

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting was held on January 9, 2023, at the Garrison City Hall. Members present were Mayor Keith Yarbrough, Arnie Kelley, Darrell Lunsford, Travis Simon, Hope Hallmark, and Tim Wright. Others present were Tim Barton, Jack Brown, Herbert Hancock, Myke Chandler, Parker Harrison from Grant Works, 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.

Jenny Frederick submitted the minutes from November 14, 2022, November 17, 2022, November 28, 2022, December 6, 2022, and December 12, 2022, for approval. Travis Simon made a motion to accept the minutes from November 14, 2022, as written. Tim Wright seconded. Hope Hallmark abstained from voting. All voted yea. Darrell Lunsford made a motion to approve the minutes from November 17, 2022, as written. Travis Simon seconded. Hope Hallmark and Tim Wright abstained from voting. All voted yea. Hope Hallmark made a motion to approve the minutes from November 28, 2022, as written. Tim Wright seconded. Darrell Lunsford abstained from voting. All voted yea. Tim Wright made a motion to approve the minutes from December 6, 2022, and December 12, 2022, as written. Travis Simon seconded. All voted yea.

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

Tim Barton presented the police report. There were 17 calls for service, 39 citations written, 24 warnings issued, 2 crashes during the month, and 528 miles driven for \$252.62.

Tim Barton also presented the 2022 Racial Profile Report. The report has been submitted to the state, and the City of Garrison is in good standing since there have not been any complaints. Tim Wright made a motion to accept the report as presented. Hope Hallmark seconded. All voted yea.

Myke Chandler gave the Municipal Court report. The court made a total of \$ 10,844.90 of which \$ 6,542.90 will be retained by the city and \$ 4,302.00 will be remitted to the state.

Jack Brown discussed with the council Ramon Stripling's house foundation shift. Mr. Stripling's insurance claim was denied through his homeowners' insurance. Discussion ensued. Mr. Hancock needs to check with our insurance carrier before a decision can be made.

Parker Harrison explained the resolutions for the Texas Community Development Block Grant program. Discussion ensued with the council. Hope Hallmark made a motion to adopt a resolution to designate authorized signatories for the Texas Community Development Block Grant program. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Hope Hallmark made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of the Texas Community Development Block Grant program application and adopting required CDBG Civil Rights/Fair Housing policies. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

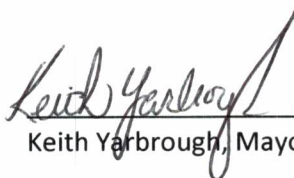
Jenny Frederick discussed copy machine rental contract with the council. The current contract with Texas Document Solutions will be terminated this month, and a new contract will need to be signed to continue using the copy machine. A new copy machine will also need to be decided on. Jenny presented 3 different options in the same price range that is currently being paid monthly, and the contracts are for 5-year terms. Discussion ensued. Arnie Kelley recommends a new machine. Hope Hallmark made a motion to approve a rental contract for the Sharp BP50 for \$97.46 per month. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Jack Brown presented 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 the Foshee property on Hwy 95, East Magnolia, and a 2-inch main water line beside Greg Gates. Dead meter heads have been sent off for warranty replacement. A Public Notice was sent out to customers informing them that a repair on the water system was not completed and reported within TCEQ's timeframe. Complaints of low water pressure on the main water line at the Ball Park are increasing. Jack worked with Goodwin Lasiter Strong, TWDB, and US Capitol to get the TWDB grant application completed and submitted. Items that had to be completed and complied are: A Drought Contingency Plan, Water Use Surveys, Water Loss Audits from 2017 to current, and volume categories and daily peak usages. TCEQ is requesting updates for the SEP. Jack filed for an extension to get aerators completed and in the ponds. The BOD and E. coli levels are high. Jack is working with Mr. Hancock to get proper easements from Debbie Stewart and Kevin Bradford for the sewer line and manhole. TCEQ requested an update on the progress of our SSO. Jack sent an update and must complete a detailed assessment by the end of January. Jack has also met with Pat Oates to discuss the Greenwood sewer project. There is an issue with the motor on Bluebonnet's lift station. The west motor will need to be replaced. During the freeze the city had five lift station centrifugal pumps freeze causing irreparable damage. Communication with Tara at Nacogdoches County was continuous on trying to come up solutions and help to the freeze problems. Paperwork was file with TCEQ due to unauthorized discharges. There is also still no insurance coverage on the sewer. Reliable Wastewater was called to assist in pumping lift stations until new pumps could be acquired and installed. All offices were closed until after the holidays, but 2 pumps could be sent immediately once the offices reopened. The other 3 pumps were 2-3 weeks out. The pumps cost approximately \$8700 each. There is a gas leak on FM 138 that cannot be located. The heater at City Hall also quit working, and a service technician had to be called.

Jenny Frederick presented the secretary's report. The monthly Sales Tax Report was not available yet, a printout of current account balances was provided, and account reconciliations were provided to review. Spirit of Life Church asked for a reprieve on their water bill. The church has a leak that was not immediately noticed and cannot afford a \$600 utility bill. Discussion ensued. The council offered to let the Spirit of Life have a payment plan for the balance to be paid over 6 months.

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

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



Keith Yarbrough, Mayor



Jenny Frederick, City Secretary