



**CITY COUNCIL**  
**City of McLendon-Chisholm, Texas**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**June 13, 2018**

The City Council of the City of McLendon-Chisholm convened in Special Session on Tuesday, June 13, 2018, at City Hall, 1371 West FM 550, McLendon-Chisholm, Texas, with the following members present:

Keith Short	Mayor
Adrienne Balkum	Council Member
Herman Larkin	Council Member
Scott Turnbull	Mayor Pro Tem
Jim Bloom	Council Member
James Herren	Council Member

Staff Present:	David Butler	City Administrator
	Lisa Palomba	City Secretary
	Jim Simmons	Fire Chief

1. Mayor Short called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Council Member Herren delivered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

**3. Resolution No. 2018-22 Regarding Agreement with McLendon-Chisholm Volunteer Fire Department.** Mayor Pro Tem Turnbull addressed the item commenting that on June 5, 2018, Council approved authorizing Chief Simmons to negotiate an Interim Public Safety Plan with monthly payments. The contract negotiated and signed by Chief Simmons and Chief Murphy includes a lump sum payment amount. Other than the one sentence, the contract is otherwise okay. This is the reason for the meeting. Turnbull continued, the City Attorney advised this one section regarding the lump sum payment is invalid but the remaining portions of the contract are enforceable with monthly payments to include \$16,000 due on June 16 and the three remaining monthly payments to be made on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. Another option is to ratify the contract as signed.

Discussion was held among Council Members. Bloom indicated it is in the best interest to move forward with the agreement as presented. Larkin indicated negotiations between Chief Simmons and Chief Murphy were positive and in keeping with that spirit, he is in favor of moving forward ratifying the agreement as presented. Only minimal interest would be lost by paying in one lump sum. Herren indicated he is torn as the original agreement was to pay monthly. However, it is better to move forward as presented. Balkum doesn't agree with the amount of money but indicated the City needs time to start the City owned fire department so she will vote with the majority. Turnbull commented that it is foolish to believe this will be by the City good will with MCVFD. However, if it provides Simmons good will with MCVFD in future negotiations, he will agree to ratify the agreement. Simmons provided some final comments regarding negotiation efforts with Chief Murphy.

**Turnbull, seconded by Larkin, moved to Approve Resolution No. 2018-22 ratifying and approving an agreement with McLendon-Chisholm Volunteer fire Department for fire protection and prevention services. A vote was cast and the motion carried with 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

4. Mayor Pro Tem Turnbull, seconded by Larkin, moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

  
Lisa Palomba, City Secretary

  
Keith Short, Mayor

