

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 1, 2023

The Mayor and Council of the City of Marion met on Monday, March 1, 2023 in its regularly scheduled council session. The council meeting was held at 6:15 p.m. immediately following the public hearing on **(Ord. No. 2023, 3-3-23) – A Severe Weather Ordinance** in the Council's Chambers of the Marion City Hall located at 123 E. Jefferson St. and via Zoom. The public was asked for comments and concerns during the public comment session. Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton called the meeting to order immediately following public comments. On roll call, the following members were present: Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton, Councilmembers: Jeremy Arrington (D1), Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4), and Councilman Jefferson K. Nail (D5). Council members Tommie Kennie (D2) and Joseph Pearson (D3) were absent. City Clerk-Treasurer Laura W. Hinton & Zoom served as the recorders of the minutes. Attorney Ainka Sanders Jackson of the Law Office of Chestnut, Sanders, and Sanders, L.L.C., along with local citizens, and other agenda presenters were present.

A quorum being present, Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton declared the meeting open for the transaction of business.

Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton provided the invocation and lead The Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Jefferson Nail (D5) moved to adopt the minutes from the previous council session held on Monday, April 17, 2023. Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Jefferson Nail (D5) moved to adopt the Perry County Inmate Contract as presented. Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

No actions were taken on **(Ord. No. 2023, 3-3-23) – A Severe Weather Ordinance**.

The Chief of Police provided information on changes and a proposed plan to the city's jail, collected traffic citations, misdemeanors, and other arrests made as well as informative supplies needed for the police department. In addition, Chief Bufford requested a budget to purchase informative supplies for schools and other setups. Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4) moved approve the purchase of informative supplies with a budget of \$1,500.00. Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton requested emergency funds to repair the lift station on College St. at a cost of \$14,000.00, the sewer line on Hwy. 14 at \$1,283.36, and the transmission in the water truck at \$3,500.00. Councilman Jefferson Nail (D5) moved to accept the requested emergency funds to repair the lift station on College St. at a cost of \$14,000.00, the sewer line on Hwy. 14 at \$1,283.36, and have a transmission placed in the water truck at a cost of \$3,500. Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) moved via request of the Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton for an executive session as authorized by [AL Code § 36-25A-7 \(2016\)](#) for the

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purposes of general reputation/good name and character and to discuss pending ligations with the attorney and other legal representatives for a period of fifteen (5) minutes. Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4) seconded the motion. Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton requested a roll call vote noting the following: Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) yes, Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4) yes, Councilman Jefferson K. Nail (D5) yes, and Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton yes. The motion carried unanimously.

Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton cited that no actions were taken nor decision made in executive session.

Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1) moved to reconvene from executive session. Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presiding Officer Mayor Dexter Hinton declared the next regularly scheduled council meeting will be Monday, May 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. With no further business to come before the council, it was properly moved by Councilman Willie Jackson (Pro-Tem-D4) that the session be adjourned at 7:05 p.m. Seconded by Councilman Jeremy Arrington (D1). Motion carried.

Mayor

Attest: _____
City Clerk-Treasurer