

MARIANNA CITY COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 23, 2019
4:30 P.M.

The Marianna City Commission met for a special meeting on the above date and time. Mayor Roberts called the meeting to order. City Clerk, Kimberly J. Applewhite, called the roll. Members present were: Mayor John Roberts, Travis Ephriam, Kenneth Hamilton and Allen Ward, II. Commissioner Rico Williams arrived late.

Commissioner Ephriam gave the invocation and Mayor Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Ephriam, with a second by Commissioner Ward, the Commission voted unanimously to add the following to the agenda:

- Item 10B-Purchase of Body Wire for Police Department.
- Item 13A-Committee for review of Construction Services RFQ

Rhonda Thomas, JT Maddox and Donald Stanley were present from Wheeler Emergency Management to update the Commission on the FEMA process/claims. JT Maddox spoke to the Commission and provided a handout that details the projects/categories of the FEMA claims and where each claim stands at the current moment. The Commission thanked Wheeler for providing the update.

A public hearing was then held on the SRF Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades. Amir Zafar was present from Mott MacDonald to give an update on the proposed work to be completed under this project. This project is expected to cost around \$5.5 million. There was no public comment on this matter.

The Public hearing was then closed.

In the April 2nd Commission meeting, a variance request was presented on property at 2831 Washington Street. The owner had requested a variance to replace a 1975 single wide mobile home that was severely damaged by Hurricane Michael with a 1989 single wide mobile home. City Staff had recommended denying the variance request because the request was not in general harmony with the City of Marianna Land Development Code. The Commission had ask to table the agenda item until they could look into this further and to bring to this special meeting.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Williams, with a second by Commissioner Ward, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the variance request and allow the 1989 mobile home to be placed on the property.

The City of Marianna is in need of upgrades to the WWTP and has determined it is in the best interest of the City to seek funding for the upgrades from FDEP SRF. The initial step is to formally adopt a Facility Plan which has been prepared by Mott MacDonald (MM). In conjunction with the SRF loan/grant program, MM has prepared and staff has reviewed the proposed Facility Plan and staff is asking for approval of Resolution 2019-15.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Ephriam, with a second by Commissioner Williams, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Resolution 2019-15, adopting the Facility Plan for the WWTP.

In order to conduct covert operations, the Police department is requesting to use forfeiture funds to purchase (1) body wire ACT 1300-NW, Tiny Tot 3-1300 with antenna for \$1,600. This is a sole source purchase.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Hamilton, with a second by Commissioner Ephriam, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the purchase of (1) body wire for \$1,600 out of forfeiture funds.

The City received 3 responses for Construction Services and City Manager Jim Dean is asking that a committee be formed to review the proposals and present back to the Commission. The Committee will be Jim Dean, Joe Richey, Sam Everett and Travis Ephriam.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Williams, with a second by Commissioner Ward, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Committee selection.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor-Commissioner

Attest:

City Clerk