MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
PRAIRIE VIEW CITY COUNCIL
OF WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS
SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

Call to Order

Mayor Allen called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Certification of Quorum

Roll Call of Quorum was certified by Interim City Secretary Carl Jones. Council Members were: Jonathan Miller, Jonathon Randle, Marie Herndon, Wendy Williams, Paulette Barnett and City Attorney from Olson and Olson was in attendance.

Invocation

Pastor Thaddeus Singleton delivered the invocation.

Consent Agenda

The following items are considered routine in nature by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion and vote. There will not be separate discussion on these items unless requested by a Council Member, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered by separate action.

Consider the approval of the Meeting Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on August 22, 2016.
Motion was made by Council Member Herndon second by Council Member Randle to accept August 22, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Consider the approval of the Meeting Minutes of the Special City Council Meetings on September 7, 2016 and September 12, 2016.
Motion was made by Council Member Herndon second by Council Member Randle to accept September 7, 2016 and September 12, 2016 Special City Council Meeting Minutes.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Consider the approval of the Mayor's appointment of Shannon Smith to the office of Interim City Secretary.
Motion was made by Council Member Randle for item #7 to be removed from agenda (lengthy discussion). Motion made by Council Member Herndon died for lack of second.

Consider approval of the ratification of Mayor's appointment of Fredrick Alexander to the position of Interim Public Works Director and the associated month-to-month Professional Services Agreement for public works director services.
Motion was made by Council Member Herndon second by Council Member Randle to approve the ratification of Mayor's appointment of Frederick Alexander to the position of Interim Public Works Director and the associated month-to-month Professional Services Agreement for public works director services.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Consider the approval of the ratification of the Mayor's appointment of Silverio O. Melendez to the position of Field Technician.
Motion was made by Council Member Randle second by Council Member Herndon to approve ratification of the Mayor's appointment of Silverio O. Melendez to the position of Field Technician.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Consider the approval of the Mayor's appointment of Shelytha Alexander-Simmons to the office of Municipal Court Judge for a term of two years.
Motion was made by Council Member Herndon second by Council Member Randle to approve the Mayor's appointment of Shelytha Alexander-Simmons to the office of Municipal Court Judge for a term of two years.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Presentation and swearing-in ceremony of Municipal Court Judge.
Swearing-in of Municipal Court Judge Shelytha Alexander-Simmons was performed by Judge Morris Overstreet.

Executive Session – (Recess Regular Session and Convene Executive Session)

Personnel Matter as authorized by the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 to conduct interviews of final candidates and deliberate the appointment and employment of a Chief of Police.

Reconvene Regular Session

Discuss and consider approval of the Mayor's appointment to the Office of the Chief of Police.
Motion was made by Council Member Randle to table item #13 until council was able to review candidates second by Council Member Barnett.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Departmental Reports

Reports Were Submitted

Discuss and take possible action concerning the 4B Economic Development Corporation.
Ron Leverett addressed the Mayor and City Council stating none of the items listed were discussed with 4B. Ron Leverett asked legal opinion about the items listed.

Discuss status of resolving Wastewater Service Agreement rate dispute between City of Prairie View and Prairie View A&M University. (Mayor David Allen)

Discuss status of FEMA recovery efforts for April and May flood events including $12,000.00 reimbursement approval, $75,000.00 funding for Cameron Street Bridge Repair Project, and jurisdiction dispute relating to the bridge project. (Mayor David Allen)

Mayor and City Council Reports

Pursuant to Texas Government Code § 551.0415, City Council Members and City staff may make reports about items of community interest during a meeting of the governing body without having given notice of a report.

Mayor Allen – Written Report
Council Member Miller – No Report
Council Member Randle – No Report
Council Member Herndon – Written Report
Council Member Williams – No Report
Council Member Barnett – No Report

Regular Agenda

Conduct a public hearing on the City of Prairie View municipal budget for fiscal year 2016-2017.
No Comments were made on budget.

Consider an ordinance adopting the City of Prairie View municipal budget for fiscal year 2016-2017.
Motion was made by Council Member Herndon second by Council Member Randle to consider an ordinance adopting the City of Prairie View municipal budget for fiscal year 2016-2017.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

Consider an ordinance adopting the tax rate for the tax year 2016 and providing for the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes by the City of Prairie View.
Motion was made by Council Member Miller second by Council Member Randle to consider an ordinance adopting the tax rate for the tax year 2016 and providing for the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes by the City of Prairie View.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

New Business (Future Agenda Items)

The Mayor and City Council Members may request that certain items be scheduled for a future agenda. Requesting that items be placed on future agenda does not exclude other agenda items being added.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Council Member Randle second by Council Member Herndon to adjourn at 9:41 p.m.
Motion passed.

Council Member Miller	yes
Council Member Randle	yes
Council Member Herndon	yes
Council Member Williams	yes
Council Member Barnett	yes

S. Smith, Interim City Secretary