

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

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 6:00 PM

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

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 by Vice Mayor McKinney at 6:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM.

PRESENT

Council Member Crystal Cohee
Council Member Kermit McKinney
Council Member Lawrence Anderson
Council Member Richard Barker
Council Member Tambre Sanders
Council Member Destry Rushing

ABSENT

Mayor Kimberly Fraire
Council Member Angela Vega
Council Member Brandy Valenzuela

INVOCATION.

Invocation given by Lawrence Anderson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Kermit McKinney.

CONSENT AGENDA.

All matters listed under this section 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 Sanders to approve the Consent Agenda, Seconded by Council Member Barker.

Voting Yea: Council Member Cohee, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Barker, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

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

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2. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on March 14, 2023, and the special meeting on March 30, 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.

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.

Sherry Hutchins stated she is with the Garden Club and they are putting flowers out in self-watering tubs. The tubs are \$50.00. She addressed the parking lines on Main Street and she would like it to be done prior to Frontier Days.

Amie Orr from the Oklahoma Blood Institute addressed the Council regarding a decline in donors since 2018. She would like the leaders in the Community to help with blood drives and increasing donors. She would like to ask for the use of the City meeting every 56 days for a blood drive.

Kendra Tucker handed out a flyer for the Great American Clean Up & Picnic Lunch.

CORRESPONDENCE.

This is an opportunity for the city council to review any received correspondence. No action will be taken.

None.

PRESENTATIONS.

This is an opportunity for community organizations and city staff to present updates and proposals to the city council, and for the council to recognize the accomplishments of community members and city officials and staff. No action will be taken.

1. Presentation honoring outgoing elected officials and staff.

Awards were presented to Richard Barker and Lawrence Anderson for their service on the City Council. Kim Fraire, Kordale Lornes and Brandy Valenzula were not present to accept their awards.

2. Presentation by Marietta Main Street Committee providing an update on committee activity.

Georgeanne Westfall stated the committee is in full force and have incorporated others to help. The Boy Scouts have painted the hydrants on Main Street. Thanked the City for the employees cleaning the streets, weedeating, etc. She also stated she would like the parking lines on Main Street done prior to Frontier Days. They are filing for a 501C3 so they can accept donations and thanked the City for the grant they put together. If no one participates in the grant she has ideas where the money can be spent.

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 stated the auditors completed the field work for the audit and should be issuing their final report for the May meeting; we worked money into the upcoming budget for the City Improvement Grant and have had two business owners ask for applications; we worked with a nearby business to share costs for the rework of a section of sidewalk at Shellenberger Park to comply with State regulations; we have completed the Arpa reporting for the year and spent all the funds that were provided in the first tranch of the waterline replacement project. We don't have the equipment to mark spaces on Main Street and we have a City that will lend equipment and maybe even their operator. Nic McMillin declined the position that was offered at the last Special Meeting.

REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. Consideration and possible action relating to the designation of a special event sponsored by the Love County Chamber of Commerce in connection with the Great American Cleanup.

Kendra Tucker stated this is part of the keep Oklahoma Beautiful Plan. She is trying to get as many people involved as possible.

Motion made by Council Member Barker to adopt Resolution 2023-8 as presented; Seconded by Council Member Rushing.

Voting Yea: Council Member Cohee, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Barker, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

2. Consideration and possible action relating to the election of trustees of the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group.

Motion made by Council Member Barker to elect Pam Polk, Russ Meacham and Elizabeth Sloate as trustees of the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group, Seconded by Council Member Sanders.

Voting Yea: Council Member Cohee, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Barker, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

3. Consideration and possible action relating to the engagement of True North Mapping and Solutions for geographic information system mapping of Lakeview Cemetery and Prairieview Cemetery.

City Administrator Scott stated they have been working on mapping Lakeview and Prairieview Cemeteries. The pricing is based per space. The upfront price would be \$25,000 and a monthly fee of \$1,000. There is money in the Cemetery fund to cover this.

Motion made by Council Member Sanders to approve Contract with True North Mapping & Solutions as presented, Seconded by Council Member Cohee.

Voting Yea: Council Member Cohee, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Barker, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

4. Consideration and possible action relating to amendments to the budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

Motion made by Council Member Sanders to adopt Resolution 2023-09 as presented changing date in paragraph 3 to 2023, Seconded by Council Member Barker.

Voting Yea: Council Member Cohee, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Barker, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

5. Executive session(s) to discuss the following: The hiring of a city administrator, the employment of Brett Harris, the employment of Richard ("Mike") Buxton; and the hours, duties, compensation, and benefits for the city administrator, and of said Brett Harris, and of said Richard ("Mike") Buxton, all pursuant to Title 25 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 307 B (1).

Motion made by Council Member Sanders to go into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m., Seconded by Council Member Anderson.

Voting Yea: Council Member Cohee, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Barker, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

Returned to Open Session at 7:37

6. Consideration and possible action relating to the employment of Brett Harris, and the hours, duties, compensation, and benefits of said employee.

Motion made by Council Member Cohee to adopt Employment Agreement of Brett Harris as presented, Seconded by Council Member McKinney.

Voting Yea: Council Member Cohee, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Barker, Council Member Rushing

7. Consideration and possible action relating to the employment of Richard ("Mike") Buxton, and the hours, duties, compensation, and benefits of said employee.

No action.

8. Consideration and possible action relating to the hiring of a city administrator for the City of Marietta, and the hours, duties, and compensation and benefits of said city administrator.

Motion made by Council Member Rushing to accept the Employment Agreement of Scott Chaney, Resolution 2023-10, as presented, Seconded by Council Member Anderson.
Voting Yea: Council Member Cohee, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Barker, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

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.

None.

ADJOURN.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 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 Municipal Building, located at 700 S. Highway 77, and online at www.mariettaok.city, at 8:00 o'clock a.m. on Saturday, April 8 2023.

Scott Chaney, Deputy City Clerk
Dottie Gwin, City Clerk

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