

## 7/3/23 Garwin City Council minutes

Called to order at 6pm.

Present: Deam, Zoffka, Brave Heart, Raymond, McCubbin, Simcox; Absent: M. Vaverka

Others present: C. Smith, K. Kunch, P. Konicek, J. Morales, M. Marquess, L. Lloyd

Raymond motioned, Brave Heart seconded the approval of the May minutes & bills, passed with all ayes with the following changes. CHANGES TO 6/5/23 minutes: McCubbin was not get mosquito bids, Brookhouser deadline was 7/31/23; CHANGES TO 7/3/23 bills: American Siren Corp is labor for siren repair, not install of solar signs.

Brave Heart inquired as to why the City doesn't bundle the internet bills. Clerk is to check with Mediacom & Windstream for quotes.

Deam wanted to thank everyone for the support of the Freedom Days.

Gravel will be put in the potholes on Carlton St until the street repairs can be completed this fall.

The City is looking for volunteers to help paint the street parking stripes downtown. If interested, contact the Mayor or City Hall.

Brave Heart motioned to approve, Raymond seconded the approval of Michelle Vaverka to have bank account access & signatory rights on all city bank accounts, passed with all ayes. Access to a debit card will be revisited next month.

Clerk will check into opening an in-house charge account at Theisen's.

No public hearing comments were heard for or against the sale of 210 Main St.

Simcox motioned to approve Res. 2023-6 for the sale of 210 Main St. & waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> reading, Brave Heart seconded, Raymond & McCubbin voted aye, Zoffka abstained.

Brave Heart motioned to have public notice published to review sealed bids at the 8/7/23 council meeting for the sale of 210 Main St., Simcox seconded, Raymond & McCubbin voted aye, Zoffka abstained. The deadline for the sealed bids is 4pm on 8/7/23, and the Council has the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

The council upheld the previous council's 6/6/22 decision to not give any sewer credit for pool fills.

Clerk is to get quote on new bagged cold mix from Tama Co. Engineer.

Konicek stated that the both church donated for a new popcorn popper in the Park Concession Stand.

Morales asked about what he needs to do about keeping his property nuisance free. Council requested that he clean up the cars & parts more often until a fence could be built.

Lloyd stated the sidewalk area has been cleaned up & all vehicles are licensed. He requested a council person inspect it for their satisfaction.

Kunch stated weeds are coming back at Gamble Park & hoped a tree could be removed.

A change of regular council meeting dates was discussed & tabled to next month.

The new city website update was reviewed. The website agreement was discussed & the City Attorney was asked to advise on the City's options.

There was 5 Fire Dept calls & 6 Ambulance calls. Duden donated \$1500 for a house fire.

There will be new signs at the old grain bin site.

Mulch is to be laid at the entrance of the BB court. Smith is to clean the park restrooms.

Zoffka requested that 1<sup>st</sup> nuisance notices be mailed out by regular mail to save on postage. Subsequent letters will be mailed by Certified Mail if needed.

There is a revised Citizen Complaint Form. The form is to be filled out by the citizen if they want any possible action taken. Not all complaints may be deemed a nuisance or acted on.

The payment from the contractor that leased the area around the old grain bin site is to be deposited into the FD-Amb Bldg bank account.

The brush pit is full & needs burnt & a new hold dug. Simcox motioned to approve a new hold dug for not more than \$1000, McCubbin seconded, passed with all ayes.

Vaverka is on pre-approved leave, then will attend Clerk School July 17-21. There will be no regular City Hall open hours during this time.

Mike Marquess, the new City Attorney introduced himself.

The Council asked Marquess about the City's options regarding condemning a dangerous building.

Fireworks will be postponed until later this week.

Brave Heart motioned, Simcox seconded the meeting adjourn at 7:58pm. The next regular meeting will be 8/7/23.

By Lori Speck, Interim City Clerk

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Matt Deam, Mayor