# NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

GARRETT CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Building

208 N. Ferris St., Garrett, Texas 75119 April 15 2021 6:00 P.M.

## CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL Sheri Payne – Present Jennifer Nunnery – Absent Matt Newson – Present Josie Holdridge – Present Anthony Bryant – Present Dan Cepak – Present

Also present; Joe Smith, Citizen; Michael Halla, City Attorney; Don Lewis, Public Works; Jason Cherry, Chief of Police; Judy Braddock, John Casey; Casey Brothers Construction

**INVOCATION – Given by Chief Cherry** 

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** 

## ANNOUNCEMENT

CITIZENS' COMMENTS Joe Smith said he appreciates the County trimming trees on Boyce and was questioning when they would be back to do the other side. He also had a concern about the City Park playground not being sanitized. Don Lewis, Public Works said he would take care of it.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Regular meeting minutes from March 30, 2021.
 Motion was made by Josie Holdridge and seconded by Sheri Payne to accept minutes as read. All approved, motion passed.

#### **REGULAR SESSION**

1. Departmental Reports

Police Report: Activity for month of March 2021 Fire Report: Activity for month of March 2021 Court Report: Activity for month of March 2021 Public Works: Activity for month of March 2021 Administrative Report: Financials March 2021

2. Discuss and consider benefits of, to and for City employees and the possibility of the City's participation in the Texas Municipal Retirement System.

Exploring options for Retirement for City Employees. Mayor Matt Newsom stated that this was a great benefit for the employees and TMRS is transferrable. Councilwoman Josie Holdridge stated that she felt this would be a great investment in the City employees. Mayor Newsom asked Mayor Pro-Tem, Josie Holdridge to research this more and will discuss again at budget time.

3. Discuss and consider concept plan for John Casey, Casey Brothers Construction, 111 W. Gibson.

City Attorney, Michael Halla explained to Council that a Concept plan was a preliminary plat so that Council could get an idea of what was projected to build. The purpose of a Concept Plan is to present a layout of a proposed subdivision or addition. I addition, the purpose of a Concept Plan is to allow review of availability of utilities, streets, and adequate drainage. Once

engineers look at it some things could change. This allows the builder/developer to know that the City is interested in what is proposed. Mr. John Casey also noted that they would be constructing an 8' fence around the entire property. This is a one-acre plat.

Motion was made by Dan Cepak and seconded by Josie Holdridge to accept the Concept Plan for John Casey, Casey Brother Construction, 111 W. Gibson.

4. Discuss and consider adopting Ordinance 21-106 amending Ordinance No. 17-192, to change the speed limits on two streets within the territorial limits of the City of Garrett, Ellis County, Texas to 25 MPH.

Motion was made by Josie Holdridge and seconded by Dan Cepak to accept Ordinance 21-106 to change the speed limits on two streets within the territorial limits of the City of Garrett, Ellis County, Texas to 25 MPH. All approved, motion passed.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Sheri Payne and seconded by Dan Cepak to Adjourn. All approved, motion passed.

ATTEST:

Judy Braddock, City Secretary

APPROVED:

Matt Newsom, Mayor