

On this the 18th day of September, 2017, the City Council of the City of Marlin, Texas convened in a SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AND BUDGET WORKSHOP, at 5:30pm, the same being open to the public and having been posted as prescribed in Local Government Code, Section 551.041 with the following members present to wit:

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**Mayor John Keefer**  
**Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Porter**  
**Scottie Henderson**  
**Rose Morin**  
**Curtis Smith**  
**Susan Byrd**  
**Terence McDavid**

**STAFF**

**Allen Grindstaff, City Manager**  
**Sandra Herring, City Secretary**

1. **Call to Order by Mayor Keefer @ 5:30pm.**
2. **Roll Call by Sandra Herring.**
3. **Certify Posting in accordance with State Law by Sandra Herring.**
4. **Pledge by Mayor Keefer and Invocation by Rose Morin.**
5. **PUBLIC HEARING: On proposed tax rate of .85904 of which Maintenance and Operations Rate of \$0.77834 and Debt Service Rate of \$0.08070 par \$100 valuation.**
  - Open Public Hearing**
    - a. **Speak In Favor. None**
    - b. **Speak In Opposition. None**
    - c. **Questions by Citizens. None**
    - d. **Close Public Hearing @ 5:33pm.**

6. **Discussion and action on Ordinance No. 17-012, amending water rate.**

**Councilmember Morin made motion to approve Ordinance No. 17-012.**

**Mayor Pro-Tem Porter wanted to discuss the rates in more detail.**

**Mayor Keefer indicated that he was under the impression that the increase was going to be for water rate only not on base rates as well. Mr. Grindstaff indicated that the increased funding is for water plant, sewer plant and water utilities. If you remove the \$2 chipper fee it will run average about \$2.25.**

**With a motion to approve from Councilmember Morin,**

**Councilmember Byrd seconded this motion and the motion carried as follows:**

**AYES: Councilmember Morin, Councilmember Smith, Councilmember McDavid, Councilmember Byrd, Mayor Keefer.**

NAYS: Councilmember Henderson, Mayor Pro-Tem Porter.

**7. Discussion and action on parking solutions for Heritage Row.**

Councilmember Byrd asked if abutting businesses were notified of this change. City Manager indicated that due to changes in the new sidewalk it currently limits the amount of parking available and with the change in directional parking we could have 40 spaces. Councilmember Morin made motion to approve the change is parking on Heritage Row and place signs for delivery unloading on one side.

Councilmember Henderson seconded this motion and the motion carried as follows:

**AYES: Councilmember Morin, Councilmember Smith, Councilmember Henderson, Councilmember McDavid, Councilmember Byrd, Mayor Pro-Tem Porter, Mayor Keefer.**

**NAYS: None.**

**8. BUDGET WORKSHOP: Review of new rate proposal.**

**9. Future agenda items.**

Brushy Creek, cell phone franchise.

**10. Adjourn.**


Councilmember Henderson made motion to adjourn, all in favor said "Aye":

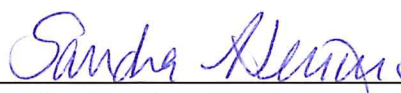
**AYES: Councilmember Morin, Councilmember Smith, Councilmember Henderson, Councilmember McDavid, Councilmember Byrd, Mayor Pro-Tem Porter, Mayor Keefer.**

**NAYS: None.**

**PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 9TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2018.**



  
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John Keefer, Mayor

  
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Sandra Herring, City Secretary