



City of Garden Ridge

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MINUTES QUARRY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019, 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

Chair Mike Shands
Vice-Chair Wayne Mudge
Commissioner Jerry Barucky
Commissioner Albert Haddad
Commissioner Richard Holloway
Commissioner Johnell Holly
Councilmember Bryan Lantzy, Ex-officio member

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Mark DuBois (Voluntary Announced Absence)

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney

Other City Councilmembers or Commissioners Present:

None

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the Quarry Commission Members present, Chair Shands called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge Quarry Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 11, 2019, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas, 78266.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Shands led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 30 minutes total

No one signed up to speak.

5. Business Items

The following items are for discussion, consideration and/or action.

a) Approvals

i. Approval of Minutes for January 14, 2019, Quarry Commission Regular Meeting.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Holloway, seconded by Commissioner Haddad, to approve the January 14, 2019, Quarry Commission Regular Meeting Minutes. The Quarry Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b) Discussions/Reports/Reviews

- i. Review and discussion on the monthly Hanson Quarry blasting analysis data reported by Vibratex. Discussion with Hanson Servtex and blasting contractors on recent quarry operations, including any unusual blasts that occurred during reported month/s and/or current month.**

Nicholas Reitinger, Vibra-Tech, presented and discussed the January blast analysis. He stated that 16 shots occurred during the month of January and none of the blasts exceeded the limits of Ordinance 34. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.198 occurred on January 29, 2019, at the Warden Property Line and the highest Air Overpressure of 119 dB occurred on January 22, 2019, at the Holly Residence.

Nicholas Reitinger, Vibra-Tech, presented and discussed the February blast analysis. He stated that 13 shots occurred during the month of February and none of the blasts exceeded the limits of Ordinance 34. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.183 occurred on February 20, 2019, at the Warden Property Line and the highest Air Overpressure of 118 dB occurred on February 21, 2019, at the Holly Residence.

- ii. Review individual citizen blast report/s, follow up on citizen blast report/s and/or assign Quarry Commissioner contact with citizen/s, as necessary.**

Nicholas Reitinger, Vibra-Tech, discussed citizen blast reports received for January and February. He reviewed the citizen concerns and relevant blasts from Jan Hayslip, Wayne Davis, Heather Ecton, Beverly Pickering, Valinda McAlister Bacon, Debbie Dauer, Amy Harrell/Lowrimore, and Catherine Harm.

- iii. Discussion on number of, placement, and location of monitors and other matters related to monitoring of blasts by Vibratex and notification to residents of monitor placements. Discuss placement of roving monitor which is currently at the Baker residence.**

The Commission discussed looking into if anyone in Regency Oaks is interested in having a roving monitor.

c) Updates

- i. City Council Regular Meetings on February 6, 2019, and March 6, 2019.**

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated there were no recommendations for consideration by City Council from the Quarry Commission at these meetings; therefore, there are no updates.

- ii. Ordinance No. 210-022018 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge adopting board and commission policy and procedures; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date.**

- 1. Discuss and make recommendations related to application of ordinance provisions to commission members, if needed.**

Chair Shands stated Commissioner DuBois notified him and Marisa Spencer, City Secretary, of his absences well in advance. Chair Shands spoke regarding the City Council and Quarry Commission Special Joint Meeting adding a voluntary announced absence for Commissioner DuBois. Vice-Chair Mudge spoke regarding Ordinance No. 210-022018 and stated he appreciates Commissioner DuBois volunteering to serve on the Quarry Commission, adding Commissioner DuBois has knowledge that is hard to find.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Haddad, seconded by Commissioner Holloway, to recommend to City Council that termination of Commissioner DuBois be waived to allow a fourth (4th) consecutive absence or a fifth (5th) total absence. The Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

d) Future Agenda Items

- i. Commissioners input for items on upcoming agendas.**

None.

ii. Update on future education/training sessions and Grapevine articles.

The Commission discussed possible information to include in future Grapevine articles.

The Commission requested that another "question and answer" open forum be held at the next meeting.

iii. Announcement of next Quarry Commission Regular Meeting – Monday, May 13, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Chair Shands announced the next Quarry Commission Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, May 13, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

e) Education/Training – limited to 20 minutes

i. Question and answer session with Vibratex, Hanson representatives, blasting contractor/s, and the public.

The Commission discussed construction practices, blasting locations, and blasting techniques with Nicholas Reittinger and Geoffrey Rigsby, Vibra-Tech. Councilmember Lantzy stated if the Commission would like he would discuss construction practices and codes more in depth at the next Commission meeting. The Commission agreed they would like more information regarding these topics and thanked Councilmember Lantzy.

6. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 20 minutes total

No one wished to speak.

7. Executive Session

The Quarry Commission will recess its open meeting and reconvene in Executive Session:

a) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney

1. To seek legal advice in connection with settlement negotiations and other issues related to Hanson Aggregates operations, blasting and possible amendments to Ordinance 34.

Chair Shands announced the Quarry Commission will recess at 7:03 p.m. and reconvene into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m., in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.074 – Consultation with Attorney on the one (1) item stated above.

Chair Shands adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened back into Regular Session at 8:17 p.m.

8. Business Items (continued)

The Quarry Commission will reconvene into Regular Session upon conclusion of the Executive Session and may recall any item posted for Executive Session for action, as necessary.

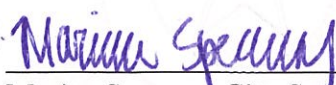
Chair Shands asked if any Commissioners wanted to recall the item posted for Executive Session to allow for any action they wanted to take. Receiving no responses from Commissioners to recall the item for any action, Chair Shands closed Business Items.

9. Adjournment

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Holloway, seconded by Commissioner Holly, to adjourn. The Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Monday, March 11, 2019, Quarry Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m. by Chair Shands.


Mike Shands, Chair

ATTEST:


Marisa Spencer, City Secretary