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**MINUTES – COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**LOCATION: ALAMO COMMUNITY CENTER**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Pamela Lee, Bobby Cox, Dondrea Geter, Steve Jones, Harry Lewis, Patricia Woodard, and Thomas Lott.

1. **Called Meeting to Order** – 6:00 pm by Mayor Lee.
2. **Invocation** – Jeffrey Floyd
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Approve Minutes from 3/15 Regular meeting and 4/14 Called meeting**– Woodard made the motion to approve the minutes, **Geter 2<sup>nd</sup>**, unanimously approved.
5. **Approve Agenda** – **Geter** made the motion to approve the agenda, **Jones 2<sup>nd</sup>**, unanimously approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

6. **City Hall Strategic Planning Committee Update** – the members of the committee have split up in groups and went over the good & bad of Alamo. Most feel that nothing will get done if certain people are on council, but there are items that the city is not in compliance with and the city needs to figure out ways to fix it. They feel that a new city hall will boost up the morale of the employees and citizens of the city. During the May council meeting the members of the committee will speak to everyone and council with their findings and suggestions.
7. **Old Rec. Dept. Update** – The final application is due by April 30 and the council needs to finalize what they would like to see and how much they are willing to spend. There will be a packet at the city hall if anyone would like to look at the specifics of everything that will be proposed to put down at the rec. department. They will be looking at a Nature trail, redo bathrooms, update/upgrade to playground for children, surveillance, parking lot, gazebos/group shelters with grills & tables and possible a fence around area so it can be regulated. **Geter made the motion to go up to \$200,000 which the city will be liable for \$100,000 of that because it is a match grant, Lott 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.**
8. **Seal bids**
  - a. **Green truck** – bid from JB Floyd in the amount of \$501; **Cox made the motion to accept, Woodard 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.**
  - b. **Garbage truck** – No bid was turned in. **Lott made the motion to get the truck running and advertise again, Geter 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.**

- c. **Singlewide trailer** – bid from Eddie Floyd in the amount of \$510; **Cox made the motion to accept, Woodard 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.**

### NEW BUSINESS

9. **Stacie Avery, CPA – 2020 Audit Contract** – Cox made motion to accept contract, Woodard 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.

10. **Cleveland Wilcox Resolution** – Lott made the motion to retire Alamo PD 2 in honor of Mr. Wilcox and to adopt the resolution to do so, Lewis 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.

11. **Housing Authority Resolution** – HUD is looking to merge Alamo and Glenwood Housing Authority. Glenwood tried to make it the Wheeler Co. Housing Authority, but HUD would not agree. Glenwood has agreed to accept and take on the Alamo Housing Authority, but if the City of Alamo does not agree then HUD could turn it over to another county. **Cox made a motion that since the city attorney is not in person, maybe table to topic until the attorney can talk to the council members and better explain what is going on, Woodard 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved. Sue Connor stated that the city of Alamo will not lose any funding due to the merge.**

12. **2021 Senior Parade** – Looking to make a senior parade a yearly event. **Geter made a motion to accept the date of Saturday, May 15 @ 9:00 am, Jones 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.**

13. **Part-time employee** – CM Floyd is requesting that since the grass cutting and weed eating season is picking up that the city hire another part time employee for at least 20/hrs. a week. **Jones made a motion to advertise and hire a part time employee for at least 20/hrs. a week, Lott 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.**

14. **Spring Cleanup (June 7-11)** – roll-off will be located at the shop and the citizens can drop off dispose of anything that will not go in the trash can. It can be just about anything but paint, liquid, tires, or anything explosive. Hours will be 8:30-5:30.

15. **City Manager Report** – report is attached.

16. **Fire Report** – report attached.

17. **Police Report** – Report attached. For the month of March, the PD answered approx. 378 calls and issued 10 citations.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

- **Sandra Brown** – just wanted to stress to everyone that if they would like to see the inside of the City Hall to see the clerks and they will show the troubling areas.
- **Kerry Williams** – just wanted to advise the council on the mentor program that will begin this summer and they are looking to do a car wash in May. Geter

made the motion for the mentor program to do the carwash, Woodard 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.

- Norris Sledge – asked about cutting the ditch in front of his house and what is considered the City ride away? Lewis responded that there are some ditches that are way more difficult than others. If the city took the time out to do the ditches it will be very time consuming, and the city does not have the manpower. Woodard responded that just because it is in the right of way does not mean the city has to do the upkeep. It would still land on the homeowner.

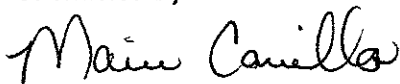
**EXECUTIVE SESSION (employee matters, litigations) – went into executive session 7:26 pm with Lott making the motion, Geter 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved. City Clerk, Marie Carrillo excused from meeting and Woodard would take minutes from Executive session.**

Following executive session, the following was voted:

- Woodard made the motion to hire Karen Zanders as the new Chief of Police at \$45,000/yr., take home vehicle and not to be held to the 5 days work week effective 4/21/21., Geter 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM with Geter making the motion, Lewis 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.

Submitted By:



Marie Carrillo, City Clerk

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