordinances for the city. The City Attorney has looked and highlighted in blue the changes that need to be done to the contract.

Councilmember Levels-McDavid motioned to adopt a resolution to approve professional services agreement with Bureau Veritas North America, Inc. to provide for the inspection and permitting services for the City pending city attorney approval.

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Councilmember Lopez

9. Budget Workshop for FY 2022-2023 (updated per requested changes)

Changes that the council had requested and a few changes to reflect the rise in insurance. Under the city manager line, money was added to facilitate engineering studies. In court group insurance went up. the city secretary line went up insurance line went up. Finance went up in insurance, and FICA. Under Police, prisoner health care was added, and AXON was given its own line. Fire only had a change in insurance. Code enforcement insurance was adjusted and building repairs was reduced. Streets retirement was increased. Parks, council had requested that city parks be added and that a name change be done to clarify, the change was made. Next year surveying for the cemetery and the tennis park will be added to the budget. Water billing insurance went up. Public works had changes in overtime and insurance. Tourism had changes (Brian has left employment with the city) to make sur the bottom lines in revenues and expenses matched. 847 and 866, were removed on expenses. Events sponsorship had money added, sponsors will be sought outside of the area. T shirt sales had money added, there will be more verity provided for sale. Farmers Market has raised. A Christmas Gala and a Fall Fest was added. The sale of alcohol was discussed. Christmas events were added 8in the expense line. Blues Fest will be marketed more. Airshow has stayed the same. Fishing tournament is a new event. Questions about the Fall Festival we addressed and relabeled as Film Festival. The position will be posted for tourism after the new budget. Salaries were reduced, printing was reduced, marketing repairs was removed, Economic Development was removed, Marlin Fest was reduced, the airshow was reduced, murals were removed, and Blues Fest was reduced. October Fest will be changed to Film Fest. The next steps will be to do the hearings and first readings, then the second reading to finalize the budget and tax rate. The city must follow the guidelines set by the state, dates were discussed, and council will be given a schedule.

10. Adjourn.

Councilmember Levels-McDavid made motion to adjourn, all in favor said "Aye" meeting ended at 6:28pm

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 8TH OF NOVEMBER 2022.




Carolyn Lofton, Mayor


Maryann Waddle, City Secretary