

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting was held on December 12, 2022, at the Garrison City Hall. Members present were Mayor Keith Yarbrough, Arnie Kelley, Darrell Lunsford, Travis Simon, and Tim Wright. Hope Hallmark arrived at 5:07 P.M. Others present were Tim Barton, Pat Oates, Ramon Stripling, Ann Swift Long and husband, Jack Brown, Myke Chandler, and Jenny Frederick.

Mayor Keith Yarbrough called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Jack Brown led in prayer.

There were no public comments.

A representative from the VFD was not present to give the VFD report.

Tim Barton presented the police report. There were 13 calls for service, 32 citations written, 12 warnings issued, 254 miles driven for a total of \$278.73. Tim will be on vacation the week of Christmas and will have coverage while he is off.

Myke Chandler gave the Municipal Court report. The court made a total of \$ 10,079.00 of which \$5,920.84 will be retained by the city and \$4,158.16 will be remitted to the state.

Ramon Stripling discussed with the city council regarding a water leak off the main water line that shifted his house foundation. The house is pier and beam, and the line has been leaking a long time. Mr. Stripling is going to file on his home insurance, but if they do not pay, he would like the city to pay for the foundation leveling. Discussion ensued. Mr. Stripling is going to file with his insurance, then bring the issue back to the council.

Pat Oates from Goodwin Lasiter Strong discussed with the council the need for a sewer plant. Pat also discussed the plan and layout of the new sewer plant should the city get financing and go forward with the Texas Water Development Board. Pat informed the council that the sewer plant would not last another 5 years in his opinion. Discussion ensued.

Ann Swift Long discussed with the council putting in another water tap at her residence since she would like to build a new house. There are only 4-5 houses on the 2-inch line. Discussion ensued. Arnie Kelley moved to approve the water tap for Ann Swift Long. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

The council discussed and considered adopting a resolution authorizing application for financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board for sewer system improvements and making certain findings in connection therewith. Arnie Kelley is in favor of building a new sewer plant but thinks the public needs to be informed. Darrell Lunsford thinks the city is going about the process backwards. Travis Simon thinks we need to have "all our ducks in a row" first. More discussion ensued. Hope Hallmark made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing application for financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board for sewer system improvements and making certain findings in connection therewith. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Jenny Frederick presented to the council Tina Walker's water bill. Mrs. Walker had service turned on while working on her house. She still currently lives elsewhere. She never had her water turned off, but she had no usage. Jenny explained to her that she had a minimum bill whether she had any usage or not. She did not think it was fair and did not owe the bill. Her bill is currently \$1238.66. Discussion ensued. Arnie Kelley made a motion for Tina Walker to pay 50% of the gas and water bill plus a reconnect fee on both meters. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Mayor Yarbrough informed the council that he had met with Travis Clardy's office and discussed the topics that were discussed in the meeting.

Jenny Frederick discussed with the council reimbursing Debbie Stewart for sewage backup. Sewer had overflowed multiple times in her back yard before the collapsed main sewer line was replaced. Some damage occurred under her house. Debbie's home insurance paid for the issue, but she is responsible for the deductible. Discussion ensued. Arnie Kelley made a motion to explore the option for the city's insurance to reimburse for Mrs. Stewart's sewage backup. Travis Simon seconded. All voted yea.

Darrell Lunsford left the meeting at 8:06 P.M.

The council adjourned to close session to discuss Javon Griffith's 90-day probationary period completion and pay increase per Texas Government Code 551.074 at 8:06 P.M.

Council reconvened from close session at 8:09 P.M.


Arnie Kelley made a motion to remove Javon Griffith from probationary status and increase his salary by \$1.00. Travis Simon seconded. All voted yea.

Jack Brown gave the Superintendent's report. He gave the council a handout of the activities that has been completed for the month, and where the problem areas are located. Water leaks have been repaired on Patterson Road and Brush Prairie Road. A gasket for the booster motor at plant 2 has been received, and install is being scheduled. TCEQ authorized an altitude level gauge can be installed on ground storage tanks that have damaged exterior flags. Jack is working on completing alleged violations with TCEQ. A 2-inch waterline running under Ramon Stripling's house was bypassed and fixed. Lift station number 1 needs a new motor and lift station number 3 needs a new starter. Jack is working on completing alleged violations after the TCEQ inspection of the wastewater system. The city received a temporary easement for manhole on Debbie Stewart's property and a temporary easement for a manhole on Kevin Bradford's property. The city will need to complete official easement paperwork. The sewer line behind Debbie Stewart's house collapsed and was replaced via pipe bursting. TCEQ requested updates for Sanitary Sewer Overflow Plan. Responses have been sent off for alleged RRC violations.

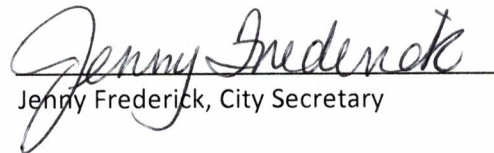
Jenny Frederick presented the secretary's report. The monthly Sales Tax Report was given, a printout of current account balances was provided, and Jenny will be off the week after Christmas. Due to Jenny being sick, minutes from the previous meetings were not on the agenda for approval, and reconciliations were not done yet. These items will be on the next agenda for approval.

Jenny Frederick presented the monthly bills for approval. Travis Simon made a motion to pay the bills. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Travis Simon made a motion to adjourn. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.



Keith Yarbrough, Mayor



Jenny Frederick, City Secretary