

MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLEMAN
CITY HALL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019
6:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Tommy Sloan, Mayor Pro Tem Sharlene Hetzel, Councilman Bobby McGee, Councilman Sherman Smith, Councilman Monte Sides, City Manager Diana Lopez, and City Secretary Karen Langley.

Absent: City Attorney Pat Chesser

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: *Mayor Tommy Sloan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p, and gave the invocation.*
2. Introductions, Announcements, and Recognitions
3. Items to be withdrawn
4. Citizen Presentations
5. Discuss, consider, and act upon authorizing the City Manager to execute a grant for Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) with Texas Department of Transportation for financial assistance for airport maintenance and other incidental items as approved by the State for the Coleman Municipal Airport, providing 50% of eligible project expenses, for Fiscal Year 2020. *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel authorizing the City Manager to execute a grant for Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) with Texas Department of Transportation for financial assistance for airport maintenance and other incidental items as approved by the State for the Coleman Municipal Airport, providing 50% of eligible project expenses, for Fiscal Year 2020. Councilman Sides seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
6. Discuss, consider, and act upon an expenditure not to exceed \$12,000 for the purchase of portable radios for the Coleman Police Department with funds allocated in Revised Fiscal Year 2019. *A motion was made by Councilman Smith to approve the expenditure to LAN Communications in an amount not to exceed \$12,001.02 for the purchase of 6 portable radios for the Coleman Police Department with funds allocated in Revised Fiscal Year 2019. Councilman McGee seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
7. Discuss, consider, and act upon the second reading of an Ordinance of the City of Coleman, adopting the property tax tare for tax year 2019. *A motion was made by Councilman Sides to approve the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.423843/100, which is effectively an 8% increase in the tax rate. Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel seconded the motion. Councilman Smith – yes, Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel – yes, Councilman Sides – yes, and Councilman McGee – yes. The motion carried 4-0.*
8. The City Council may enter Executive Session to discuss the following pursuant to: Government Code §551.074 (Personnel Matters) to discuss personnel changes related to the position of Municipal Court Judge and Municipal Court Clerk. *Council entered into executive session at 6:13 p.m. Council returned to regular session at 7:20 p.m.*
9. Upon returning to open session, the City Council may take whatever actions as they may deem appropriate regarding items discussed in Executive Session including: authorizing the City Manager to hire a full time Municipal Court Clerk, and proceed with receiving qualifications from applicants for a contractual position as the Municipal Court Judge. *A motion was made by Councilman Smith to approve the hiring of a full time Municipal Court Clerk and to proceed with receiving qualifications from applicants for a contractual position as the Municipal Court Judge. Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
10. Hear presentation regarding the progress of the Departmental Assessment of the Coleman Police Department and discuss, consider, and possible action regarding the Department Assessment of the Coleman Police Department. *City Manager Lopez presented a report to council. Chief Smith will have his written report to the City Manager by Thursday. The Coleman Police Department is taking part in the National Night out on October 1, 2019.*

Dispatch has been transferred over to the County. Chief Smith is working on the recommendation from the assessment to have someone come in regarding the evidence. They are in the process of Re-organizing the department and will be working on cross training. The lobby is closed due to staff on leave. The front counter is helping out in this area while needed.

11. Adjournment: A motion was made by Councilman Sides to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. Councilman McGee seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Karen Langley
CITY SECRETARY

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MAYOR