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## TOWN OF MARION REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING FEBRUARY 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024

The Town of Marion Board of Aldermen met on Tuesday, February 20th, 2024, 6:00 PM, @ the Marion Fire Station for their Regular Business Meeting. Members present were: Mayor Danny A. Smith, Aldermen Mark Andrews, Bubba Hoggatt & Channing Washington. Also, Police Chief Montral Ferguson, Assistant Clerk Cheryl Geoghagan & Public Works Director Jimmy Caldwell were present. Absent: Alderwoman Rhonda Davis. Mayor Smith called the meeting to order and Alderman Channing Washington gave the invocation and Alderman Bubba Hoggatt led the pledge of allegiance, Mayor Smith welcomed Robert Ray Taylor with the Union General Hospital Foundation.

Mayor Smith opened the floor for public comments. There being no comments, Mayor Smith closed the public comment session.

On motion by Alderman Hoggatt, seconded by Alderman Channing Washington to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Andrews, second by Alderman Hoggatt to approve January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Regular Business Meeting Minutes, February 5<sup>th</sup> & February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderman Hoggatt, second by Alderwoman Washington to approve Budget to Actual-Financial Reports. Motion carried.

On motion by Alderman Washington, second by Alderman Andrews to approve the Audit Engagement Letters from Maxwell CPA for the 2023 Financial Audit. Motion carried.

On motion by Alderman Andrews, second by Alderman Hoggatt to approve the Audit Questionnaire for 2023. Motion carried.

Mayor Smith & the council discussed purchasing some new trash cans for our residents. Item was tabled until Mayor Smith gets a price quote.

Two street lights reported out.

Chief Ferguson reported on repairs for one of the units. Our annual LGAP Grant will be used to help fund a new police unit.

Jimmy Caldwell reported this is a rating year for the fire department.

On motion by Alderman Hoggatt, second by Alderman Washington to approve paying bills. Motion carried.

Mayor Smith has already started promoting the Mayhaw Festival scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Marion Community Center.

Mayor Smith announced we will be entering the District V, Category B, Cleanest City Contest.

Town of Marion and the LA. Dept of Health co-sponsored a vaccination clinic on Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 @ the Marion Fire Station. Mayor Smith is planning on us having an annual vaccination clinic for our residents.

On motion by Alderman Andrews, second by Alderman Hoggatt to adjourn. Motion carried.

Danny A, Smith, Mayor

Johnnie Baker, Interim Ćlerk