



# CITY OF HARDIN

•142 CR 2010

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CITY MAYOR

HARRY JOHNSON

MAYOR PRO TEM

CHRISTIAN GOODWIN

COUNCIL MEMBER #2

BRETT CLARK

COUNCIL MEMBER #3

TOMMY SMALL

COUNCIL MEMBER #4

DAVID MEADOWS

COUNCIL MEMBER #5

HARVEY FINLEY

## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR CALLED MEETING - HARDIN CITY HALL

142 CR 2010 LIBERTY, TEXAS

APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2023, AT 7:00 P.M.

**1. Call meeting to order.**

**Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm**

**Council Members present – Brett Clark, Tommy Small, and Harvey Finley,  
City Secretary – Patricia Johnson, and City Attorney – Matthew Gott.**

**2. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and the State of Texas.**

**3. Visitors to be heard. Public Comments: Agenda Items Only (Please hold comments to three (3) minutes).**

**4. Discussion and possible action on the following items:**

**A. Consider approving the Regular Called Meeting Minutes from the meeting held March 13, 2023.**

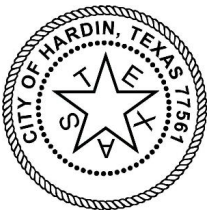
- Tommy Small motioned to approve the Regular Called Meeting minutes from the meeting held March 13, 2023.**
- Brett Clark seconded the motion.**
- All in favor.**

**B. Consider approving the bills to be paid for April 2023.**

- Brett Clark motioned to approve the bills to be paid for April 2023.**
- Tommy Small seconded the motion.**
- All in favor.**

**C. Consider approving the financials for March 2023.**

- Harvey Finley motioned to approve the financials for March 2023.**
- Tommy Small seconded the motion.**
- All in favor.**



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- D. **Discuss and take action:** Kathy Smartt with Piney Woods Sanitation would like to address council to discuss Piney Woods Sanitation buyout and signing an acknowledgment letter with new company, keeping the same terms.
- **Brett Clark motioned for Mayor Johnson to sign the letter of acknowledgment.**
  - **Harvey Finely seconded the motion.**
  - **All in favor.**
- E. **Discuss and take action:** Anthony Landry would like to address council regarding Vacant Property Exemption and/or a Fee Exemption request.
- **Discussion only**
- F. **Discuss and take action:** 277 CR 2003 N – Resident's plumber, Jonathan Wilder, showed the city secretary and John, with IUO, the clogged cleanout, and stated that he camera tested the line and couldn't get past the cleanout. City incurred \$1,437.50 bill for jetting services to a line that didn't belong to the homeowner.
- **Discussion only – City secretary to provide city attorney with all details and documentation regarding situation. City attorney will mail a letter to Mr. Wilder.**
- G. **Discuss and take action:** 277 CR 2003 N – IUO investigated sink hole and discovered that internet fiber optic cable had bored through the service lateral. Robert w/IMS states it is his line, installed May 2019, and will take responsibility for the bill of \$1,450.00.
- **Discussion only – City secretary to follow up on payment status in two weeks' time.**
- H. **Discuss and take action:** City Sewer Issues.
- Lift Station D – Need to replace 4" gate valve and gaskets. **IUO quote to replace is \$1160.28.**
    - **Tabled until May 2023 meeting.**
5. **Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Personnel Matters.**  
Entered Executive Session at 7:42pm
1. CLFRF/ARPA/Covid Relief Grant
  2. Liberty vs Hardin lawsuit
- Exited out of Executive Session at 8:12pm
6. **Reconvene into Regular Session:** Consider and Take Action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session.



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## 7. Requests and announcements.

- a. IUO Sewer Report
- b. LJA Project Report
- c. Announcements by Mayor and Council
- d. Request by Council to place items on future agenda.
  - Brett Clark would like to request on the May 2023 agenda to have outside mailbox replaced at post office.

## 8. Adjourn.

- **Brett Clark motioned to adjourn at 8:13 p.m.**
- **Harvey Finley seconded the motion.**
- **All in favor.**

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Passed and approved this 8th day of May 2023.

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Harry Johnson, Mayor  
City of Hardin, Texas