



City of Garden Ridge

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MINUTES OF CITY WATER COMMISSION **REGULAR MEETING** **February 28, 2017**

Members Present:

Chairman David Heier
Commissioner Andre Bullard
Commissioner Keven Harshbarger
Commissioner Ray Pitzen
Commissioner Pat Ramirez
Mayor Nadine Knaus, ex-officio

Member Absent:

Vice-Chairman Richard Holloway

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Royce Goddard, Water Department Manager
Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the City Water Commission present, Chairman Heier called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge City Water Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. Citizen's Participation – 3 minute limit per citizen

No one wished to speak.

3. Business Items

The City Water Commission may discuss, consider and/or take possible action on recommendation to the City Council on the following:

a) January 24, 2017 Water Commission Meeting

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Ramirez, seconded by Commissioner Pitzen, to approve the minutes of January 24, 2017 Regular Water Commission Meeting, with corrections. The Water Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion passed unanimously.

b) Request from Johanna Lizama, 9251 Blazing Star Trail, for a reduction of water bill for the billing period of November 21, 2016 through December 21, 2016

Alex Lizama, 9251 Blazing Star Trail, stated he is asking for a reduction of water bill for the billing period of November 21, 2016 through December 21, 2016. He stated he owns the house at 9251 Blazing Star Trail and 2 other houses in Garden Ridge. He had just moved from this house into another one across the street and had been checking this home regularly but not the week they were out of town. He stated they were notified by the City regarding water coming out of the door and that the water had been cut off. He stated a pipe inside the house busted, causing water damage to areas in their home. He also stated their homeowners insurance has been notified and their deductible is \$3,500 and is asking for a reduction in his bill since this event is out of their control.

Royce Goddard, Water Manager, stated due to the timeframe of this leak he was unable to print off a water usage history.

The Water Commission discussed Ordinance 54, homeowner's insurance coverage, and homeowner's responsibility.

The Water Commission agreed by consensus for the City Council to consider the variance request since Ordinance 54 does not allow the Commission to have the authority to recommend the variance request.

4. Water Manager Monthly Activity Report

a) Water pumping/usage from city wells

Royce Goddard, Water Manager reviewed the monthly water pumping/usage from the city wells and discussed the water system operations (see attached report).

Royce Goddard, Water Manager reported 44.14 acre feet were pumped from the Edwards Aquifer and 3.47 acre feet were pumped from the Trinity. He stated the average daily usage is 8,325.714 gallons.

b) Water system infrastructure maintenance, repairs and/or projects

Royce Goddard, Water Manager stated waterline construction has begun on Sumac and Teakwood.

c) Static levels, drawdown levels and flow rates has on the Trinity Well

Royce Goddard, Water Manager reported from February 1st till February 28th the difference in the Static Level was .09 feet for the Edwards and .09 feet for the Trinity.

d) Water and/or Drought Management

The City of Garden Ridge is currently under no watering restrictions.

5. Administrative Items

The Commission may discuss, consider and/or take possible action on the following items:

a) Items discussed at the February 1, 2017 City Council Regular Meetings

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, reported from February 1, 2017 the City Council approved the Water Commission recommendations on Ordinance 54 changes and the variance request from Mary Longloy to pay for water used calculated at the base rate.

b) Set date, time and location for next meeting (March 28, 2017)

Next Water Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 in the City Council Chambers.

The Water Commission agreed by consensus to review Ordinance 54 regarding the water leak variance process.

6. Citizen Participation – 3 minute limit per citizen

No one wished to speak.

7. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Bullard and seconded by Commissioner Ramirez. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.


David Heier, Chair

ATTEST:


Shelley Goodwin, TRMC
City Secretary