



MINUTES
QUARRY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021, 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

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

Commissioners Absent:

Vacant Position

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
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 11, 2021, 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 November 9, 2020, Quarry Commission Regular Meeting.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Mudge, seconded by Commissioner Shands, to approve the November 9, 2020, 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 Vibratech. 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.

David Larner, 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 No. 34. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.248 occurred on November 12th at the Warden Residence and the highest Air Overpressure of 112 dB occurred on November 9th at the Warden Residence.

David Larner, Vibra-Tech, presented and discussed the December blast analysis. He stated that 11 shots occurred during the month of December and none of the blasts exceeded the limits of Ordinance No. 34. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.218 occurred on December 23rd at the Warden Residence and the highest Air Overpressure of 115 dB occurred on December 16th at the Warden 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.

David Larner, Vibra-Tech, spoke regarding the 15 citizen blast reports received from November through December and answered questions from the Commission. Nick Reitinger, Vibra-Tech, spoke regarding the process of monitoring blasts and communicating with residents.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated the Quarry Commission could include an educational flyer in the New Resident's packet and on the City's website.

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 discussed moving the roving locations to places recommended by Vibra-Tech. Nick Reitinger, Vibra-Tech, stated a monitor was placed at Park Lane Park in December and it has received no triggers. He stated the data collected from that monitor will be included in the Quarry Commission presentations.

4. Items applicable to the Quarry Commission discussed at the January and December City Council Regular Meetings.

Chair Holly provided the Commission with an update on the items discussed at the December and January City Council Regular Meetings.

5. Update on Grapevine articles.

Commissioner Mudge spoke regarding submitting an article for the February Grapevine.

c) Recommendations

1. 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. Interview possible candidates for the Quarry Commission Place 7 vacancy (term expiring September 30, 2022).

The Commission interviewed David Biersner. He spoke regarding his history in Garden Ridge and his qualified background. The Commission discussed the attendance requirements in Ordinance No. 210, which Mr. Biersner stated would not be a concern.

ii. Make recommendation to City Council for appointment of Commissioner.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Haddad, seconded by Vice-Chair Barucky, to recommend to City Council the appointment of David Biersner to the Quarry Commission Place 7 vacancy with term expiring September 30, 2022. The Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Chair Holly spoke regarding the waiver approved by City Council for the provision in Ordinance No. 210 that requires Commissioners to attend two (2) City Council regular meetings each calendar year during the current public health emergency and stated Commissioners are still encouraged to attend City Council meetings.

d) Education/Training

1. Review "Quarry Terminology".

Nicholas Reitinger, Vibra-Tech, stated a presentation will be provided at the next meeting.

2. Discuss "Blasting Educational Materials" with Vibratech, Hanson representatives, blasting contractors, and the public.

Nicholas Reitinger, Vibra-Tech, presented an updated "Blasting Education Materials" and answered questions from the Commission.

3. Discuss future education/training sessions.

The Commission had none at this time.

e) Future Agenda Items

1. Commissioners input for items on upcoming agendas.

The Commission had 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 8, 2021, 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 Vice-Chair Barucky, seconded by Commissioner Shands, to adjourn. The Commission voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Monday, January 11, 2021, Quarry Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m. by Chair Holly.

ATTEST:



Kat Balbi
Assistant City Secretary



Johnell Holly
Chair