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Council
Kitley Wasicek
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Special Session City Council Meeting Minutes – March 1, 2018

I. The City Council met in Special Session with Mayor Andrew Garza calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call by City Secretary Debra L. Myers.

Council Present: Mayor Andrew Garza, Council Members Kitley Wasicek, Jearl Rannefeld, Patricia Clifton, and Rindle Wilson.

Staff Present: Georgia A. Vines, Debra L. Myers, Tito Medina, and Jason Lee.

Attorney Present: Carlos Valdez

Guest Present: See Sign-in Sheet

III. Council Member Rindle Wilson gave the Invocation.

IV. Debra Myers led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

V. Debra Myers led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION. In accordance with Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (Personnel Matters), the City Council may go into executive session to discuss the following:

Deliberation on the employment, resignation, salary, benefits, and severance of the Police Chief, Suzanne Martin.

Council Member Kitley Wasicek made a motion to move as read, Council Member Pat Clifton seconded the motion. All in favor and the Council went into executive session at 7:02 p.m.

2. Reconvene in Open Session.

Mayor Andrew Garza entertained a motion to reconvene. Mayor Pro-Tem Jearl Rannefeld made a motion to reconvene, Council Member Pat Clifton seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion

carried and the Council reconvened at 8:17 p.m.

3. Consideration and Action to accept the resignation of Police Chief Suzanne Martin, effective March 14, 2018 and to approve a severance agreement in conjunction with said resignation.

Council Member Pat Clifton made a motion to move as read, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Jearl Rannefeld. Georgia Vines, City Manager, asked Carlos Valdez, City Attorney, to write an agreement for two months of severance pay and two-months health care. The resignation will be effective March 14, 2018. She is on Administrative Leave effective today, March 1, 2018. Council Member Kitley Wasicek moved to amend Agenda Item #3 after conjunction with said resignation as follows: She will not file unemployment and will not disparage the City of George West as a mutual agreement. Council Member Kitley Wasicek made a motion to amend Agenda Item #3, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem to read: Consideration and Action to accept the resignation of Police Chief Suzanne Martin, effective March 14, 2018 and to approve a severance agreement in conjunction with said resignation as follows: resignation will be effective March 14, 2018, paid administrative leave will begin effective today, March 1, 2018. A severance package will be prepared by the City Manager in conjunction with the City Attorney with the following conditions as follows: she will not file unemployment agreement and will not disparage the City of George West as a mutual agreement. Mayor Andrew Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Amendment carried. Mayor Andrew Garza called for a vote on the amended Agenda Item #3. All in favor. Motion carried.

BUSINESS:

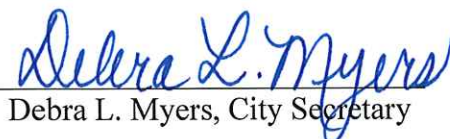
4. Consideration and Action to appoint an Interim Police Chief to the George West Police Department.

5. Council Member Kitley Wasicek made a motion to move as read, Council Member Pat Clifton seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. Georgia Vines, City Manager, recommended that Jason Lee be our Interim Police Chief. Mr. Lee was asked by Mrs. Vines if he would accept the position and he said yes. Mayor Garza entertained a motion to amend Agenda Item #4 to read: Consideration and Action to appoint Jason Lee as Interim Police Chief to the George West Police Department. A motion was made by Council Member Rindle Wilson, seconded by Council Member Pat Clifton. All in favor. Amendment carried. A vote was called by Mayor Garza on amended Agenda Item #4. All in favor. Motion carried.

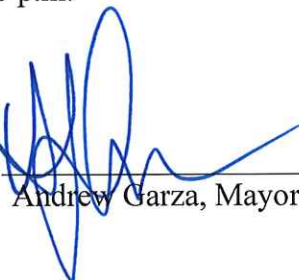
The Oath of Office was given to Jason Lee by Mayor Andrew Garza.

5. Mayor Andrew Garza adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST:


Debra L. Myers, City Secretary

SIGNED:


Andrew Garza, Mayor

