6/2/25 Garwin City Council Minutes

Called to order at 6pm. Present: Deam, Zoffka, Simcox, Raymond, McCubbin, Mattingly Others present: R. Collins, C. Smith, R. Daniel, K. Konicek, D. and K. Wurr, T. and L. Waite Raymond motioned, Zoffka seconded the approval of May bills and minutes. Approved with all ayes. Mayor Deam reported he has been working on library issues and new building project. Thirteen dead trees were cut down and the City has 15 new ones to plant.

Under old business, the water main project is now complete. The City didn't contract for the cleanup so that still needs to be done. Raymond noted a couple of changes to the new building that the fire dept wants. Under new business, the Garwin Bull liquor license was motioned to approve by Simcox, seconded by Raymond. Approved with all ayes with McCubbin abstaining.

Dave and Kris Wurr presented photos of a live tree in the berm that has big roots damaging their sidewalk and yard. They asked for the City to pay to have it removed. This tree was on the agenda in 2020 and has not been addressed since then. Clerk is to get quote and Council will review at next meeting.

Kelly Konicek asked if the City would pay for the rental of porta-potties for Freedom Days. Zoffka motioned, Simcox seconded and it was passed with all ayes; McCubbin abstained. Konicek then asked if the City would buy paint and brushes so GEL could paint the bandstand in the park. Simcox motioned, Raymond seconded. Motion approved with all ayes; McCubbin abstained.

Tom and Lorrie Waite stated their complaints about their neighbor's property. The main concern is the weeds and a tree that overhangs the property line.

Exchange students with Southwestern Advantage requested to sell educational materials door to door. Per our Code Chapter 161 they need to fill out an application for a license to solicit. Clerk will post when they will be in town.

Raymond reported 2 mutual aid fire calls last month and 1 assist for the ambulance.

Daniel reported the lagoon pumps were clogged and are now functioning again. The water sample tests that were completed look great. A new water meter was installed by Daniel at the Little League concession stand. Clerk is to start billing the school for this water usage. There was a discussion about who pays for the residential water meters. The City Code Chapter 91 states it is up to the resident to pay for it and the water superintendent can order and install it.

Simcox reported 65 hours of sheriff patrol time last month.

McCubbin reported the Librarian resigned and the Board is reviewing library policies. The position will be open soon for a new Librarian. The Library will remain open with the 2 assistants manning it for now. The City is also looking for a new person to clean the shelter house as the current person resigned. Only 1 application has been received so far. Job details and applications can be picked up at City Hall. Raymond mentioned spraying for weeds on the playgrounds, volleyball court, and hoop building/basketball court perimeter/fence line. McCubbin motioned to approve up to \$500 cost for the service with Raymond seconding. Passed with all ayes. Clerk is to get quotes and post on Facebook City page when this is being done. There will also be physical signs posted to make people aware.

Zoffka brought up that Clerk needs to post a reminder to residents that all dogs must be on leash and are not allowed to roam around town. The City attorney is involved in at least 2 abatement cases. Clerk has court on Wed June 11.

Simcox reviewed bank balances and debit card charges.

There was discussion of streets in need of repair besides what was contracted with LL Pelling.

Simcox motioned, McCubbin seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:25pm.

The next regular meeting will be Mon 7/7/25 at 6pm.

By Michelle Vaverka, City Clerk