

November 14, 2022

The City Council met in Regular Session on November 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were City Administrator Jessie Montez, Mayor Sally Poteet, Council Members Danny Fryar, Gib Wheeler, Steven Villa, Leah Flanagan and James Jenkins. Also present, Chief of Police, Joe Morales and Finance Director, Laura Samanukorn. Visitors: Bill Reed.

Mayor Sally Poteet opened Regular Session at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment: None.

A motion was made by Council Member Villa and seconded by Council Member Flanagan that the previous minutes from October 11, 2022 be approved. All voted for.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to hire Franklin Legal Publication to update Code of Ordinance for \$12,750.00 (Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars) and to include ecode added to website for \$1,195.00 (One Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars) per year. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to hire Parkhill Engineering Firm for the 2023 Seal Coat Project. Council Member Flanagan seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Flanagan made the motion to approve the request made by Carla Ingram with the Chamber of Commerce to temporarily close ST. Peter beginning on Front Street and ending on Broadway following the Parade on December 3, 2022. Council Member Fryar seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Jenkins made the motion to re-appoint Mayor Sally Poteet to the Martin County Appraisal District for 2023-2024. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to accept Brenda Kendall's resignation and remove Mackenzie Allred from the Economic Development Corporation Board. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to appoint Colton Kidd and Maggie Newman to the Economic Development Corporation Board. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Fryar made the motion to approve request made by Trade Days to bury electrical line and set pole within the T&P Depot property. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to approve the Economic Development Corporation Board's forgiveness of grant remainder for MAD Creations in the amount of 10,00.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars). Council Member Fryar seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Fryar made the motion to approve the Economic Development Corporations Board's forgiveness of grant for Jane's Gas LLC in the amount of \$40,000.00 (Forty Thousand Dollars), leaving \$160,000.00 (One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars) on the original grant amount. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Chief Morales reported 116 (One Hundred Sixteen) calls for service for the month. Chief Morales reported hiring a new officer and being fully staffed.

City Manager, Jessie Montez, gave the following updates: CDBG Grant for waterline on Florence and Bell will also add fire protection, price will be higher. Boniface will be closed for two weeks with barricades from railroad tracks and going South 200 feet to replace and repair the street. COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) to be on next agenda.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to pay the October 2022 bills. The motion was seconded by Council Member Villa, and all voted for.

Council Member Fryar made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Sally Poteet, Mayor

ATTEST: Jessie Montez, City Administrator