

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting was held on October 10, 2023, at the Garrison City Hall. Members present were Mayor Keith Yarbrough, Darrell Lunsford, Tim Wright, Hope Hallmark, and Travis Simon. Arnie Kelley was absent. Others present were Jack Brown, Myke Chandler, Tim Barton and Candace, Ricky Colle, Andrew with Daily Sentinel, Herbert Hancock, Ben Rosenberg, Deep South Representatives, and Jenny Frederick.

Mayor Yarbrough called the meeting to order at 5:07 P.M.

Jack Brown led in prayer.

There were no public comments.

Jenny Frederick presented the minutes from September 11, 2023, and September 18, 2023, for approval. Darrell Lunsford made a motion to approve the minutes from September 11, 2023, and September 18, 2023. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Ricky Colle gave the VFD report. There were 25 calls, 8 calls for service, 5 structure fires, 5 MVA's, 10 grass fires, and the haunted house has been busy.

Tim Barton presented the police report. There were 26 calls for service, 114 stops, 77 citations written, 37 warnings issued, 4 arrests were made, 6 agency assists, 2 animal complaints, and 1 MVA. Tim and Micah will attend a mandatory legislative update on October 20th. Tim will be splitting his hours during the week to work at the haunted house. There are marks at the intersection of Hwy 59 and FM 95 to help reduce crashes.

Myke Chandler presented the Municipal Court report. The court made a total of \$6,510; the city will keep \$4,041.34 and \$2,468.66 will be remitted to the state.

The council discussed the updated Water Conservation Plan from GLS. Darrell Lunsford made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Adopt the Water Conservation Plan. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

The council discussed the Principal Forgiveness Agreement with the Texas Water Development Board with Ben Rosenberg. Hope Hallmark made a motion to adopt the Resolution Approving the Execution and Delivery of A Principal Forgiveness Agreement With the Texas Water Development Board in the Amount of \$681,000; and Resolving Other Matters Relating To The Subject. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Hope Hallmark made a motion to adopt a Resolution Authorizing and Directing Establishment of Construction Account with Depository Bank Pursuant To Principal Forgiveness Agreement; Appointing Authorized Signatories With Respect To Such Account; And Resolving Other Matters Relating To The Subject. Tim wright seconded. All voted yea.

Council discussed the Escrow Agreement. BOKF's agreement was no charge for the escrow account. Hope Hallmark made a motion to accept BOKF's escrow agreement. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Darrell Lunsford made a motion to adopt Resolution 10-06-2023 Awarding contracts to vendors for the delivery of emergency vehicles and equipment through CDBG FAST Grant CFA22-0087 as funded by the Texas Department of Agriculture; and authorize the mayor to execute all documents related thereto on behalf of the City of Garrison. Travis Simon seconded. All voted yea.

Hope Hallmark made a motion to award \$524,530 to Deep South Fire Trucks for a 2000-gallon Pumper Truck. Travis Simon seconded. All voted yea.

Hope Hallmark made a motion to award \$115,220 to Metro Fire Apparatus Specialist, Inc for twelve Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Hope Hallmark made a motion to award \$77390 to Casco Industries, Inc for one Bauer Cascade System Trailer. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.

Herbert Hancock discussed with the council the meaning of the MOU between the city and the Park Group. The project belongs to the city, and our insurance will cover the park. MOU Agreement will be tabled until the next meeting.

Tim Barton discussed with council that the Police Department has verbally been accepted to be awarded the grant for a vehicle and the grant is in the final stages and should be funded by the 18th. After much discussion, the council told Tim to wait until we get official notification to order the car.

Jenny Frederick discussed with the council allowing the employees to buy out unused vacation time. Multiple policies from other cities were provided. Hope Hallmark made a motion to allow employees to buy out vacation time with 3 council members' approval at any time. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea. Tim Wright made a motion to allow Tim Barton to buy out 40 hours of vacation. Travis Simon seconded. All voted yea.

The council adjourned to closed session to discuss hiring maintenance employee for the City of Garrison per Texas Government Code 551.074 at 6:37 P.M.

Council reconvened from closed session at 7:01 P.M.

Hope Hallmark made a motion to rehire Javon Griffith at \$15 per hour with no probation. Tim Wright seconded. All voted yea.


Jack Brown provided the council with a handout with his Superintendent report. Water leaks have been repaired at CJ Beard's house, well site #3, and Fern St. Carter Tucker is working on a solution for the leaking packing on Booster pump at Booster Station #2. Documentation was uploaded to TCEQ for past violations. The second pump at Woodland Oaks lift station is operational, a wiring issue needs to be isolated and repaired. The bolts on the pulley at lift station #2 have been replaced. Duckweeds at the sewer plant have been sprayed with authorized chemicals. A new flapper valve has been ordered to repair the lift station at Hartt St. A gas leak at Bob Barton's has been repaired.

The second round of gas meter replacements has begun. Updates have been made to the DIMP plan. Two violations were given from the RRC but should be resolved with the updated plan. The backhoe will drive in reverse, but not drive forward. Bobby King will get a technician to diagnose the issue.

Jenny Frederick presented the Secretary's report. The sales tax report was not currently available. A snapshot of all account balances was provided for a total of \$822,174.97, along with all account bank statements. The billing register and adjustments for utilities were provided.

Jenny Frederick presented the 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. Darrell Lunsford seconded. All voted yea.



Keith Yarbrough, Mayor



Jenny Frederick, City Secretary