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REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES- October 21, 2019

I. The City Council met in Regular Session with Mayor Andrew Garza, calling the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call by City Secretary D'Ann Lane.

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

Council Absent: None

Staff Present: Shirley Holm, D'Ann Lane, Haley Maywald, Pete Pena, and Chief David Perkins

Attorney Present: Epi Ysassi

Guests Present: See Sign-In Sheet

III. Rindle Wilson, gave the invocation.

IV. City Secretary D'Ann Lane, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

V. City Secretary D'Ann Lane, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Texas.

VI. Public Comments

Public comments were made by Sandra Amoles, she was concerned with trash pickup they keep missing her street. There have been several leaks in the streets, they need to be repaved. Charles Street, is a major concern, the holes are getting bigger.

VII. Announcements and Correspondence

- a) Trunk-R-Treat October 31, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.
- b) Bulky Waste Clean-Sweep of City of George West, on October 28, 2019 at

7:00 a.m.

Mayor Garza, announced Trunk-R-Treat at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Garza, announced the Bulky Waste Clean Sweep. Kristian Santos, gave the council a list of what will be picked up and what is not allowed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Consideration and Action** to change the time of the November City Council Regular Session Meeting to 6:30 p.m.
2. **Consideration and Action** to approve road closures for the Super Hero 5K/1 mile run/walk November 16, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.
3. **Consideration and Action** to approve Live Oak County VFW Post 6119 Auxiliary, to have a Bake Sale in City Parking Lot November 2, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
4. **Consideration and Action** to approve the following minutes:
 - a) **Regular Session City Council Meeting Minutes 7-18-2019.**
 - b) **Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes 7-18-2019.**
 - c) **Regular Session City Council Meeting Minutes 8-15-2019.**
 - d) **Special Session City Council Meeting Minutes 9-5-2019.**
 - e) **Regular Session City Council Meeting Minutes 9-19-2019.**

Move as read by Kitley Wasicek, seconded by Patricia Clifton. Open for discussion. Mayor asked if anything needed to be pulled. Nothing was pulled. Consent agenda passed.

DISCUSSION:

5. **Discuss the rate changes requested by Republic Services for CPI annual rate increase.**

Discussion by Kristian Santos, price increase was due June 1, 2019. Republic, put it on a pause until they converted to front load trucks. They decided not to have the price increase on the commercial side due to that delay. The increase to the residential trash bins will be about .90 it is currently \$20.48 and went up to \$21.30. Business rates will not go up this year. During the pickup they will report to City Hall, if they cannot pickup the bulk garbage for any reason.

ORDINANCES:

6. **Consideration and Action** to approve the First Reading of Ordinance **No. 869**, AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 826 OF THE CITY OF GEORGE WEST, TEXAS PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF CITY PERSONNEL POLICIES SECTION IV (EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND COMPENSATION, SUBSECTION J

COMPENSATION PLAN).

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld, seconded by Kitley Wasicek. Open for discussion. Chief Perkins, informed the council that this Ordinance was needed for the Border Star Grant. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. First reading Passes.

RESOLUTIONS:

7. **Consideration and Action** to adopt Resolution **No. 2019-06**, approving submission of the Operation Stone Garden FY-18 grant application for the Homeland Security Grant Program to the Office of the Governor.

Move as read by Kitley Wasicek, seconded by Patricia Clifton. Open for discussion. Chief Perkins, gave the council an update on what this grant is. The United States Border Patrol, reached out to the Police Department and asked them if they were interested in the grant. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

BUSINESS:

8. **Consideration and Action** to approve the purchase of 1 Dell Power Edge Server with 3 year pro support and installation from Absolute Communications in the amount of \$6,184.00

Move as read by Kitley Wasicek, seconded by Patricia Clifton. Open for discussion. Shirley Holm, gave the council an update that our server is outdated. If we needed new parts there are no parts to purchase since our system is so outdated. Mrs. Holm, checked on other pricing, but it is all the same. This server is the newest model so it should last another five to six year. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

9. **Consideration and Action** to approve payment of \$4,500.00 to the Railroad Commission of Texas, Oversight and Safety Division, as payment for administrative penalties assessed in Damage Prevention Docket No. 063771.

Move as read by Kitley Wasicek, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Open for discussion. Shirley Holm, updated the council on why the city had administrative penalties. The City is currently trying to find a solution, to the unmarked mains. The employees at Public Works, mark what is known. Shirley, spoke to someone from the Railroad Commission and stated they would only penalize the city \$2,500.00, because they are trying to resolve the issue. In 2016, they had started marking all the lines for water and gas. They plotted everything out, but never finished marking all the lines. We paid over \$100,000.00 to this company and they did not finish the job. We owe the company about \$8-\$9000 and they would not give us any other information.

Mayor Garza, entertained a motion to amend agenda item #9 by striking \$4,500 and replacing it with \$2,500. Move as read by Kitley Wasicek, seconded by Patricia Clifton. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Amendment carried.

Amended agenda item #9 Consideration and Action to approve payment of \$2,500.00 to the Railroad Commission of Texas, Oversight and Safety Division, as payment for administrative penalties assessed in Damage Prevention Docket No. 063771. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

- 10. Consideration and Action** to approve an Internal Control Policy complying with GASB Statement No. 68, requiring the City to determine employee's census information, populated by TMRS into the retirement system, has been recorded accurately as well as ensuring the accuracy of the pension liability estimate.

Move as read by Patricia Clifton, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Open for discussion. Shirley Holm, explained to the council that we always get deducted for this on the audit. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

- 11. Consideration and Action** to approve the purchase of a central air and heating unit for the City of George West Fire Department.

Move as read by Kitley Wasicek, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Open for discussion. Shirley, informed the council on the current bids. We have a bid from Martinez Air Conditioning, and Grifco. They went over each bid and what each bid includes with labor, and parts. Mayor Garza, entertained a motion to amend agenda item #11 by adding at the end from Martinez AC and Heating Inc., as described on the quote for the American Standard unit for \$6016.25, labor and duct work \$2700.00, and extended warranty for \$1080.00 totaling 9796.25. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Amendment carried. Kitley and Jearl

Amended agenda item #11 Consideration and Action to approve the purchase of a central air and heating unit for the City of George West Fire Department from Martinez AC and Heating Inc. as described on the quote for the American Standard unit for \$6016.25, labor and duct work \$2700.00, and extended warranty for \$1080.00 totaling \$9796.25. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

- 12. Consideration and Action** to approve Accounts Payable for September 2019.

Move as read by Kitley Wasicek, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Open for discussion. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

BRIEFINGS:

13. Interim City Manager's Report:

- a) Revenue and Expense Report for September 2019.
- b) City and Project Updates

Shirley, gave the council her updates. We were able to add some revenue into this fiscal year. We have \$1,515,770.82. Things are running smooth within the city. The Building Standard Board Meeting is set for November 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The city is currently taking bids for TX CDBG CONTRACT NO. 7218161 WASTE WATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. The pre-bid conference will be on October 24, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

14. Questions or Briefings at the City Council's Request:


- a) Code Enforcement
- b) Public Works
- c) Police Chief Report
- d) Animal Control

Council Member Rindle Wilson, submitted his letter of resignation.

15. Adjournment.

The council meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

ATTEST:


D'Ann Lane, City Secretary

SIGNED:


Andrew Garza, Mayor

October 21, 2019

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