

MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
May 5, 2020 5:15 PM VIA ZOOM

ROLL CALL VOTE FOR ALDERMAN:

MEMBERS PRESENT: HONORABLE RANDY BRUNDIGE, MAYOR
HONORABLE DANNY NANNEY, ALDERMAN WARD I
HONORABLE SCOTT ROBBINS, ALDERMAN WARD I
HONORABLE DAVID BELOTE, ALDERMAN WARD II
HONORABLE MARVIN FLATT, ALDERMAN WARD II
HONORABLE TERRY HANKINS, ALDERMAN WARD III
HONORABLE RANDY EDWARDS, ALDERMAN WARD III

ABSENT: NONE

Also present: Police Chief Don Teal, Fire Chief Jamie Summers, City Recorder Kelly Wilson, Building Inspector Mike Brundige, Public Works Director Marty Ables, Community Development Director Brad Thompson, Human Resources Director Debbie Yeager, Library Director Roberta Peacock, and members of the media, David Fischer, and Steve James

ZOOM MEETING MESSAGE:

MEETING ELECTRONICALLY IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH SAFETY AND WELFARE IN THE LIGHT OF COVID-19 AND THE GOVERNING BODY INCLUDES THIS DETERMINATION IN THE MINUTES.

Alderman Nanney made the motion to approve this determination in the minutes, seconded by Alderman Robbins.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any more questions. There were none. A roll call vote was requested.

FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
HONORABLE ROBBINS
HONORABLE BELOTE
HONORABLE FLATT
HONORABLE HANKINS
HONORABLE EDWARDS

AGAINST: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brundige called the Tuesday, May 5, 2020 regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 13, 2020

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the minutes of the April 13, 2020 regular meeting as written and asked if there were any additions or deletions.

There were none. Therefore, a motion was requested and follows:

Alderman Flatt made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2020 regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen as written, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any more questions. There were none. A roll call vote was requested.

FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE ROBBINS HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE FLATT HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS
AGAINST:	NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mayor Brundige announced that the reports were included and asked department heads if they had anything to add other than their reports.

Mayor Brundige reported that at the wastewater plant, a transfer switch has gone out. We have already set up for someone to come look at it. This is what kicks on our generator when electric goes out. It will be necessary to have this replaced because it is essential to operations.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

CALL FOR CITY ELECTION: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020.

Mayor Brundige announced that there are three aldermen up for reelection. One from each ward.

Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to call for city election on November 3, 2020.

Alderman Nanney made the motion. Alderman Flatt seconded the motion.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any more questions. There were none. A roll call vote was requested.

FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE ROBBINS HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE FLATT HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS
AGAINST:	NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

COVID-19 UPDATES

Mayor Brundige announced that retail businesses opened this week, bowling alleys, putt putt golf, and other entertainment venues are to open this next week along with dentist offices. Hair salons will reopen tomorrow with guidelines. Half capacity is also allowed for dine in at restaurants. Bars are still not opened.

This pandemic has impacted our city budget. We lost approximately 7,000 people when the university closed. That is the estimate of the students at the college and they are no longer living here and spending money in our city. We will not know the extent of the loss for a few weeks because sales tax revenue from the state lags a month or so. We are working on putting together a budget. This has been the harder budget that I have ever had to put together. We are waiting to see if we will get any federal relief. We will try to have a budget to present by the end of the month.

Mayor Brundige announced that our Library and Sidewalk projects were still going along. Construction work will be given new and more guidelines from the governor on Friday.

In order to follow social distancing guidelines, Chief Teal has measured out court room and we can have 16 people in the courtroom if we need to meet there. Hopefully, the governor will extend Zoom meetings and we can keep meeting electronically.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any questions from the board members.

Alderman Belote asked what the storm assessment will be.

Mayor Brundige replied we do not have a dollar amount yet. Some may know it took down a huge tree beside of the library and broke power lines and poles. Downtown did not have power until around noon of yesterday. There are some city residents still without power but to hopefully get that restored tomorrow. I know that some in the city and county are still without power also. The electric company had their workers out working and so did we on Sunday. We have had some gas lines break but those are in the process of being fixed. The power at the Library construction site is still out. They may have to have temporary electric. We had 70-80-mile straight line winds. We have had some flooding issues as well due to the amount of rain. Republic was already behind with people being at home more and cleaning and now they must pick up from the storm. They are working everyday to try to get everything cleaned up, but it is going to take some time. They too are having to conform to the challenging times that we are in.

DATE FOR NEXT CITY BOARD MEETING

Next Formal City Board Meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2020 at 5:15 p.m. and will be conducted by Zoom Meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Brundige commented be safe and keep social distancing.

ADJOURN

Mayor Brundige asked – Is there any other business?

Alderman Nanney made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Flatt.

FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE ROBBINS HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE FLATT HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS
AGAINST:	NONE

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Kelly Wilson
City Recorder

Randy Brundige
Mayor

RB: KW