TOWN OF THOMPSONS CITY COUNCIL 10/17/24

The Town Council of Thompsons, Texas met in Regular Session in the Council Chamber located at 520 Oilfield Road at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 17, 2024 with Mayor Freddie Newsome, Jr. presiding. Council members present were Edward Taylor, James Todd, and Gina Treadgold. Residents in attendance were John Treadgold, Rose Jaynes and Fire Chief, Keelan Spaulding. Visitors in attendance were Dr. Jon Maxwell, Executive Director Enrollment Management for Lamar CISD.

Before the start of the meeting, the Mayor asked for a moment of silent prayer for Councilman Deborah Brown. Councilman Brown passed away on Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

Next, the Mayor asked the City Secretary to read a Resolution on the Death of Alderman Deborah Brown. Mayor Newsome stated that this Resolution will be presented to Councilman Brown's daughter, Haley Solomon, to extend the Mayor's and Council's deepest sympathy and express their sincere gratitude for her contributions to the Town of Thompsons.

Minutes of September 19, 2024 Regular Town Council Meeting was read and reviewed by Council. On a motion from Edward Taylor, seconded by Gina Treadgold, the Minutes, Financial Reports and Accounts Payables/Receivables were approved. The Financial Reports and Accounts Payables/Receivables were available for September.

The Mayor presented the first item on the agenda, which was a discussion for Thanksgiving Dinner for Senior Citizens. The annual Thanksgiving Dinner was usually held on the Thursday before Thanksgiving. The Dinner will be held in the Community Center with the Thompsons Volunteer Fire Department sponsoring the dinner. The date for the event is Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

Mayor led Council in a discussion concerning the 2025-2026 Budget. Mayor stated that the CPA will begin work on the budget. If the Fire Department and Council are aware of necessary items to be purchased, please let the Mayor know so that the items can be inserted into the new budget. Councilman Treadgold stated that she will be attending a meeting regarding the Brazos River and after the meeting there might be steps the Town of Thompsons can take, regarding the flooding of the river.

Under residents and visitors commentary, Mayor Newsome introduced Dr. Jon Maxwell, Executive Director Enrollment Management from Lamar CISD. Mr. Maxwell led Mayor and Council in a discussion regarding the growth of the Lamar CISD along with the growth of Fort Bend County. Mr. Maxwell handed out business cards to Mayor and Council. Mr. Maxwell also informed Mayor and Council that they can contact him if any information is needed on the growth of the school district.

There were no park reservations for the month of October.

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Fire Chief, Keelan Spaulding, stated that the Thompsons Volunteer Fire Department had five medical calls and no fire calls for the month of September. The Chief stated that there is a burn ban in effect in Fort Bend County and every county around Fort Bend.

Under other business before the Council, Councilman Taylor stated that he is working on areas to spend the COVID-19 monies. The monies will be used for the walking trail, the basketball court and the volleyball court at the G.W. Longserre Park. Bids for these projects need to be in by November 15, 2024.

Councilman Taylor stated that he will need to talk to the Engineering firm for the construction of the pavilion for Fort Bend County. The pavilion and the bids for the walking trail, the basketball and the volleyball court will need to be submitted to Commissioners Court in November. There will need to be a meeting with the Town of Thompsons and this information can all be combined together and submitted to Commissioners Court.

Councilman Taylor stated that he is waiting for John Sarten at EZ Task for the .gov email addresses. Councilman Treadgold stated that if he does not get a response from Mr. Sarten, she knows how to setup the .gov email addresses.

Councilman Treadgold stated that John Sarten from EZ Task will come out to train the City Secretary on postings on the new website.

The Mayor informed Council that the monthly Fort Bend County Mayor & Council Association meeting will be held at The Barn at Briscoe Manor in Richmond, Texas on October 24, 2024.

There being no additional business before the Council, on a motion from Edward Taylor, seconded by James Todd, Council adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectively Submitted

Mary Ang Manna (City Secretary)

Freddie Newsòme, Jr. Mayor/