

**Minutes**  
**Emergency Meeting**  
**January 29, 2020**

On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020, at 8:00 a.m., the City Council of the City of Devine convened in an Emergency Meeting; the same being opened to the public at their regular meeting place thereof, at City Hall, 303 S. Teel Drive, Devine, Texas. Notice of said Meeting having been prescribed in Chapter 551, Government Code, and Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, and the following members being present:

Mayor Cory Thompson  
Alderman Steve A. Lopez  
Alderman David Espinosa  
Alderwoman Debbie Randall

Vacant Seats for District #1 and District #4; thus, constituting a quorum.

Personnel present: Dora V. Rodriguez, Interim City Administrator/City Secretary; Denise Duffy, City Accountant; Tom Cate, City Attorney; Ismael Carrillo, Director of Public Works; and Eddie Diaz, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator. .

Others present: André Hernandez, Medina Valley Times.

Mayor Thompson, presiding, called the meeting to order.

The sole order of business was to discuss and consider approving the cost for the repair of the clarifiers at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Director of Public Works Director explained in detail to Council how the clarifiers work and what is going on with the skimmers. He told Council that one of the arms to the skimmer broke. He got with City Engineer Raul Garcia who gave him a name of someone to contact. This person came out and checked out the clarifiers, and was able to give us a quote for the repair. We received a quote from Chuck Hazlewood with Shannon-Monk, Inc. on January 16, 2020, for \$30,500.00. This quote will be for both of our clarifiers unless other parts are needed. Director of Public Works Ismael Carrillo told Council that to him, this quote seemed to be on the high end. So, he met with Raul again to find out if he could recommend someone else to give us a second quote. City Engineer Raul Garcia recommended that we go with this person because he is the only one who works with existing clarifiers, and he does not recommend using anyone who is not knowledgeable with the operations of an existing wastewater plant.

Discussion was held with Director of Public Works Ismael Carrillo.

City Attorney Tom Cate advised that this is an emergency, and this cost is under \$50,000, so we don't have to go out for bids anyway. He explained that there's an exception to the bidding requirement when it is an emergency, under the bidding statute.

The consensus of Council was to go ahead and go through with this. Director of Public Works Ismael Carrillo explained to Council that the clarifier is still functioning but the arm is just not skimming the way it should.

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Discussion was held with Director Public Works Ismael Carrillo and Wastewater Plant Operator Eddie Diaz on how long it will take to get it fixed.

Motion by Alderwoman Randall, seconded by Alderman Espinosa to move forward with Shannon-Monk, Inc. on fixing the clarifiers for an amount not to exceed \$40,500.00; and to amend the budget by same amount.

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| Ayes | -- | Three – Aldermen Lopez and Espinosa<br>Alderwoman Randall |
| Nays | -- | None  |

Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the governing body, motion made by Alderman Espinosa, seconded by Alderwoman Randall to adjourn meeting.

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| Ayes | -- | Three – Aldermen Lopez and Espinosa<br>Alderwoman Randall |
| Nays | -- | None  |

Motion carried.

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Mayor

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City Secretary