

CITY OF GREGORY

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The Regular Meeting was held on November 1, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Gregory Housing Authority located at 103 Granajo Street.



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Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jeronimo B. Garcia at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Alderman Pablo Martinez – Zoom Alderman Christopher Flores Alderman George Hernandez Alderman Alvaro Lopez, Jr. Mayor Pro-Tem Odilia Reyes

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

CONSENT AGENDA – Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes made the motion to approve minutes of October 18, 2021.

PRESENTATIONS -

a) Update and presentation of Municipal Complex by Mrs. Branny McDougal – Mrs. McDougal commented that the contractor would be willing to compensate the city for the use of electrical power being used from the water tower connection. As to the inquiry of the installation of the waterline at the site, a plan or engineered design would be needed along with survey. There will need to be an amendment to the donation agreement for the line that will be installed and for the electrical power usage. We will need go get Cynthia (Special Counsel) to draw up the amendment and have the Mayor, Pablo, public works, Robert (engineer) and contractor set a meeting to discuss this further.

b) Update and presentation by Nueces River Authority by Mr. Travis Pruski – Mr. Pruski present Council members with power point as to the evaluation and study conducted of the wastewater treatment plant. The reports show that in May 2021 there was 91% overflow but that was due to the recent rains and based on the intake a new plant is not needed at this time. Once you exceed 40,000 gals per day than the future planning will be required. He gave cost estimates for the expansion of the plant through grant funds and low interest loans. They would be able to draw up an application and collect their fees through the administrative portion of the grant or loan. ACTION ITEMS

a) Consideration and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2021-11-01 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gregory nominating a candidate for the San Patricio County Appraisal District Board of Directors – After discussion it was decided that all entitled 15 votes would be given to Mrs. Anne Matula. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes approve and issue the votes to Mrs. Matula and it was seconded by Alderman Flores. Motion carried with all ayes and 0 nays.

b) Consideration with possible action to approve informal bid by Hubert Construction for the Installation of 400 LF of 12" water line to the elevated water tower – Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes to table any further discussion until amendment and design was created. Motion was seconded by Alderman Hernandez and it carried with all ayes and 0 nays.



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c) Discussion of the Building Permit Rates – Mayor Garcia told members that rates need to be brought up to date. Alderman Martinez said that council would need to review the contract with Bureau Veritas and research with the surrounding cities. Alderman Flores made the motion to table and Alderman Martinez suggested in having a workshop to discuss this. Alderman Hernandez seconded the motion to table the discussion. Motion carried with all ayes and 0 nays.

OLD BUSINESS - None REPORTS

FIRE DEPT. – Update was given by Chief Jimenez; Hydrant checks were done this month but were not completed due to lack of power at the water plant on that day and didn't want to drain the tower. Had a structure fire on Kline St. and conducted the school event. Parts are needed to get vehicles updated and in compliance and we will be making the repairs. We will be having a booth in the park for the Trunk or Treat event.

Mayor and Council – Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes said Mayor Garcia and her were interviewed by G-PISD students for the EDC banquet presentation. She attended the GCGV \$1.9 million give away to Del Mar College Technology class. Oct. 27 will be attending the Leading Ladies Session and "don't forget to vote on election day for the hospital district". Alderman Lopez gave a thank you to all who participated at the Halloween Trunk or Treat it was a great success. Alderman Martinez said that he had participated in a Zoom meeting with TxDOT grant money available through the department for signage and other projects that may be funded 100%. Next funding would be available in 2023 but application would need to be submitted in 2022. Mayor reminded members to the water main should be prioritized due the low pressure that was experienced.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS- None

ADJOURNMENT – Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes at 7:49 p.m. to adjourn, it was seconded by Alderman Lopez and motion carried with all ayes and 0 nays.

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ATTEST:

Jeronimo B. Garcia, Mayor

Norma S. Garcia, City Secretary