CITY OF BLUE MOUND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021
301 S BLUE MOUND ROAD. PRE-COUNCIL WORKSESSION 6:30 REGULAR MEETING 7:00 P.M. OR IMMEDIATLEY FOLLOWING THE PRE-COUNCIL WORKSESSION

The City Council of the City of Blue Mound will hold a Regular City Council Meeting Tuesday, January 19, 2021 in the City Hall Council Chambers at 301 Blue Mound Road at 6:30 P.M. Up to the first thirty minutes of the meeting will be a public work session for staff briefing and Council discussion of agenda items listed below, with the following present:

Alan Hooks, Mayor
Margie Hooks, Councilmember Pl. 1
Fred Smith, Councilmember Pl. 2
Mary Smith, Councilmember Pl. 3
Linda Watson, Councilmember Pl. 4
Darlene Copeland, Councilmember Pl. 5
Staff
Cynthia Daniels – City Secretary
Chassidy Mead – Asst. City Secretary
Dee Brewer - Director Public Works
Dusty Steele - Chief of Police
Shawn Fannan - Chief of Fire Department

The City Council of the City of Blue Mound will hold a Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 in the City Hall Council Chambers, 301 S Blue Mound Road at Pre-Council 6:30 p.m. followed by Regular Meeting for the following agenda:

1. **CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / INVOCATION / ANNOUNCEMENTS - MAYOR HOOKS**

With a quorum of the Council Members present, Mayor Hooks called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance and invocation given by Mayor Hooks.

2. **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION (LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES – COMPLETE SPEAKERS REQUEST FORM AND SUBMIT TO CITY SECRETARY BEFORE START OF MEETING)**

Martha Boyles requested the City Council recognize a citizen for her efforts to give the senior citizens goodies and wreaths at Christmas. Mayor Hooks requested Ms. Boyles to contact the City Secretary with the name of the citizen to be recognized at the next City Council meeting.

3. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE NO. 560 APPOINTING CYNTHIA DANIELS AS CITY SECRETARY.

Council member Copeland made a motion duly seconded by Council member M. Hooks to approved Agenda item #3 as presented.
Upon vote taken, motion carried.

AYES:	(5) - Council Member Watson, M. Smith, F. Smith
NAYS:	(0)
ABSTAIN	(0)

4. Mayor to Administer Oath of Office to City Secretary Cynthia Daniels

Mayor Hooks administered the oath to Cynthia Daniels.

5. Executive Session: Convened at 6:57 p.m.

a) **Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, to receive legal advice from the City's attorney related to the following pending litigation:**

***Sagren "Kevin" Govender v. The City of Blue Mound*, Civil Action No. 4:20-cv-01249-P**

Executive Session closed at 7:23 pm. – NO ACTION TAKEN

6. Personal Appearance made by Kent Sharp, CPA to Present Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Kent Sharp personally appeared and was available for any questions. Council had none. Council member M. Smith made a motion to accept the 2019-2020 Audit report as presented. Motion seconded by Council member Watson. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES:	(5) - Council Member M. Hooks, F. Smith, Copeland
NAYS:	(0)
ABSENT:	(0)

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Personal Appearance made by Rusty Steele to Present Audit Report for Fiscal Year's 2019-2020.

Rusty Steele video conferenced in to give his report of the Court Audit report.

8. Personal Appearance made by Phil Ernest ID Shield/Legal Shield Voluntary Benefit Option Overview

Phil Ernest notified the City Secretary's office a few hours before the meeting that he was out of town and unable to attend this meeting and requested to approach council at the next meeting.

9. Discuss and Consider an Ordinance No. 561 Prohibit sellers of motor vehicles from leaving key in unattended vehicles.

Chief Dusty Steele presented to the council police footage of motor vehicles left unlocked and unattended with keys on the dashboards at the Carvana distribution lot. Footage also showed several motor vehicles being stolen from the distribution lot. Chief Steele mentioned that his department has received numerous calls reporting theft from this location and has not received cooperation from the property owner, Carvana to help resolve security issues. Mayor called for discussion. There being none, Mayor Hooks called for a motion. Council member M. Smith made a motion to approve agenda item #9 as presented. Council member Copeland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: (5) Council member – M. Hooks, F. Smith, Watson
NAYS: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

10. Discuss and Consider Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 46th Year program replacing water line on Blue Mound Road, Fagan Drive and Waggoman Road.

Director of Public Works, Dee Brewer stated to council that the city received a grant from Tarrant County for drainage improvements. Bids were conducted on behalf of the City by Halff Associates and opened on November 12, 2020. A total of seven (7) bids were received. Atkins Bros Equipment Company, Inc. met all the requirements and provided the lowest bid of $102,220.00. Staff recommended Council accept the bid and award it to Atkins Bros Equipment Company. Council member M. Smith made a motion to approved agenda item #10 as presented. Council Member Copeland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: (5) Council member – M. Hooks, F. Smith, Watson
NAYS: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

11. Discuss and Consider Resolution 21-01 Calling for a General Election to Elect the Offices of Mayor, City Council Place 1, Place 2, Place 3, Place 4 and Place 5; to be held on May 1st, 2021; Approving for a Joint Election Agreement with Tarrant County; Establishing Procedures for the Election; and Providing an Effective Date

Council member Watson made a motion to approve agenda item #11 as presented. Council member M. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: (5) – Council Member M. Hooks, F. Smith, Copeland
NAYS: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

12. Discuss and Consider COIVD 19 Report by Chief Fannan

Fire Chief Shawn Fannan gave a report to the council regarding the use of funds granted to the City from the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES ACT"). Council member M. Smith made a motion to accept the report as presented. Council member M. Hooks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: (5) – Council Member F. Smith, Watson, Copeland
NAYS: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Mary Smith made a motion to approve items in the Consent Agenda. Council member Darlene Copeland seconded the motion. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: (3) - Fred Smith,
NAYS: (1) – Linda Watson
ABSENT: (0)

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

1.Discuss and Consider Departmental Monthly Reports for November and December 2020

- **A. Police calls, arrests, and warrants totals**
- **B. Fire local and mutual aid calls and training totals**
- **C. Code Enforcement**
- **D. Municipal Court & ACO**
- **E. Community center, visitors, events, and activities totals**
- **F. Public Works**

2. Discuss and Consider Approval of November and December 2020 Accounts Payable

3. Discuss and Consider Approval of November 17th, 2020 Minutes

4. Discuss and Consider Approval of December 8, 2020 Minutes

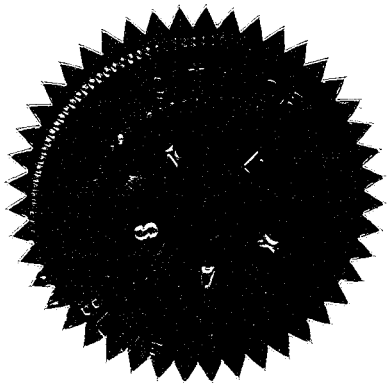
5. Adjourn

CITY OF BLUE MOUND

Alan Hooks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cynthia Daniels – City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, CYNTHIA DANIELS, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ABOVE IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 19, 2021 ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF BLUE MOUND CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING DULY CONVENED ON MARCH 16, 2021.