MINUTES

Notice is hereby given that the City of Combes Commissioners met in a Regular Session at 7:00 pm Monday, November 27, 2023, at <u>Combes Municipal Complex</u>, 21626 Hand Road, Combes Texas to consider the following;

Public comments may be e-mailed to jduarte@townofcombes.com by the meeting date at 4:00 pm.

Meeting began at 7:00 pm

Mayor Silvestre Garcia requested roll call.

1. Roll Call.

By City Secretary Jo Ann Nino

Mayor Silvestre Garcia – Present Commissioner Olga H Montes- Present Commissioner Mary David- Present Commissioner Kenneth P Stolar- Present Commissioner Ann Forbes- Present Commissioner Carlos Cordova – Present

2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Olga H Montes led the Invocation. Commissioner Mary David led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comments: At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak, or any person may speak on any item on the agenda for a maximum of three (3) minutes. No formal action can be taken on these items. Action for Approval or Disapproval

Mayor Silvestre Garcia informed the City Council that there are two people to speak with business before the council not scheduled on the agenda or any item on the agenda.

The first person before the council is Mr. Juan Guevara – resides Nixon Rd. Mr. Juan Guevara inquired about his driveway.

The City Administrator Aida Gutierrez responded to his inquiry since she is not an elected official. She informed Mr. Juan Guevara she was directed by Mayor Silvestre Garcia to contact the engineer regarding the issue on Nixon Rd. A change/work order is required before an inspection can be made, but an inspector will be out to assess the issue by the following business day.

The Second Person before the council is Maricela Zamora, her concern pertained to Noise Ordinance. Neighbors as well as herself are concerned with a nuisance of loud music, people parking in unauthorized locations, residential buildings being used as commercial buildings to hold events all pertaining to a local resident near her location.

The City of Combes Chief of Police Patrick Quill fully agreed with Ms. Maricela Zamora's statement and assured her he is directly involved in finding a solution to the issue.

Mayor Silvestre asked for any further comments/questions- and with no further people signed up to speak to the City Council he asked to move forward to the next agenda item.

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4. First Public Hearing- Annexation of Woods Road (Templeton Road).

Action to open and close public hearing.

Mayor Silvestre Garcia asked for a motion to open the First Public Hearing: Annexation of Woods Road (Templeton Road). Commissioner Ann Forbes made a motion to open the First Public Hearing: Annexation of Woods Road (Templeton Road). Seconded by Commissioner Olga H Montes. All in favor. Motion passed due to unanimous vote.

Mayor Silvestre Garcia explained to the City Council that the City of Combes plans to annex Woods Road known as Templeton, the road is dedicated to Cameron County but are not in for maintenance therefore for the road to be fixed it is required to be annexed.

The annexation of the road will produce the development of factories proving future job opportunities. No opposition has come forward regarding this project going forward.

Mayor Silvestre Garcia asked for a motion to close the First Public Hearing: Annexation of Woods Road (Templeton Road). Commissioner Ann Forbes made a motion to close the First Public Hearing: Annexation of Woods Road (Templeton Road). Seconded by Commissioner Kenneth P Stolar. All in favor. Motion passed due to unanimous vote.

5. Consideration and Possible Action- Minutes- October 30, 2023- Regular Meeting. Action for Approval or Disapproval of.

Mayor Silvestre Garcia asked for a motion to Consideration and Possible Action- Minutes- October 30, 2023- Regular Meeting. Commissioner Olga H Montes made a motion to approve Consideration and Possible Action- Minutes- October 30, 2023- Regular Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Ann Forbes. All in favor. Motion passed due to unanimous vote.

6. Consideration and Possible Action

- a) Invoices for Approval-General, Waterworks, Special Funds.
- b) Check Registers & Debit Card Transactions-General Fund, Waterworks, and Police Department Special Funds for October 2023.
- c) Financial Statement Reports-General Fund, Waterworks, and Police Department Special Funds for October 2023.

Action for Approval or Disapproval of. (Items A-C)

Mayor Silvestre Garcia asked for a motion to approve Consideration and Possible Action

- a) Invoices for Approval-General, Waterworks, Special Funds.
- b) Check Registers & Debit Card Transactions-General Fund, Waterworks, and Police Department Special Funds for October 2023.
- c) Financial Statement Reports-General Fund, Waterworks, and Police Department Special Funds for October 2023.

Commissioner Olga H Montes made a motion to approve Consideration and Possible Action

- a) Invoices for Approval-General, Waterworks, Special Funds.
- b) Check Registers & Debit Card Transactions-General Fund, Waterworks, and Police Department Special Funds for October 2023.
- c) Financial Statement Reports-General Fund, Waterworks, and Police Department Special Funds for October 2023.

Seconded by Commissioner Ann Forbes. All in favor. Motion passed due to unanimous vote.



7. Chief P. Quill-Consideration and Possible Action of Ordinance 2013-(1) Regulating Wrecker Rotation List- Amendment to reduce Five Wrecker Services on Rotation to Three-for Combes Police Department.

Action for Approval or Disapproval of. (Tabled November 13, 2023, Meeting)

The City of Combes Chief of Police informed the city council that after comparing current fees charged to Wrecker Rotation Services with the City of Harlingen it was confirmed that the City of Combes was below the average fees been charged and recommended fees to be adjusted and updated. Recommendations to Advertise for selection of Wrecker Service on Rotation made by Mayor Silvestre Garcia and the City of Combes Legal Counsel Mr. Gilberto Hinojosa.

Mayor Silvestre Garcia asked for a motion to approve for advertisement. Commissioner Kenneth P Stolar made a motion to approve for advertisement. Seconded by Commissioner Olga H Montes. All in favor. Motion passed due to unanimous vote.

8. Consideration and Possible Action of Resolution No. 2023-10 A Resolution of the City of Combes, Texas finding that Texas Gas Service Company's, A Division of One Gas, Inc., Statement of Intent to Increase Rates Filing Within the City should be denied; Finding that the City's reasonable Rate Case expenses shall be reimbursed by the Company; Finding that the meeting at which this Resolution is Passed is open to the public as required by Law; Requiring notice of the Resolution to the Company and Legal Counsel.

Action for Approval or Disapproval of.

The City Administrator Aida Gutierrez explained the City of Combes among other cities with franchise agreement with Texas Gas Service will not allow for rate increases.

Representative for Texas Gas Service not able to attend the meeting.

Mayor Silvestre Garcia asked for a motion to accept resolution No. 2023-10. Commissioner Mary David made a motion to accept resolution No. 2023-10. Seconded by Commissioner Ann Forbes. All in favor. Motion passed due to unanimous vote.

9. Adjournment of Meeting.

Action for Approval or Disapproval of.

Mayor Silvestre Garcia asked for a motion for Adjournment of Meeting. Commissioner Olga H Montes made a motion to approve for the Adjournment of Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Ann Forbes. All in favor. Motion passed due to unanimous vote.

Silvestre Garcia, Mayor

Aida Gutierrez, City Administrator