

November 14, 2022

On this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022 at 6:30 PM the City Council of the City of Friona, Texas, convened in regular session at the regular meeting place thereof, in the Friona City Council Chambers, 619 Main Street, the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting having been given as prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Government Code, with the members being present and in attendance, to wit:

Greg Lewellen, Mayor  
 Bruce Fleming, Council Member  
 Brent Loflin, Council Member  
 Esmeralda Mills, Council Member  
 Alan Monroe, Mayor Pro Tem  
 Cindy Moreno, Council Member  
 Leander Davila, City Manager (absent)

Others present included: Rosa Mendez, City Secretary  
 Anahi Gomez, Friona Library Director  
 Erika Carrillo, Project Mgr. Edu. & Health Resources  
 Faith Cooper, citizen  
 Charles Cooper, citizen  
 Clint Mears, Friona Star Editor

Mayor Lewellen called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

**ITEM 1      ROLL CALL**

Mayor Lewellen called roll and announced that a quorum was present.

**ITEM 2      INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem Monroe gave the invocation and Council Member Loflin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

**ITEM 3      HEAR PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

Erika Carrillo, Project Manager of Education & Health Resources with the Department of State Health Services, spoke to the council about what her program offers and what services she has provided. The targeted group of the grant program is the Guatemalan population of Parmer, Deaf Smith and Gray counties. Erika has brought different agency resources to the Guatemalan Church here in Friona and was instrumental in working with Jimmy Burns, Friona ISD Superintendent in implementing the in-city bus routes to get these children to school. Her goal is to establish a coalition that will still be around after the grant money is gone.

**REGULAR HEARINGS:** (Regular hearing opened at 6:37)**ITEM 4        CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 11, 2022 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MOTION**        Mayor Pro Tem Monroe made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting as presented and Council Member Moreno made the second to the motion and the motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 5        CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FRIONA AND PARKHILL, SMITH & COOPER, INC. D/B/A PARKHILL PROVIDING ENGINEERING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$95,000 FOR THE 2023 GROUP SEAL COAT PROGRAM**

**MOTION**        The motion was made by Council Member Fleming to approve the agreement between Parkhill, Smith & Cooper Inc. providing engineering services in an amount not to exceed \$95,000 for the 2023 Group Seal Coat Program. Council Member Loflin made the second to the motion and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 6        CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT 2023 SEAL COATING PROGRAM**

**MOTION**        Council Member Fleming made the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Local Government 2023 Seal Coating Program. The second to the motion was made by Council Member Loflin and the motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 7        CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL LEASE WITH REST & RELAX FARMS, INC (MICHAEL RUSHING) APPROXIMATELY 57.10 ACRES TRACT OF LAND FOR 2023-2024 CROP YEARS (\$16.00/ACRE)**

**MOTION**        A motion was made by Council Member Monroe to renew the agricultural lease with Rest & Relax Farms, Inc. (Michael Rushing) approximately 57.10 acres tract of land for 2023-2024 crop years (\$16.00/acre). The second to the motion was made by Council Member Moreno and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 8            CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL LEASE WITH R & J FARMS (REX WELLS) APPROXIMATELY 72.253 ACRES TRACT OF LAND FOR 2023-2024 CROP YEARS (\$22.10/ACRE)**

**MOTION**        The motion was made by Council Member Loflin to approve the renewal of the agricultural lease with R & J Farms (Rex Wells) approximately 72.253 acres tract of land for 2023-2024 crop years (\$22.10/acre). Council Member Fleming made the second to the motion and the motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 9            CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL LEASE WITH WADE SCHUELER TRACT 1 APPROXIMATELY 139.57 ACRES TRACT 2 APPROXIMATELY 144.16 ACRES OF LAND FOR 2023-2024 CROP YEARS (\$75.00/ACRE)**

**MOTION**        Council Member Monroe made the motion to approve the renewal of agricultural lease with Wade Schueler Tract 1 approximately 139.57 acres Tract 2 approximately 144.16 acres of land for 2023-2024 crop years (\$75.00/acre). The second to the motion was made by Council Member Moreno and the motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 10          CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL LEASE WITH WADE SCHUELER APPROXIMATELY 320 ACRES TRACT OF LAND FOR 2023-2024 CROP YEARS (\$18.00/ACRE)**

**MOTION**        A motion was made by Council Member Fleming to approve the renewal of agricultural lease with Wade Schueler approximately 320 acres Tract of land for 2023-2024 crop years (\$18.00/acre). Council Member Loflin made the second to the motion and the motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 11          CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPOINTMENT OF PATSY VASQUEZ, TONIA ABARCA, ANITA LAFUENTE, REBECCA BAUCOM, RAFAEL CALVILLO AND CASSIE ROCHA TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE FRIONA LIBRARY FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM**

**MOTION**        The motion was made by Council Member Monroe to approve the appointment of Patsy Vasquez, Tonia Abarca, Anita Lafuente, Rebecca Baucom, Rafael Calvillo and Cassie Rocha to serve on the Board of Directors for the Friona Library for a two-year term. A second to the motion was made by Council Member Mills and the motion was passed with a unanimous vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 12 HEAR DEPARTMENTAL REPORT FROM THE FRIONA PUBLIC LIBRARY REGARDING BUDGET, EXPENSES, PERSONNEL, AND UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

Anahi Gomez, library director, informed the council of past and upcoming events. On November 28<sup>th</sup> the library will host FAFSA night for high school seniors and parents. Last year they had approximately 80 in attendance.

**ITEM 13 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR OCTOBER 2022**

City Secretary reviewed Accounts Payable with council members.

**MOTION** A motion was made by Council Member Monroe to approve Accounts Payable for October 2022. The second to the motion was made by Council Member Moreno and the motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**ITEM 14 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR OCTOBER 2022**

**MOTION** Council Member Fleming made the motion to approve the Financial Statement for October 2022. The second to the motion was made by Council Member Monroe. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**NOTE:** It should be noted that Item 16 was taken up first followed by Item 15 and then the regular order of agenda items.

**ITEM 15 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON AN OPTION AGREEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY WITH KENDRICK OIL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000**

**MOTION** The motion was made by Council Member Monroe to approve an option agreement of real property with Kendrick Oil in an amount not to exceed \$6,000. The second to the motion was made by Council Member Loflin and the motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** (closed into executive session at 7:05 p.m.)

**ITEM 16 CITY COUNCIL WILL CONVENE INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SUBCHAPTER D, SECTION 551.072 (DELIBERATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE, OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY/ KENDRICK OIL)**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

**REGULAR HEARING:** (Regular hearing opened at 7:30 p.m.)

**ITEM 17 RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION AND CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEM 16 DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**ITEM 18 ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business at hand the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

APPROVED:

/s/ Greg Lewellen  
Greg Lewellen, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Rosa Mendez  
Rosa Mendez, City Secretary