City of Midway City Council Meeting Minutes September 26, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Whitmire.

The Invocation was given by Councilman Marc Nelson, Mayor Pro-Tem John Whitmire led the Pledge.

Those in attendance included Mayor Pro-Tem John Whitmire, City Secretary Debra Newkirk, Council members Rex Newkirk, Gus Kangos, Brandee Curtis and Marc Nelson. Janet Boone and Wes Savage were also in attendance. Mayor Brenda Ford was unable to attend.

A brief Budget Workshop opened the meeting and then Mayor Pro-Tem Whitmire opened the Public Hearing for the Budget at 7:08 p.m. and with no members of the public present to voice their thoughts on the proposed budget, the Hearing was closed at 7:10 p.m.

Councilman Rex Newkirk made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Councilman Marc Nelson made the second and with all present voting in favor the motion carried.

There were no Public Comments at this time.

Jacob Eserski was scheduled to attend the meeting and present his new business to the Council; not being present the meeting moved forward.

Ordinance 2023-01, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, was presented to the Council. Councilman Rex Newkirk made the motion to adopt the budget, Councilwoman Brandee Curtis made the second and with all present voting in favor the motion carried.

Ordinance 2022-10, Denying Entergy's Rate Change, was presented to the Council. Councilman Rex Newkirk made the motion to approve denying the rate change, Councilman Marc Nelson made the second and with all present voting in favor the motion carried.

Staff Reports were given at this time. Janet Boone reported that everything was fine, as regarding the reports. She did report that Mr. Adams had been out and stated that the electrical would have to be checked at the WWTP for three phase and that there would need to be a slab for the blower and some shed-type of covering. Janet showed all present the quote she had received in the amount of \$44,500 for the project. The funding for this project would be coming from the State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) which were part of the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds. The City had already received half of the allotted funds and some work had already been done at the lagoons with monies left over. The second half of the allotment had not been received as of Council Meeting time, but when received would be put towards this project. It was also discussed that if these funds did not fully meet the cost of the project there were other funds available to cover the difference. Councilman Gus Kangos made the motion to proceed with the project, Councilman Rex Newkirk made the second and with all present voting in agreement the motion carried.

Wes Savage reported that he was still having to back wash two times a day every day and that he had met with Keyur Gorji to find a way to backwash on gallons pumped; it's still coming out to 2 times in a 24 hour period. Wes also reported that we are using more ACH than he anticipated. The first barrel was put on September 6<sup>th</sup> and lasted 21 days, so instead of ordering 1 barrel a month he would be ordering 2 and the cost is \$650 per barrel.

Debra Newkirk reported that she and the Mayor would be attending a meeting in Bryan on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October regarding the CDBG-MIT MOD. Allison Basinger would be in the office until the regular time of 12 noon, but Debra and the Mayor would be living between 10:30 and 11:00.

At this time, Councilman Gus Kangos requested an Executive Session under Texas Government Code Chapter 551, Section 551.074 personnel matters. The Executive Session opened at 7:50 p.m. and was closed at 7:58 p.m. There was no further action from the Executive Session.

Councilman Gus Kangos made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting and Councilwoman Brandee Curtis made the second and with all present voting in agreement the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

John Whitmire, Mayor Pro-Tem

Debra Newkirk, City Secretary