

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FALLS
CITY OF MARLIN

On this the 23rd day of September 2014, 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 Elizabeth Nelson
Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson
Rose Morin
Cecil Sparks
Billie Jean Scaggs
Tommy Tate @ 5:34pm
Douglas Porter

STAFF

Richard Fletcher, Interim City Manager
Sandra Herring, City Secretary

1. Call to Order by Mayor Nelson @ 5:32pm.
2. Roll Call by Sandra Herring.
3. Certify Posting in accordance with State Law by Sandra Herring.
4. Invocation & Pledge by Waylon Sias and Greg Barton.

Tate entered meeting.

5. Discussion and action on award for Automatic Meter Reading Project funded from Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan and grant money. After much discussion between Council and KSA, it was determined that the drive by AMR system would be a better fit for the city. The drive by system as a whole cost less than the fixed based system and also required less maintenance cost.

Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson made motion to approve the drive-by system.

Councilmember Sparks seconded this motion and the motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Morin, Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Scaggs,
Councilmember Tate, Councilmember Porter, Mayor Nelson

NAYS: Councilmember Sparks

ABSENT: None.

6. Public Hearing on 2014 Tax Rate.

@6:05pm

Rev. Waylon Sias-Spoke on no taxes.

Maggie Majors-Spoke on intervention, budget over site committee, business ventures, local talent, need of industry, not closing library. Ok with 10-12% increase on tax.

7. Discussion on 2014-2015 City of Marlin Budget.

Mr. Fletcher explained to the public the reasoning for the tax increase. In addition he indicated to Council that the new budget also included an increase to the debt service fee in order to comply with the requirement with the Texas Water Development Board contracts. It also includes a decrease in the amount transferred from the Water Fund to the General Fund for administrative charges as well as a decrease to the funding for the library. There is also a decrease in Fire personnel.

8. Second Reading: Discussion and action on Ordinance No. 14-021 Marlin Community Initiative. Councilmember Morin made motion to approve Ordinance No. 14-021.

Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson seconded this motion and the motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Morin, Councilmember Sparks, Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Scaggs, Councilmember Porter, Mayor Nelson

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Tate

9. Discussion and action on purchase of used animal control truck.

Mr. Fletcher explained to Council that he found an animal control truck, put in a bid for the truck and was awarded the truck for \$1,000. After realizing that the City of Marlin Animal Control was traveling to Waco in a purple truck with a cage covered with plywood and strapped down by a ratchet strap, he felt it most beneficial to make the purchase on Marlin behalf and is requesting reimbursement for the truck.

Councilmember Sparks made motion to approve the reimbursement of \$1,000 for the ACO Truck.

Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson seconded this motion and the motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Morin, Councilmember Sparks, Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Scaggs, Councilmember Porter, Mayor Nelson

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Tate

10. Discussion and action on contract with Marlin Chamber of Commerce for Hotel Motel Tax Funds.

A revised contract has not been prepared for this meeting. Greg Barton from the Chamber of Commerce was present and asked to speak on behalf of the Chamber. Mr. Barton briefed the Council on some of the recent activities involving the hotel motel funds. A handicap ramp was installed at the Allen House, a visitor sign was constructed on the north side of town in the south bound lane of Hwy 6. He is working with Best Western on advertising and hopes to visit with Baylor Events Director for additional housing recommendations.

No action taken on this item.

11. Future Agenda Items.

Trash cans being left in street and closing lids

12. Adjourn.

Councilmember Sparks made motion to adjourn.

Councilmember Morin seconded this motion and the motion carried as follows:

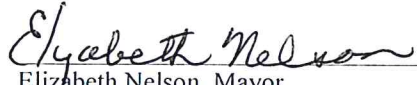
AYES: Councilmember Morin, Councilmember Sparks, Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson,
Councilmember Scaggs, Councilmember Porter, Mayor Nelson

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Tate

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2014.




Elizabeth Nelson, Mayor


Sandra Herring, City Secretary