

On this the 16th day of June, 2015, 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 @ 6:31pm
Neddie Moore
Billie Jean Scaggs
Norman Erskine - Absent
Douglas Porter

STAFF

Deck Shaver, Interim City Manager
Sandra Herring, City Secretary

1. Call to Order by Mayor Nelson @ 5:33pm.
2. Roll Call by Sandra Herring.
3. Certify Posting in accordance with State Law by Sandra Herring.
4. Invocation by Douglas Porter & Pledge by Billie Jean Scaggs.

Council discussed Items 5 and 6 together.

5. Discussion and action on Resolution No. 15-017, engaging the firm of Gary R. Traylor & Associates Inc. to perform various professional services in connection with the preparation of its 2015 Community Enhancement Fund (CFE) Application for grant funds through the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA).
Shawna McElfish of Traylor & Assoc. was present to speak with Council. She indicated this grant could be used to enhance an existing service or develop a service that is currently not available, for instance a community center or health activity center. This is a \$350,000 grant with a required city match of \$35,000. Due date for this application is August 1st, 2015.
6. Discussion and action on Resolution No. 15-018, engaging the firm of Gary R. Traylor & Associates Inc. to perform various professional services in

connection with the preparation of its 2015 Texas Capital Fund Downtown Revitalization Program Grant (TCF-DRP) Application for grant funds through the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA).

The Council & Ms McElfish discussed various projects that would be eligible for these funds such as lighting and sidewalks. These funds are to improve the downtown area. This is a \$750,000 grant with a required city match of \$45,000. Due date for this application is October 1st, 2015.

Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson made motion to approve Traylor and Assoc. to prepare the grant applications and bring back to Council for approval. Councilmember Porter seconded this motion and the motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Scaggs, Councilmember Erskine, Councilmember Porter, Mayor Nelson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Morin and Councilmember Erskine.

Councilmember Morin entered the meeting.

7. Discussion and possible action of Texas First Group agreement for Interim Public Works Director services and interview candidate.

City Manager Deck Shaver discussed with Council the need for this position. He then introduced Mr. Mark Donley for interview. Council proceeded with question for Mr. Donley on his experience and plans he has for enhancing the city operations. Mr. Donley answered accordingly. After the interview, Council spoke with Mr. Shaver about the budget and indicated that they were not in any hurry to fill that position. Mr. Shaver replied with numbers that were in the budget already but were listed under salaries instead of contractual services.

Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson made motion to table this item.

Mr. Shaver then indicated to Council that there was a very serious need for this position, we have several violations from TCEQ that have deadlines

approaching quickly. There needs to be someone in the field with know and experience in those fields to oversee operations even if it is only on a temporary basis.

Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson withdrew his motion to table.

Councilmember Morin made motion to approve the contract for the Interim Public Works Director position for 3 months.

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

AYES: Councilmember Morin , Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Scaggs, Councilmember Erskine, Councilmember Porter, Mayor Nelson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Erskine.

8. Future agenda items.

9. Adjourn.

Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson made motion to adjourn, all in favor said I:

AYES: Councilmember Morin , Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro-Tem Henderson, Councilmember Scaggs, Councilmember Erskine, Councilmember Porter, Mayor Nelson.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Erskine.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 14TH DAY OF JULY, 2015.




Elizabeth Nelson, Mayor


Sandra Herring, City Secretary