March 20, 2023 Minutes

The Florence City Council met on March 20, 2023, with Mayor Mary Condon presiding and Council members Lesa Ragsdale, Denise Deichmann, Kory Woolverton, Amy Hansson, and Debra Bartos Cahill were present.

Staff members present Amy L. Crane, Mary Dixon, Josh Teitge, and Adam Marsh.

Guests present: None

Mayor Mary Condon called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

Mayor Mary Condon asked that Guests addressing the Council to speak at this time. No public comment.

5. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to approve an Election Agreement between the City of Florence and Williamson County to conduct the May 6, 2023, General/Special Election. Amy Hansson seconded the motion. Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for Denise Deichmann- for Kory Woolverton- for Amy Hansson- for Debra Bartos Cahill- for Motion carried.

6. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion approving the 2nd reading of Ordinance No. 03072023-01 ordering an Election on Saturday, May 6, 2023 for one local sale and use tax proposition; the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Florence, Texas at the rate of ½ of 1 percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. Denise Deichmann seconded the motion. Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for Denise Deichmann- for Kory Woolverton- for Amy Hansson- for Debra Bartos Cahill- for Motion carried.

7. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion approving a change order from Westar Construction in the amount of \$20,089.00 for North Love Avenue road project. Lesa Ragsdale seconded the motion. Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for Denise Deichmann- for Kory Woolverton- for Amy Hansson- for Debra Bartos Cahill- for Motion carried.

- **8.** Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion approving an increase in water rates based on the water rate study performed earlier this year. The new rates are as follows-
 - Minimum water rate 0-2,000 gallons for all meters- Increase of \$20.00 for all water meter sizes.
 - Outside City Limits rates will be eliminated. All accounts will be billed the minimum based on meter size.
 - 2,001 gallons to 10,000 gallons- increase 10% per 1,000 gallons.
 - 10,000 gallons to max- increase 20% per 1,000 gallons.

Lesa Ragsdale seconded the motion. Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for

Denise Deichmann- for

Kory Woolverton- for

Amy Hansson- for

Debra Bartos Cahill- for

Motion carried.

- 9. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to create a PayScale for the following positions-
 - Public Works Technician I- \$12.00 to \$15.00 an hour based on D.O.Q.
 - Public Works Technician II- \$15.00 to \$22.00 an hour based on D.O.Q.
 - The Council agreed to increase the hourly rate of the Public Works Technician II \$21.00 an hour due to increase in responsibilities with the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Denise Deichmann seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for

Denise Deichmann- for

Kory Woolverton- for

Amy Hansson- for

Debra Bartos Cahill- for

Motion carried.

10. Denise Deichmann made the motion to approve the Expenditures, as presented. Debra Bartos Cahill second the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for

Denise Deichmann- for

Kory Woolverton- for

Amy Hansson- for

Debra Bartos Cahill- for

Motion carried.

11. The next Council meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2023, at 6:00 pm. Mayor Mary Condon polled the Council who would be present at the next meeting.

Lesa Ragsdale- confirmed

Denise Deichmann- confirmed

Kory Woolverton- confirmed

Amy Hansson- confirmed

Debra Bartos Cahill- confirmed

Motion carried.

12. Mayor Mary Condon adjourned the meeting at 6:55 pm.



PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, this day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:

Amy L. Crane, City Secretary