

**NOTICE AND MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARIETTA CITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 6:00 PM**

**Marietta Municipal Building, 700 S. Highway 77, Marietta, Oklahoma 73448**

BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED (which may include discussion, consideration, action for approval or disapproval, voting to take any appropriate action, and the revision, amendment and passage of resolutions on the following agenda items):

**CALL TO ORDER.**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM.**

**PRESENT**

Mayor David Spradling  
Council Member Matt Barber  
Council Member Tommy Kiser  
Council Member Kermit McKinney  
Council Member Destry Rushing  
Council Member Angela Vega  
Council Member Candice Dixon

**ABSENT**

Council Member Crystal Cohee  
Council Member Tambre Sanders

**INVOCATION.**

Invocation given by Kermit McKinney.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Pledge of Allegiance led by Brett Harris.

**CONSENT AGENDA.**

All matters listed under this sections are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote. Any council member may, however, remove any item from the consent agenda by request.

Motion made by Council Member McKinney, Seconded by Council Member Kiser to approve the Consent Agenda.

Voting Yea: Council Member Barber, Council Member Kiser, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Rushing, Council Member Vega, Council Member Dixon

1. Approval of the agenda as part of the minutes.

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2. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on August 8, 2023.
3. Approval of financial reports.
4. Approval of purchase orders and expenditures from the following accounts/funds, if any: general fund; sanitation fund; cemetery care fund; expense account; grant fund; police asset forfeiture account; payroll account.

#### **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA.**

Any matter removed from the consent agenda at the request of a council member will be considered separately.

None.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE.**

None.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.**

This is an opportunity for citizens to address the city council. Remarks will be addressed to the governing body as a whole. Any issues presented will not be further discussed by the city council or the mayor at this meeting. Comments must be limited to three minutes or less.

Sheri Hutchins thanked the Council for their help and listening regarding bicycle safety. There will be a meeting at Rose State College on October 13 & 14 for education and there is a website online for same.

Denise Halstied and other will be attending a conference for the Main Street Committee and working on grants and fundraisers and they are still interested in the old police station.

#### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT.**

The City Administrator will provide updates regarding recent and upcoming events and projects, and general operations of the City. No action will be taken.

City Administrator Scott discussed working with the Chamber on getting a grant for a pocket park; Elvis Reed and the drain ditch; asking for assistance from the Chickasaw Nation on mowing the cemeteries and the overlay of the streets is finished.

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS.**

1. Ordinance amending Section 94-254 (A) of the Marietta City Code, To provide That riding Bicycles on a sidewalk in a Business District Is Prohibited; Amending Section 94-260 by the Adoption of State Statutes pertaining to bicycles.

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Motion made by Council Member Barber, Seconded by Dixon to adopt Ordinance 2023-1 as presented.

Voting Yea: Council Member Barber, Council Member Kiser, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Rushing, Council Member Vega, Council Member Dixon

2. Consideration and possible action relating to the display of overhead signs and/or banners on streets and highways.

Discussion was had among Council and attorney.

No action.

3. Purchase of Tasers for the Police Department

Chief Harris stated their tasers have reached their end life and officer need new tasers. This was not in the budget, but Attorney Cochran has prepared a lease purchase for new equipment for 5 years. The yearly payment was not in the budget but there are funds this year to cover it. He is also applying for a grant for \$10,000 to help with this.

Motion made by Council Member McKinney, Seconded by Council Member Rushing to adopt Resolution 2023-36 as presented.

Voting Yea: Council Member Barber, Council Member Kiser, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Rushing, Council Member Vega, Council Member Dixon

4. Consideration and possible action relating to the authorization of an application for funds under the Justice Assistance Grant - Local Law Enforcement program and approval of expenditures for approved equipment.

Chief Harris stated he has applied for this grant and it needs to be approved by Council and it has to be submitted by September 24.

Motion made by Council Member Rushing, Seconded by Council Member Barber to adopt Resolution 2023-37 as presented.

Voting Yea: Council Member Barber, Council Member Kiser, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Rushing, Council Member Vega, Council Member Dixon

5. Executive session to discuss the hiring of Jose Dominguez as a Police Officer, and the hours, duties, compensation, and benefits for said position, pursuant to Title 25 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 307 B (1).

Motion made by Council Member Barber, Seconded by Council Member Rushing to go into Executive Session at 6:25 p.m.

Voting Yea: Council Member Barber, Council Member Kiser, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Rushing, Council Member Vega, Council Member Dixon

Return to Open Session at 6:37 p.m.

6. Consideration and possible action relating to the appointment of Jose Dominguez as a police officer, as well as the hours, duties, and pay for said position.

Motion made by Council Member Rushing, Seconded by Council Member Kiser to adopt Resolution 2023-38 as presented.

Voting Yea: Council Member Barber, Council Member Kiser, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Rushing, Council Member Vega, Council Member Dixon

**NEW/UNFORESEEN BUSINESS.**

Discussion and possible action with respect to any matter not known, or which could not have been reasonably foreseen, prior to the time of posting this notice and agenda.

None.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS.**

The Mayor will provide updates regarding recent and upcoming events and projects, and general operations of the City. No action will be taken.

Mayor Spradling is meeting with Connie Saturday for work at the cemeteries.

**ADJOURN.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

**NOTICE OF POSTING:**

I, the undersigned Clerk of the City of Marietta, certify that the foregoing Notice and Agenda of the Regular Meeting of the Marietta City Council was posted in prominent public view at the Marietta City Hall, located at 101 W. Main Street, and online at [www.mariettaok.city](http://www.mariettaok.city), at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Friday, September 8, 2023.

Scott Chaney, Deputy City Clerk  
Dottie Gwin, City Clerk

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