



City of Garden Ridge

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MINUTES QUARRY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

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

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Wayne Mudge (Excused Absence)

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Kat Balbi, Assistant City Secretary

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the Quarry Commissioners present, Chair Holly called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge Quarry Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 13, 2020, 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 Holly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Citizen Comment Period: No one signed up to speak.

5. Business Items

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

a) Approvals

1. Approval of Minutes for September 9, 2019, Quarry Commission Regular Meeting.

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Chair Barucky, seconded by Commissioner DuBois, to approve the September 9, 2019, Quarry Commission Regular Meeting Minutes. The Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b) Discussions/Reports/Updates

1. 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.

Randy Payne, Vibra-Tech, stated Geoffrey Rigsby no longer works for Vibra-Tech and Nicholas Reittinger, South West Regional Manager, will be attending the Quarry Commission meetings.

Randy Payne, Vibra-Tech, presented and discussed the September blast analysis. He stated that 10 shots occurred during the month of September and none of the blasts exceeded the limits of Ordinance 34. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.065 occurred on September 6th at the Warden Residence and the highest Air Overpressure of 112 dB occurred on September 18th at the Holly Residence.

Randy Payne, Vibra-Tech, presented and discussed the October blast analysis. He stated that 11 shots occurred during the month of October and none of the blasts exceeded the limits of Ordinance 34. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.058 occurred on October 3rd at the Warden Residence and the highest Air Overpressure of 117 dB occurred on October 3rd at the Holly Residence.

Randy Payne, Vibra-Tech, presented and discussed the November blast analysis. He stated that 9 shots occurred during the month of November and none of the blasts exceeded the limits of Ordinance 34. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.090 occurred on November 6th at the Holly Residence and the highest Air Overpressure of 115 dB occurred on November 6th at the Warden Residence.

Randy Payne, Vibra-Tech, presented and discussed the December blast analysis. He stated that 15 shots occurred during the month of December and none of the blasts exceeded the limits of Ordinance 34. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.108 occurred on December 12th at the Warden Residence and the highest Air Overpressure of 109 dB occurred on December 19th at the Warden Residence and on December 26th at the Holly Residence.

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

Randy Payne, Vibra-Tech, discussed the citizen blast reports received for the month of September through December. He reviewed the citizen concerns and relevant blasts from Armando Diaz, Kevin Heyburn, Steve Tyo, Erika Dozal-Rodriguez, and Jerry Mills.

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

The Commission agreed to leave the roving monitor at the Baker residence.

4. City Council Regular Meeting on October 2, 2019, November 6, 2019, December 4, 2019, and January 2, 2020, City Council Regular Meetings.

Chair Holly provided the Commission with an update on the items discussed at the October, November, December, and January City Council Regular Meetings and spoke regarding HB 2439 impacting new construction and the potential safety concerns.

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

The Commission requested a Commission Vacancy notice go out in the Grapevine.

Chair Holly discussed the new Quarry educational materials. Marisa Spencer, City Secretary, requested the Commission review the materials and submit all questions to City Staff for review.

Lalit Bhatnagar, Regional Director of Environmental Safety and Health Division, discussed the purpose of the educational materials.

6. 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.

- i. Discuss and accept the resignation of Commissioner Holloway.**
- ii. Interview possible candidates for the Quarry Commission Place 5 vacancy (term expiring September 30, 2021).**
- iii. Make recommendation to City Council for appointment of Commissioner.**

Chair Holly stated that neither of the candidates were in the audience to interview. Commissioner Holloway requested to withdraw his letter of resignation until an interview of candidates can be conducted.

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

Commissioner Haddad stated his intent to submit his letter of resignation due to medical reasons once the Commission has candidates interested in interviewing.

c) Future Agenda Items

1. Commissioners input for items on upcoming agendas.

None at this time.

2. Announcement of next Quarry Commission Regular Meeting.

Chair Holly announced the next Quarry Commission Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, March 9, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

6. Citizen Comment Period: No one wished to speak.

7. Adjournment

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Haddad, seconded by Commissioner DuBois, to adjourn. The Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Monday, January 13, 2020, Quarry Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m. by Chair Holly.

ATTEST:


Johnell Holly
Chair



Kat Balbi
Assistant City Secretary