

**TOWN OF THOMPSONS
CITY COUNCIL
3/19/26**

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, March 19, 2026, with Mayor Freddie Newsome, Jr. presiding. Council members present were Edward Taylor, James Todd, Gary Mosier, Nathan Walleck and Gina Treadgold. Residents in attendance were Rose Jaynes, Aurora Salazar, John Treadgold and Fire Chief, William Lawson. Also in attendance were Consultant, Marvin Marcell, and Attorney, Joseph Hays.

Minutes of the February 19, 2026, Regular Meeting were read and reviewed by Council. On a motion from Edward Taylor, seconded by Gary Mosier, the Minutes, Financial Reports and Accounts Payables/Receivables were approved. The Financial Reports and Accounts Payables/Receivables were available for February.

There were no public comments.

Attorney, Joseph Hays, the Town of Thompsons Attorney, led Mayor and Council in a presentation and discussion regarding Open Meetings Act, quorums, and adding items to agendas.

Next item on the agenda was a discussion on hiring a policeman for the Town of Thompsons. Mayor led Council in a discussion on this matter. Some of the issues discussed were the large expense of hiring a police officer such as salary, purchasing a vehicle, body cameras, insurances, training, etc. Councilman Taylor suggested composing a job description and gathering data from smaller cities around the area. Councilman Mosier suggested hiring a semi-retired individual. Councilman Treadgold suggested that hiring a policeman for the Town of Thompsons be on the agenda as an action item for the month of April. More discussion will follow at the meeting next month.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion on hiring an Assistant City Secretary. The Mayor led Council in a discussion on this matter. The Mayor stated that there is not a need for a full-time employee as the work is taken care of by the City Secretary. The Mayor suggested the use of a temp agency for a part-time employee. The Mayor stated that there is back-up for the City Secretary with the CPA. Councilman Taylor suggested using a business major student from San Jacinto College or University of Houston College. Councilman Treadgold suggested that the hiring of an Assistant City Secretary be on the agenda as an action item for the month of April. More discussion will follow at the meeting next month.

On the budget discussion changes for 2026-2027, the Mayor asked Council to review the existing budget and then discuss necessary additions or deletions before the April Council meeting. Councilman Taylor suggested adding the playground equipment for the G.W. Longserre Park, at the cost of possibly \$80,000.00. The Mayor stated that there is enough money in the budget to cover the playground equipment. Councilman Taylor passed out photos of playground equipment to Mayor and Council. After further discussion, Council agreed to have Mr. Taylor contact a representative for the

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playground equipment and have the representative come to the Council meeting for a presentation.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion and update on the G.W. Longserre Park Project. The Mayor stated that the Park is open for daily use Monday through Thursday (4 days a week) while the Park employees are at work. The park closes at 3:00 p.m., when the employees leave work. Once construction on the park is completed, it will be closed at 7:00 p.m. The reason that the bathrooms are locked is due to vandalism. Councilman Todd suggested using the money spent on the Port-A-Potty be used to update the bathrooms. Councilman Taylor suggested updating the bathrooms by replacing restroom fixtures with vandal resistance fixtures. More discussion will follow at the meeting next month. The pavilion at the G. W. Longserre Park is still scheduled for completion at the end of May.

There were no residents' and visitors' comments for the month of March.

There were no park reservations for the month of April, as the park is closed due to construction.

Fire Chief, William Lawson, stated that the Fire Department had six fire calls and two EMS calls for the month.

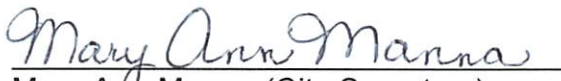
Under other business before the Council, the Mayor informed Council about the Fort Bend County Mayor and Council Association Meeting that will be hosted by the City of Simonton at Anthonie's Market Grill, 9108 F.M. 1489, Simonton, Texas, on Thursday, March 26, 2026.

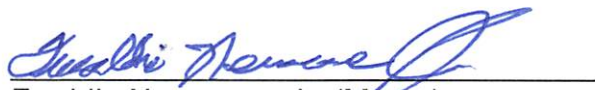
Councilman Treadgold reminded Mayor and Council about the Broadband Meeting that is scheduled for Monday, March 30, 2026, at the Thompsons City Hall/Community Center.

Councilman Taylor reminded Mayor and Council about the heavy trash pick-up that is scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2026.

There being no additional business before the Council, on a motion from Gina Treadgold, seconded by James Todd, Council adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,


Mary Ann Manna (City Secretary)


Freddie Newsome, Jr. (Mayor)