

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARIETTA CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 08, 2022 at 6:00 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Fraire.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM.

A quorum was declared.

PRESENT

Mayor Kimberly Fraire
Council Member KorDale Lornes
Council Member Kermit McKinney
Council Member Lawrence Anderson
Council Member Angela Vega
Council Member Richard Barker
Council Member Brandy Valenzuela
Council Member Tambre Sanders
Council Member Destry Rushing

INVOCATION.

Invocation given by Lawrence Anderson.

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, however, may remove any item from the consent agenda by request.

Motion made by Council Member Valenzuela to approve the Consent Agenda, Seconded by Council Member Sanders.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

1. Consideration and possible action relating to the approval of the agenda as part of the minutes.
2. Consideration and possible action relating to the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on October 11, 2022.
3. Consideration and possible action relating to the approval of financial reports.
4. Consideration and possible action relating to the 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.

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5. Consideration and possible action relating to notice of regular meetings of the City Council for the calendar year 2023.
6. Consideration and possible action relating to the establishment of City holidays for the calendar year 2023.
7. Consideration and possible action relating to the designation of a Christmas tree lighting organized by the Love County Chamber of Commerce as a special event, and necessary street closures.
8. Consideration and possible action relating to the designation of a Christmas parade organized by the Love County Frontier Days Committee as a special event, and necessary street closures.
9. Consideration and possible action relating to the appointment of Scott Chaney to the Southern Oklahoma Development Authority Board of Directors.

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 shall be addressed to the governing body as a whole. Any issues presented will not be further discussed by the City Council or Mayor at this meeting. Comments must be limited to three minutes or less.

None.

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 updated on grant for body cameras. The concrete box has been ordered for the drainage improvement project.

REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. Public Hearing regarding the Petition and Application of BancFirst to Vacate and Foreclose the reopening of the Alleyway located east of Lots 14 and 15, Block 25, in the Original Townsite of Marietta, Love County, Oklahoma with the legal description of the Alleyway described as follows:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

All that part of the alley running North and South in Block 25 (Twenty-Five) in the Original Townsite of Marietta, Love County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said North and South alley, said point being the Southeast corner of Lot 14, Block 25; Thence Northerly, along the West line of said North and South alley to the Northeast corner of said Lot 14; Thence Easterly, along the South line of the alley running East and West through Block 25, to

the Northwest corner of Lot 12, Block 25; Thence Southerly, along the East line of said North and South alley, to the Southwest corner of Lot 13, Block 25; Thence Westerly, along the North line of West Chickasaw Street to the True Point of Beginning.

Motion made by Council Member Barker to open the Public Hearing. Seconded by Council Member Lornes.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

No comments.

Motion made by Council Member McKinney to close the Public Hearing, Seconded by Council Member Lornes.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

2. Consideration and possible action relating to an ordinance vacating an alleyway located east of Lots 14 and 15, Block 25, in the Original Townsite of Marietta, Love County, Oklahoma, with said property being fully described in Regular Business agenda item #1 above.

David Mordy addressed the Council for BancFirst to vacate the alley behind the Bank.

Motion made by Council Member McKinney to adopt Ordinance 2022-04 as presented, Seconded by Council Member Lornes.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

3. Consideration and possible action relating to a presentation by Georganne Westfall regarding regulations for buildings and properties located on West Main Street.

Georganne Westfall addressed the Council regarding Main Street and it's appearance. She would like to make sure ordinances are enforced. Would like permission to form a committee to review rules and regulations to see what can be done to improve the look of the City and safety of the public. Would like volunteers of residents or business owners for the committee.

Motion made by Council Member Barker to establish the Main Street Committee with Georganne Westfall as the Chairman who will obtain volunteers and report back to the City, Seconded by Council Member Anderson.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

4. Consideration and possible action relating to the purchase and installation of acoustic panels in the Council Chambers/Courtroom of the Marietta Municipal Building.

City Administrator Scott addressed the Council regarding reverberation in the meeting room of the Municipal Meeting.

Motion made by Council Member Sanders to adopt Resolution 2022-48, Seconded by Council Member Rushing.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

5. Consideration and possible action relating to project sponsorship for Transportation Alternative Program application and authorization to submit said application.

City Administrator Scott addressed the Council regarding the TAP Application for the Depot.

Motion made by Council Member McKinney to adopt Resolution 2022-49 with the project amount to be determined at a later time, Seconded by Council Member Barker.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

6. Consideration and possible action relating to creation of a community liaison position, and the approval of a job description for said position.

Motion made by Council Member Lornes to create the position of Community Liaison position, which is temporary dependent on funding, with the job description as presented and from the title changed from Administrative Specialist to Community Liaison, Seconded by Council Member Rushing.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

Voting Nay: Council Member Anderson

7. Consideration and possible action to convene in executive session to discuss the appointment of William Chambers as a police officer, pursuant to Title 25 O.S. Section 307.B.1, as well as the hours, duties, and pay for said position.

Motion made by Council Member Valenzuela to go into Executive Session at 6:43 p.m., Seconded by Council Member Lornes.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

Returned to Open Session at 7:03 p.m.

8. Consideration and possible action relating to the appointment of William Chambers as a police officer, as well as the hours, duties, and pay for said position.

Motion made by Council Member Sanders to adopt Resolution 2022-50 as presented, Seconded by Council Member Anderson.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

9. Consideration and possible action relating to holiday bonuses for City employees and volunteers.

Motion made by Council Member Barker to adopt Resolution 2022-51 as presented, Seconded by Council Member Anderson.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

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

Motion made by Council Member Barker to table Item #10, Seconded by Council Member Sanders.

Voting Yea: Council Member Lornes, Council Member McKinney, Council Member Anderson, Council Member Vega, Council Member Barker, Council Member Valenzuela, Council Member Sanders, Council Member Rushing

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 appreciates all the employees and everything they do.

NEW AND UNFORESEEN BUSINESS.

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

None.

ADJOURN.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Gwin", is positioned above a horizontal line.

Dottie Gwin, City Clerk
Scott Chaney, Deputy City Clerk