

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING AND A CALLED MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GORDON WILL BE HELD ON **MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 AT 6 PM AT COMMUNITY CENTER 109 W OAK ST**

PRESENT Roger Keck – Mayor Sherrye Mills – Mayor Protem

Alex Bernon – Alderman

Ricky Speer – Alderman

Jennifer Lousha - Alderman

Jonathan Imes – Public Works Director

Teresa Johnson – City Secretary

Derek Turner-Jacob & Martin, Susan Wynne-CARE, Michelle Griffith, Sherri Holder, Brett Clark, Laura Jones, Albert Oliveria, Holly Campbell

- I. **PUBLIC HEARING Called at 6:00 PM – No Comments**
- II. **CALL TO ORDER @ 6:03 pm**
- III. **ROLL CALL TO VERIFY QUORUM**
- IV. **PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**
- V. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGENCE – Mayor B. Roger Keck**
- I. **INVOCATION By Albert Oliveria – First Baptist Church, Gordon TX**
 - 1) a **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. DISCUSS & ACT UPON Appointment to City Council Alderman member for remaining term until May 2024 – Sherri Holder’s Application was read – Oath was signed on the Application if Appointment occurred
 - 2) **Motion by Ricky to Approve and Appoint Sherri Holder to City Council Alderman for remaining term of May 2024**
 - 3) **2nd by Alex**
 - 4) **Voted: Jennifer Lousha FOR , Sherrye Mills , FOR Ricky Speer, FOR Alex Bernon FOR**
 - 5) **Motion Carried**
- II. **CONSENT AGENDA:** All the items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member or citizen so request. For a citizen to remove an item from the Consent Agenda notification must be made prior to call to order.
 1. Approve Minutes to Regular Meeting from August 14, 2023
 2. Approve Minutes to Called Meeting on August 28, 2023
 3. Approving Ordinance 2023-9, Extending Local Declaration of Disaster – Drought issued on September 5, 2023, until October 31, 2023
 4. Tabled from August 14, 2023: Citizen water leak forgiveness request: Donnice Chow – Request withdrew.
 5. Approve Paying of the Bills
- 6) **Motion by Ricky to Accept the Consent Agenda**
- 7) **2nd by Jennifer**
- 8) **Voted: Jennifer Lousha FOR , Sherrye Mills , FOR Ricky Speer, FOR Alex Bernon FOR and Sherri Holder FOR**
- 9) **Motion Carried**
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DISCUSS & ACT UPON on the TWDB Project 62862 funding offered is \$800,000 in loan under the TWDB non-equivalency DWSRF program terms, prioritizing Waterline replacement locations.

Derek Turner discussed Options with TWDB 180 Watch program that Gordon is now able to utilize due to the current Drought conditions.

11) No Action at this time

DISCUSS & ACT UPON Adopting Property Tax Rate for 2023-24 – Proposed Rate is 0.3053182/\$100. 2022’s Rate was 0.2982619/\$100, an increase of 8%

12) Motion by Ricky to Approve and Adopt the Proposed Property Tax rate of 0.3053182/\$100 that was Proposed on August 14, 2023

13) 2nd by Sherrye Mills

14) Voted: Jennifer Lousha FOR , Sherrye Mills , FOR Ricky Speer, FOR Alex Bernon FOR and Sherri Holder FOR

15) Motion Carried

DISCUSS & ACT UPON CARE Request for Donation towards Building Renovation

Susan Wynne presented request and information about CARE Building Project in Mingus, TX

16) Motion by Ricky to Approve \$2000 Donation for CARE Building Project from General Fund

17) 2nd by Sherri Holder

Voted: Jennifer Lousha FOR , Sherrye Mills , FOR Ricky Speer, FOR Alex Bernon FOR and Sherri Holder FOR

18) Motion Carried

DISCUSS & ACT UPON – GISD Request for Conway Funds of \$3,178.00 for Beverage/Milk Cooler

Holly Campbell explained need for Beverage/Milk Cooler for GISD Students

19) Motion by Ricky to Approve GISD Request for \$3,178.00 quote for Beverage/Milk Cooler from Conway Fund

20) 2nd by Sherrye Mills

21) Voted: Jennifer Lousha FOR , Sherrye Mills , FOR Ricky Speer, FOR Alex Bernon FOR and Sherri Holder FOR

22) Motion Carried

DISCUSS & ACT UPON Raw Water Floating Pump Panel & Wiring Quote from Control Specialists - \$9,173.00

23) Motion by Ricky to Approve the Quote from Control Specialists for \$9,173.00 for Raw Water Floating pump Panel & Wiring

24) 2nd by Sherrye Mills

25) Voted: Jennifer Lousha FOR , Sherrye Mills , FOR Ricky Speer, FOR Alex Bernon FOR and Sherri Holder FOR

26) Motion Carried

DISCUSS & ACT UPON Downtown Christmas Decorations

27) NO ACTION AT THIS TIME - TABLED

DISCUSS & ACT UPON – Changing October Council Meeting to Oct 2nd or Oct 23rd.

28) Motion by Sherrye Mills to Change October Meeting date to Monday October 23rd

29) 2nd by Jennifer

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31) Motion Carried

Motion Carried or Motion Failed DISCUSS & ACT UPON Amend Ordinance No 20-12, Amended on 11-14-22 – Water and Sewer Rates Increase

Discussion regarding increases to Water Rates for future TWDB Grant/Laon to cover Clearwell and waterlines with City and for any future projects

32) TABLED

33) OLD BUSINESS

a) DISCUSS & ACT UPON Water Contingency Plan – Currently Stage 3, Update (Implemented on Aug 1st)

NO ACTION AT THIS TIME

a. DISCUSS & ACT UPON Barton Water Growth Agreement – Addendum to current contract.

NO ACTION AT THIS TIME

VI. STAFF REPORTS

- a. MAYOR
- b. CITY SECRETARY
- c. WATER / SEWER
- d. EDC

VII. ADJOURN @ 8:45 PM

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B. Roger Keck
Mayor

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Teresa Johnson
City Secretary