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**City of La Marque
Special Minutes
August 26, 2014**

Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Marque, Texas that was conducted on Monday, August 26, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at 1109-B Bayou Road for purpose of considering the following agenda:

(1) Mayor Hocking called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

(2) ROLL CALL

Mayor Hocking
Mayor Pro-Tem Bell (Absent –Excused)
Councilmember Lane
Councilmember Brown
Councilmember Trube

City Manager Buttler
City Attorney Ortego
City Clerk Eldridge

(3) INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor

(4) CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION

(5) Discussion/possible action regarding next phase of Streets Improvements Program
City Manager Carol Buttler reminded everyone that Councilmember Lane was not on City Council when this list was formed and that he may want to add to the discussion.

Councilmember Trube made a motion to approve Option #2 of the Streets Improvements Program. Councilmember Lane seconded the motion.

Councilmember Lane asked that if possible, he would like to include another street to the list. Garrett Street, by the Gulf Greyhound Dog Track is completely unpaved.

Mayor Hocking amended the motion, TO accepting option #2, and have the Engineer also look at Garrett Street to see if it coincides with what the City has budgeted for the Street Improvements Program. Councilmember Trube seconded. **AMENDED MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.** After taking the vote on the initial motion, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**



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City Manager reported that the first Dow pipeline in the area of Maxwell Street was laid and almost operational. They are planning to wait until next year on the second pipeline. She suggested that it be part of the bid packet and advise the engineers and contractors aware that the City Council may want to hold off, if it will interfere with Bayou Fest 2015.

It was the consensus of City Council to wait on the work on Maxwell Street, if it was going to interfere with Bayou Fest 2015.

(6) Discussion/possible action regarding recap of proposed budget requests.

Councilmember Trube had several questions some of them included wrecker permit fees amount not being reflected. It was determined to be that the money was collected. Close to \$2000 was collected, but it was incorrectly coded, and went into the system as a building permit fee. It was assured that this would be corrected. Concerning coin-operated machines, she asked if violation monies were received, and informed that the Police Department enforces this and keeps a record of the violators. There were a few other questions relating to Training and Travel, Maintenance and Equipment, Janitorial Services, operating supplies, adjustments in utility department, brush fees, radios, the donation from Dow Pipeline and a few other concerns, to which City Manager and Finance Director addressed.

Councilmember Trube made a motion to approve the recap of the proposed budget as presented. Councilmember Brown seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(7) Discussion/possible action to call a second Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget according to the City Charter, Section 6.06, 'Further consideration of budget' on proposed changes. The date of such Public Hearing shall be held on September 8, 2014

Councilmember Trube made a motion to approve the second Public Hearing date for proposed changes, as per City Charter, Section 6.06 for September 8, 2014. Councilmember Lane seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(8) **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Hocking offered condolences to the family in Councilmember Bell's church. He reiterated that Councilmember Bell is serving as the President of the Community Action Council and that their meeting met tonight at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmember Trube made a motion to adjourn at 6:41 p.m. Councilmember Lane seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**



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Bobby Hooking
Bobby Hooking, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robin Eldridge
Robin Eldridge, City Clerk