

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF CENTER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 14, 2020**

The Center City Council met in a regular session on Monday, September 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at the Windham Civic Center. Notices were properly posted of the date, place and hour and the news media was notified. The following members were present:

David Chadwick	-	Mayor	
Leigh Porterfield	-	Mayor Pro Tem	
Joyce Johnson	-	Council Member	
Howell Howard	-	Council Member	
Jerry Lathan	-	Council Member	
Terry Scull	-	Council Member	Absent
Randy Collard	-	Council Member	
Chad Nehring	-	City Manager	
John Price	-	City Attorney	

Guests signed the register.

**Item I. Mayor David Chadwick opened the meeting and welcomed the visitors.**

Chief Byndom from the Center Fire Department presented the Council a check for \$1,500 from Center Point Energy for equipment.

**Item II. Approval of Minutes:**

**A. Regular Meeting on August 24, 2020.**

Council Member Randy Collard made a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Leigh Porterfield seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Item III. Consider Discussion and Possible Action on the following:**

- A. Ordinance 2020-13 Canceling the City Election.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated this order is allowed as there was only one applicant filed for each open term during this election cycle and there were no contested races for any of the four open seats. Mr. Nehring stated this ordinance determines the election complete and the filed candidates elected to office. Council Member Howell Howard made the motion to approve Ordinance 2020-13 Canceling the City Election. Council Member Randy Collard seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- B. MHS Planning & Design Proposal – Perry Sampson Park Renovation -** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated the Texas Parks & Wildlife Commission did approve funding for the City's Perry Sampson Park Renovation Project. The contract presented initiates design that would give roughly at least a month head start on this project, while awaiting the grant funding contract. Council Member Joyce Johnson made a motion to approve the MHS Planning & Design Proposal for Perry Sampson Park Renovation design. Council Member Leigh Porterfield seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- C. Gary R. Traylor & Associates Grant Administration Contract - TXCDBG.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated this project entails the installation and piping for the elevated water storage tank on the south Loop at Hwy 7 to intercept the main water line from Pinkston and allow more control of system pressure. Mr. Nehring stated this contract provides grant management services to satisfy all TDA reporting requirements. Council Member Howell Howard made the motion to approve the Gary R. Traylor & Associates Grant Management Contract – TXCDBG. Council Member Jerry Lathan seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- D. Audit Engagement Letter – Axley & Rode.** City Manager, Chad Nehring this firm has provided annual financial and management audits as required by City Charter and State requirements for over thirty years and the engagement letter would contract for these services for the fiscal year ending September 20, 2020. Council Member Joyce Johnson made the motion to approve the Audit Engagement Letter for Axley & Rode. Council Member Howell Howard seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- E. TML Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees Election Ballot.** City Manager,

Chad Nehring stated this is the annual election for board members and that staff recommends the City's votes be cast for each of the four incumbents. Council Member Randy Collard made the motion to approve the four incumbents be cast to the TML Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees Election Ballot. Council Member Howell Howard seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**F. Requests (Revisions) of Shelby County Chamber of Commerce – Poultry Festival.**

1. 5K Chicken Trot Temporary Street Closure – October 3, 2020. City Manager, Chad Nehring stated the proposed route would require more than one traffic control unit and more barricades than prior routes that are not available for compliance. Mr. Nehring stated staff needs to revisit the plan with the Chamber and would bring this back at the next meeting.

**G. Appointments:**

1. Tax Increment Financing Board. This item was postponed until the next meeting.

**Item IV. Items of Interest from Council and City Manager, and Citizens – No Action Items.**

1. Downtown Construction
2. Hwy 96 Sewer Replacement Project
3. Street Construction (Annual Street EDC Project)
4. Airport CIP – Runway/Taxiway Renovations
5. Sales Tax Report – FY 2020 Year End
6. Perry Sampson Park Grant Project
7. TML Annual Conference
8. Civic Center Paint Project
9. TDA- Downtown Grant

City Manager, Chad Nehring updated Council regarding each of these items.

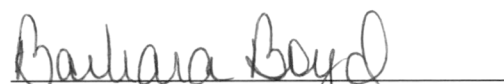
**Item V. Executive Session.**

Council entered into Executive session for consultation with the City Attorney at 5:22 pm. There was no action taken.

**Item V. Adjournment.** Mayor David Chadwick adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.

  
David Chadwick, Mayor

Attest:

  
Barbara Boyd, City Secretary

