

Council Meeting Minutes

City of Mart

- I. Call to Order: Time 6:30 PM December 9, 2024

Location: The Babe Aycock Room at Mart City Hall
Street Address: 112 N Commerce St
City: Mart
State: Texas Zip: 76664

- II. ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Pro-Tem Trever Baize - Present
Council Member Odell Nevills - Present
Council Member Jason Tweedle - Absent
Council Member John Garrett - Present
Council Member Sandra Lynch - Present

- III. Prayer – Led by Council Member Nevills

- IV. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance

- V. Public Comments: One person spoke

1. Carolyn Range - spoke about how nice of a person Councilmember Tweedle is and that she appreciates him and all the help he has given her in the past.

- VI. Consent Agenda:

Councilmember Garrett motioned to approve both items A and B, Councilmember Lynch seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0

- VII. Monthly Department Reports:

No Administration update, Lisa Carroll spoke about Municipal Court (passing her Level 1 test), no public works update, Sgt Douglas gave an update on Police Dept, Raquel Blood gave an update on Finance Dept, Mayor Pro-Tem Baize gave a Fire Dept update, James Fulner gave an update on Emergency Management, Gil Gregory gave an Engineering update as well as a brief update on Plant Operations.

- VIII. Councilmember Garrett motioned to approve adopting the holiday schedule for the year 2025, adding three new holidays, Juneteenth, Columbus Day, and Veteran's Day, Councilmember Lynch seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0

- IX. Executive Session: Started at 6:55 PM

- X. Reconvene from executive session, 7:15 PM Mayor Pro-Tem Baize motioned to accept Judge Black's resignation, appoint Charlie Buenger as new Municipal Court Judge, and Adam Miles as our City Attorney/Prosecutor, Councilmember Garrett seconded, Councilmember Nevills in appreciation of Judge Black and his service to the city, Motion passed 4-0, Proceeded with swearing in Charlie Buenger as new Municipal Court Judge.

- XI. Council Member Lynch motioned to enter into MOU with OUR RESCUE, Mayor Pro-Tem Baize second. Passed 4-0

- XII. Councilmember Garrett motion to accept the estimate of \$37,514.70 for 60-month lease from AXON Enterprise for body worn cameras for Mart PD, Councilmember Lynch seconded, motion passed 4-0.
- XIII. Mayor Pro-Tem Baize motioned to approve buying one meter back at half price of the original price of the meter, Councilmember Lynch seconded, motioned passed 4-0.
- XIV. Councilmember Lynch motioned to approve City Administrator James to conduct the audit required by Article 59.06 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for asset forfeitures for the Mart Police Department, Councilmember Garrett seconded, motion passed 4-0.
- XV. Gil Gregory informed Council about a fine from TCEQ and what the City can do to as a SEP instead of paying the fine
- XVI. Tabled until further discussion
- XVII. Tabled until further discussion
- XVIII. Mayor Pro-Tem Baize informed Council that the City has received a check for damages, and now in process of looking for someone to do the repair work on the brick.
- XIX. Mayor Pro-Tem Baize asked Sgt Douglas if he could give an update, he gave a brief one of what he knew.
- XX. Not able to give an update at this time.
- XXI. Mayor Pro-Tem Baize motioned authorize City Administrator James to make purchases of automated external defibrillators (AED's) and fire extinguishers for City Hall, Public Works, and Police Department, not to exceed \$11,000.00, Councilmember Garrett seconded, motion passed 4-0.
- XXII. Mayor Pro-Tem Baize motioned to amend city policy to cover vacation and holiday time reflecting the 12-hour schedule of the Police Department employees, Councilmember Garrett seconded, motioned passed 4-0.
- XXIII. Councilmember comments:
Mayor Pro-Tem Thanked the audience for their patience and understanding for this meeting, he thanked City staff in decorating City Hall, Council Chambers and Police Dept. for Christmas. Councilmember Garrett spoke about Waste Connections again, Councilmember Nevills mentioned Mr. Summers issue with the street and needing to possibly get it on the agenda to resolve it.
- XXIV. Adjourn 7:46 pm

Minutes submitted by:  Print Name: Shane James

Approved by:  Print Name: Trevor Baize