

September 1, 2020 Town Hall Meeting

The Florence City Council met on September 1, 2020, at 5:40 pm with Mary Condon presiding to hear public comments and/or concerns on regarding the City of Florence. The public hearing closed at 6:00 pm.

September 1, 2020 Public Hearing Proposed Tax Rate Minutes

The Florence City Council met on September 1, 2020, at 6:00 pm with Mary Condon presiding to hear public comments and/or concerns on the on the proposed 2020 tax rate. The public hearing closed at 6:01 pm.

September 1, 2020 Public Hearing Juvenile Curfew Ordinance Minutes

The Florence City Council met on September 1, 2020, at 6:01 pm with Mary Condon presiding to hear public comments and/or concerns on the on the re-adoption of the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance. The public hearing closed at 6:02 pm.

September 1, 2020 Public Hearing Minutes

The Florence City Council met on September 1, 2020, at 6:02 pm with Mary Condon presiding to hear public comments and/or concerns on the on the re-adoption of the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance. The public hearing closed at 6:02 pm.

September 1, 2020 Minutes

The Florence City Council met on September 1, 2020, with Mayor Mary Condon presiding and Council members Lesa Ragsdale, Amanda Vance, Richard Moon, Candy Kyle, and Debra Bartos Cahill were present.

Staff members present Amy L. Crane and Adam Marsh.

Hejl, Lee, and Associates- Effendy.

Langford Community Management Services- Margaret Hardin.

Guests present Peggy Morse, Ben Daniel, Bennie Maldonado.

Mayor Mary Condon called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

4. Mayor Mary Condon asked that Guest addressing the Council speak at this time.

No citizens addressed the Council.

5. Consent Agenda-

Amanda Vance made the motion to approve the minutes for August 4, 2020, August 11, 2020, and August 25, 2020, as presented. Debra Bartos Cahill seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for

Amanda Vance- for

Richard Moon- for

Candy Kyle- for

Debra Bartos Cahill- for

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda-

Committee, Council Members, and City Staff Reports:

6. Municipal Court- See Report.

7. City Secretary, Amy L. Crane- See Report.

8. Police Department, Chief Adam Marsh- See Report.

9. Public Works Department- See Report.

10. Florence Chamber of Commerce- The Chamber is hosting a challenge amongst business owners on East Main Street for the best decorations surrounding the planters.

11. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion on approving the Joint Election agreement for the November 3, 2020, General Election- Williamson County Elections. Amanda Vance seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for

Amanda Vance- for

Richard Moon- for

Candy Kyle- for

Debra Bartos Cahill- for

Motion carried.

12. Amanda Vance made the motion to approve a resolution authorizing publication of notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation in a principal amount not to exceed \$1,700,000.00 and authoring certain other matters related thereto- real property 851 FM 970. Richard Moon seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for

Amanda Vance- for

Richard Moon- for

Candy Kyle- for

Debra Bartos Cahill- for

Motion carried.

13. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to approve the Road Bond Improvements proposal regarding engineering from Hejl, Lee, and Associates in the amount of \$86,500. Richard Moon seconded the motion.

Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

14. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion on authoring Mayor Mary Condon to approve the final recommendation from Hejl, Lee, and Associates for the CDBG projects that has approximately \$20,000 budget remaining for the project, and evaluating additional segments of water line improvements adjacent to the current project to use up the remaining budget. Amanda Vance seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

15. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to approve the letter of engagement from Taber & Burnett for the audit ending September 30, 2020. Lesa Ragsdale seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

16. Richard Moon made the motion to approve the 1st reading for Ordinance #09012020-01 making appropriations for the support of the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021; appropriating money to sinking fund to pay interest and principal on the City's indebtedness; and adopting the annual budget of the City of Florence for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Amanda Vance seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

17. Amanda Vance made the motion stating "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.72000, which is effectively a 7.2% increase in the tax rate" and approve a Resolution #09012020-02 setting the 2020 tax rate. Richard Moon seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for

Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

18. Richard Moon made the motion to approve submitting a request to TXDOT for road closure on Main Street December 12, 2020- Christmas Extravaganza. Amanda Vance seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

19. Lesa Ragsdale made the motion to close College Avenue from East Main Street to Gardner on Saturday, October 31, 2020. Richard Moon seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

20. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to authorize on transferring the 2015 Ford Explorer and old radios from the Florence Police Department to the Williamson County ESD No 7. Lesa Ragsdale seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

21. No action was taken on the real property located at 851 FM 970- City of Georgetown.

22. No action was taken on a presentation from Chief of Police Adam Marsh regarding cameras within the Main Street vicinity. An Engineer will be at this week to survey the project and provide Chief Marsh with a cost estimate.

23. Amanda Vance made the motion on approving re-surveying 306 East Main for the city to create parking and maintain the old jail. Lesa Ragsdale seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

24. Richard Moon made the motion to approve the City expenditures, as presented. Debra Bartos Cahill seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for

Amanda Vance- for
Richard Moon- for
Candy Kyle- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

25. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 14, 2020, at 6:00 pm. Mayor Mary Condon polled the Council who would be present at the next meeting.

Lesa Ragsdale- confirmed
Amanda Vance- confirmed
Richard Moon- confirmed
Candy Kyle- confirmed
Debra Bartos Cahill- confirmed

26. Mayor Mary Condon adjourned the meeting at 7:03 pm.

Amy L Crane- digitally signed
Amy L. Crane, City Secretary

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, this
_____ day of October 2020.**

Mary Condon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amy L. Crane, City Secretary