

Minutes of a called meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Marion, Virginia held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on January 9, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor David Helms, Vice-Mayor Dr. Jim Gates (arrived late), Jim Barker, Suzanne Jennings, Tricia Spencer, Bill Weaver, and Avery Cornett Council Members; Town Manager Bill Rush, Director of Human Resources/Deputy Clerk Samantha White, County Administrator Shawn Utt; Interviewers Chief Billy Hanks, Chief Mike Armstrong, and Director Steve Simon.

ABSENT: Larry Carter.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Mr. Rush rendered the invocation. Mayor David Helms led the Pledge to the Flag.

CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Code of Virginia, as amended, Section 2.2-3711 (A-1), upon motion of Mrs. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Weaver and vote of 5 AYES and 0 NOES, Town Council entered into Closed Session for discussion of Personnel. Mrs. Jennings moved that Town Council return to Open Session and identified it be known that only those matters legally exempted from Open Session and identified in the motion were discussed during Closed Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weaver and carried by a vote of 5 AYES and 0 NOES. The Deputy Clerk polled the Council Members. Messrs Jennings, Barker, Spencer, Weaver, and Cornett voted affirmatively.

(Dr. Gates arrived.)

Pursuant to Code of Virginia, as amended, Section 2.2-3711 (A-1), upon motion of Mrs. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Weaver and vote of 6 AYES and 0 NOES, Town Council entered into Closed Session for discussion of Personnel. Mrs. Jennings moved that Town Council return to Open Session and identified it be known that only those matters legally exempted from Open Session and identified in the motion were discussed during Closed Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weaver and carried by a vote of 6 AYES and 0 NOES. The Deputy Clerk polled the Council Members. Messrs Gates, Jennings, Barker, Spencer, Weaver, and Cornett voted affirmatively.

Upon motion of Mr. Weaver, seconded by Ms. Spencer and a vote of 6 AYES and 0 NOES, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor

Deputy Clerk