

MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLEMAN
CITY HALL
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020
5:15 P.M.

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

Absent:

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: *Mayor Tommy Sloan called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm, and Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel gave the invocation.*
2. Introductions, Announcements, and Recognitions
3. Items to be withdrawn
4. Citizen Presentations: *Vicki Mayo spoke to council with concerns about the water.*
5. Discuss, consider, and act upon the approval of minutes for the City of Coleman Council Meeting held on December 19, 2019. *A motion was made by Councilman Sides to approve the minutes of the City of Coleman Council meeting held on December 5, 2019. Councilman McGee seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
6. Discuss, consider, and act upon adoption of a resolution designating the Coleman Chronicle and Democrat-Voice as the official City newspaper for publications required by State law and /or by City Charter. *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel adoption of a Resolution designating the Coleman Chronicle and Democrat-Voice as the official City newspaper for City of Coleman publications. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
7. Discuss, consider, and act upon second reading of a resolution of the City of Coleman approving and authorizing a Type B project to provide two loans to Robert and Laurie Williamson in the amount of \$140,000; with \$70,000 funded from the Coleman Economic Development Corporation (Type A – EDC) and \$70,000 funded from the Coleman Community Coalition (Type B – EDC). *A motion was made by Councilman McGee to approve the second reading of a resolution authorizing a Type B project to provide two loans to Robert and Laurie Williamson in the amount of \$140,000; with \$70,000 funded from CEDC and \$70,000 funded from CCC. Councilman Sides seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
8. The City Council of the City of Coleman will conduct a Public Hearing to hear presentation from Charles E. Zech, Special Counsel for the City of Coleman regrading proposed revisions to the City of Coleman City Charter; gather input from the public, discuss, consider, and act upon direction on preparing revisions to the City Charter for a May 2020 Charter Election. *The public hearing was opened at 5:27 pm. City Manager Lopez and Charles Zech, Special Counsel spoke to the Council concerning the proposed revisions to the City of Coleman City Charter. The public hearing closed at 6:54 p.m.*
9. Hear presentation from members of the Garden Club regarding proposed beautification project for City of Coleman City Hall. *No action.*
10. Discuss, consider, and act upon a resolution of the City of Coleman authorizing the expenditure of funds from the Coleman Community Coalition (Type B - EDC) in an amount not to exceed \$4,000 to be used to make improvements to 18 tee boxes for the Disc Golf Course at Milton Autry Memory Lake. *A motion was made by Councilman McGee to approve a Resolution to approve the expenditure of funds from the Coleman Community Coalition (Type B EDC) in an amount not to exceed \$4,000 to be used to make improvements*

to 18 tee boxes for the Disc Golf Course at Milton Autry Memory Lake. Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

11. Discuss, consider, and act upon the expenditure of promotional funds in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 from the Coleman Economic Development Corporation (Type A – EDC) and the Coleman Community Coalition (Type B – EDC) for improvements and repairs to a sign located in the City Park. *A motion was made by Councilman Sides to approve the expenditure of Promotional funds in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 from the Coleman Economic Development Corporation (Type A EDC) and the Coleman Community Coalition (Type B EDC) for improvements and repairs to a sign located in the City Park. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
12. Discuss, consider, and act upon authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate an easement with Fern Jones for the purpose of removing brush, litter, and maintenance of the easement adjacent to a roadside sign located on Highway 84 next to the City of Coleman City Park. *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate an easement with Fern Jones for the purpose of removing brush, litter, and maintenance of the easement adjacent to a roadside sign located on Highway 84 next to the City of Coleman City Park, with amendments. Section 5: to the extended permitted by law, grantee agrees to indemnify Grantor from all claims of injury and damages to Grantor or third parties caused by the removal of brush from the premises of Grantor by Grantee during the term of this easement. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
13. Discuss, consider, and act upon authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Hyper-Reach for a mass notification system with cost sharing to be shared amongst organizations within Coleman County. *A motion was made by Councilman Sides to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Hyper Reach for a County Wide mass notification system and bring back Interlocal Agreements with entities that will be sharing in the cost. Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
14. Discuss, consider, and act upon authorizing the City Manager to execute purchase agreements with Versalift Southwest for the purchase of specialized heavy equipment for the City of Coleman Electrical Department utilizing financing approved through Government Capital Corporation. *A motion was made by Councilman Smith to authorize the City Manager to proceed with execution of purchase contracts with Versalift Southwest for the purchase of specialized heavy equipment in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, and utilizing financing approved by the Council through Government Capital Corporation. Councilman Sides seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
15. Discuss, consider and act upon adoption of a resolution calling for a General Election to elect member(s) to the City of Coleman City Council; establishing date of election; designating polling places; providing for early voting; providing for the appointment of Election Judge(s) and Early Voting Clerk(s), etc.; authorizing the City Secretary to publish and/or post Notice of Election; and resolving other matters incident and related to such election. *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel to approve the resolution calling for a General Election in the City of Coleman to elect two members of the City of Coleman City Council establishing the date of the election as Saturday, May 2, 2020, designating polling places, providing dates for early voting, providing for the appointment of Judges, and authorizing the City Secretary to publish and post the Notice of Election.*
16. The City Council may enter Executive Session to discuss the following pursuant to Government Code §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Government Code §551.074 (Personnel Matters) to discuss employment law issues and to secure legal advice from legal Counsel regarding police and fire department matters. *Council entered into executive session at 8:06 p.m. Council returned to regular session at 9:09 p.m.*
17. Upon returning to open session, the City Council may take whatever actions as they may deem appropriate regarding items discussed in Executive Session including:

- A. Discuss, consider, and act upon reclassifying the vacant position of Sergeant/Detective to an FLSA exempt position and directing that the job description be changed to reflect that reclassification. *No action. The Council is encouraging Chief Smith to promote from within.*
- B. Discuss, consider, and act upon authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with LEXIPOOL for policy and training solutions for the Coleman Fire Department. *A motion was made by Councilman Sides to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with LEXIPOOL for Policy and training solutions for the Coleman Fire Department and amending the departmental budget to reflect a one-year subscription to the service. Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*
13. Adjournment: *A motion was made by Councilman Sides to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m. Councilman McGee seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.*


CITY SECRETARY


MAYOR