



**City Council Minutes
Regular Session
October 9, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.**

Rhome City Hall
105 First Street
Rhome, TX 76078

Council Present: Mayor Pro Tem Charles Pennington; Council Members: Jo Ann Wilson, Michelle Pittman, David Wilson and Ronnie Moore.

Absent: Mayor Louis Godfrey

Staff Present: Walt Leonard, City Attorney; Ramah Burns, City Secretary; Sam Dorsett, Public Works Director; Brandon Davis, Police Chief; Sherry Dast, Court Administrator

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington called the meeting to order and announce a quorum was present:

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington led the Pledge of Allegiance

Citizen Presentation and Public Input:

Jeff Be Craft showed the Council a picture of a storage building he wants to put up. The Council said for him to take it to the Planning & Zoning Commission in November and it can come back to the Council in November.

Announcements and awards from Mayor and Council Members:

Ronnie Moore said he would like to take a moment to say how great our Fire Department and Police Department is. He said thank you to Darrell Fitch and Corbin Fitch for helping his mother we passed out at National Night Out. He said he talked with a deputy from Decatur. They were really impressed with the National Night Out we had. Congratulations on that.

Deborah Be Craft said she had Certificates for those that really helped them and over and above what they needed to do. She passed out certificates to Brandon Davis, Police Chief, Lisa Ponce, Air Evac, Rhome City Council for their support every step of the way, Tim Robison for organizing the Parade and hard work, Ronnie Moore who was at every meeting, the Rhome Fire Department for all of their help with filling the dunking booth. She said there were other people who helped along the way and she would like to give a blanket thank you.

Jo Ann Wilson called up Jeff Be Craft and Tim Stewart for their support to Deborah and Debbie.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington they had a real good Fall Festival. All of the kids from NISD. They were a big help.

Jo Ann Wilson said "Halloween in the Park" is October 31st from 6 - 8. She said come with your table, chair, candy and you can dress up.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they have coffee and cake in the back to celebrate this council and the tax payers. He said they had contract with NISD for 25 years and we paid it off in 16 years on the ground storage and lines.

1. New Business

A. Norm Bulaich - Progressive Waste - (I.E.S.I)

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they had some confusion on the last clean up dates. He said the three (3) dumpsters were full in a couple of hours and they had people pile their things on the ground. It took a week to clean it up after three (3) more dumpsters were delivered. He knows Ramah Burns tried to get a hold of somebody and everyone had gone home. He said it was a long event. He said they problem had people outside of Rhome and we are going to do something about that on our end.

Norm Bulaich said he and Bill ____ we usually only get two (2) dumpster's. The landfill closes at noon on Saturday and it is a two (2) hour drive. He said sometimes they are short on roll containers.

Jo Ann Wilson said we have another clean up October 25th and October 26th - Saturday 9 - 5 and Sunday 1 - 5.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said let's do it the same times as before. He said he would get with Ramah about having a coupon or something. We just wanted to visit with you and not through it all on Ramah's back. He said drop five (5) on the ground.

B. NISD Representative - Big Event on April 18, 2015.

Kelly Broughton said she is a high school teach at NISD. NISD Representative said this is the 4th year. The "Big Event" started at Texas A & M in 1982. They started devoting one (1) day a year to help. NISD started devoting a day to go out to their four (4) cities. Last year they had a little over 700 students that participated. This time they will have closer to 1,000 students. She said last year Rhome only had about 10 - 15 jobs. She is going to be Rhome's zone leader. They are looking to people they can help. They don't have to be low income, they don't have to be elderly. It can be anybody and everybody. It's their way of saying "Thank You"! It's a way for the kids to learn service. They are looking to get more than 30 this year in Rhome maybe more. They are also looking for dump sites to take their landscape, trash, leaves and dirt to get rid of it. They have an opportunity for advertisement and sponsorship. This year any small business that donates \$250 will have their business on every "Big Event" shirt. They wear the T-Shirts year round in neon colors that has your business on it. She said they can paint, rack leaves, etc. She has forms for anybody that has a need.

C. J. Rice, President, Public Management - discuss grant for drilling water well.

Mr. Rice said his company has done some stuff for the city in the past. He said they helped us get the Texas Capital Fund Grant - \$500,000 grant for Love's Travel Center and a \$50,000 grant for the Family Park. He said he was talking with Ramah the other day about the Texas Community Block Grant that the city is eligible for. She asked me to come before the council and tell you all about the program. It's a \$275,000 grant that you can use for water or sewer projects. There is a 10% match of your own funds. Ramah was telling me you were interested in doing a water well. He said they have to be sure community wide there is 51% low to moderate income. He said that is tricky. We may need to step back and look at another project. The grants are due February 27, 2015. He said we have time to put it together. We need to make sure we have the requirements met for the grant before we submit it. That being 51% of low to moderate income, 10% match, hold a public hearing and a Resolution is passed by the council to adopt the grant application. He said they will prepare all of this for them and do the leg work at no cost. However he wants to mention this and he didn't know if we have talked with the city Engineer but that is a small amount for a water well. He didn't know if that would cover the cost of a water well. That's something we need to sit down and discuss with the engineer. He said all he needs to know if they want to proceed with it.

Sam Dorsett, Public Works Director said they could correct the I & I at the West side Plant. They did that in Boyd.

Mr. Rice said the I & I projects - you get a big bang for your buck. It goes a long way.

Jo Ann Wilson asked are there anymore grants out there.

Mr. Rice there are grants available that you have to match with your own money. They are usually not substantial. Look ahead and see what your needs are and identify those needs. He said he needs to look at census data. He said he was there tonight to see if they want him to move forward. He said if it's a water well then your entire community has to be 51% low income. Because a water well effects the entire community. If you want to do an I & I project. He said the neighborhood he wants to do it in has to be 51% low to moderate income. He said that is easier to do that having the entire city 51% low to moderate income. Community Block Grants funds can be used for Public Safety. But when you get down to this level through the State of Texas and NCTCOG they have a priority system. High priority is Water and Wastewater. If you go down and do other projects you never score high enough to get funded. He said it is a very competitive program. There are a lot of communities around this area that want these funds. If you don't have a water or wastewater project you don't get funded.

Sam Dorsett said figures on a well ran just south of \$600,000 and that wasn't a very big well.

Motion was made by Ronnie Moore, seconded by David Wilson to look a water well and if that doesn't work out then I & I .

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rice said he would check with Ramah Burns and set up a meeting with him and the engineer.

D. Recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission on the Greater Community Church moving into 190 N. Main Street.

Dennis McCleary said he was a member of the Greater Community Church. He introduced his wife Tammy McCleary, Christine Thurman. Christine is their Pastor's wife. He would have been here tonight but he is in Bangladesh on a mission trip. He said all of the members are partners. He said they are here to serve. He said they are heavy on Missions. He said they are a Christian Church and they believe there is One God, they believe in Jesus Christ, He is their Lord and Savior and they believe the Bible is the inherent word of God. They feel that God lead them here. He said the Church started in October 2013 and they have been meeting in homes. They average over 20 people every Wednesday night. They haven't gotten into the Sunday services. He said God has blessed them with the funds to buy this property. They are in the beginning stages of a 15 day feasibility study. He said it was very important for them to come before the P & Z and now before you to make sure you would approve this. They are planning on just as soon as they can purchase the property making some improvements to the property. The P & Z made some recommendations and requirements on some parking - they will adhere to that. They need to know before they go firm on their contract that you will approve them moving forward. He said he would answer any questions. They are asking for their approval to occupy that building for a Church which will be a valuable asset to this community.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked if they had enough parking.

Dennis McCleary said what they are planning on doing is there is land surrounding the building. He said they can get up to 40 parking spaces. The ordinance requirement is 2 handicap spaces and 25 spaces for a group of 75. He said they have looked at what if they exceed 75. What they are planning on doing they just want to find a place for people to worship. He said there are people who can't come to a Sunday morning, but they could on Saturday night. They are going to offer several services. When they get to fill the 1st service then they will offer the 2nd service and 3rd service. They are going to split up Wednesday service into more homes. They are going to use the building for Children . They want to make this building available to the community.

Jo Ann Wilson said she welcomes them here and make sure they are friends with the Building and Fire Inspector.

Dennis McCleary said they are familiar with the fire codes and they will meet all of them. There exits open outwards.

Debbie Stewart said there is a store that sells beer next door will that make a difference.

Ramah Burns said no because the store was there first. The Church also said they would have a problem with that.

Walt Leonard, City Attorney said if they ever left they would probably have to change the use of that building. As it is not since they were there before. He said a Church is a proper use in any zoning.

Motion was made by David Wilson, seconded by Jo Ann Wilson to approve the Church with the recommendation from the P & Z Commission.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Fall Festival report

Deborah Be Craft said the Fall Festival Committee would like to thank everyone that helped organize the Festival. Although they didn't show much of a profit - it did show what could be done by having it in the Park. They did learn some valuable lessons from using the venue. That will make the next Festival more effective and showing much stronger profit. Those lessons would be as follows: Either a bounce house or water slide combo, the cash vault was a big hit but they will manage it differently so they can actually make a profit, using coupons for prizes instead of cash. They could get more cost efficient by making more of their own games - the balloon dart throw things, ring toss. The area by the pavilion needs to be blocked off for car and tractor shows. No parking for the public or vendors. She said they had plenty of parking. Over all they had great reviews for having it in the park. The public and vendors loved it. They hasn't been any negatives. She heard comments in Boyd and Newark. She wanted to thank them for giving them the opportunity and trusting them to work on this project. They would like to transfer all of their information to the next Festival Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said thank you very much. He said he knows they put in a lot of long hard hours. He said they made a little money here and if it was a breaks even deal it something they did for the citizens. They enjoyed it. He said they is a win in his books?

F. Rhome Library

Janice Wilson said she is the President of the Rhome Public Library Board. She said she was there on their behalf. She said the Rhome Public Library opened in 1960. They have been here for 54 years. It is the oldest Library in Wise County. It is the only Library in Wise County that doesn't receive support from the City it

serves. She said the Library did receive housing from the City in the 1990's but was asked to move so the space could be renovated for the Council Chambers. They have never received anything else from the city. A good Library is something the people want. Their problem is this the Library files an annual report with the Texas State Library in Austin. Because of some changes the Library was assigned a population of 31,000 people. She said since we only get county help, and all the other libraries in Wise County get help from the cities they serve, Rhome library is assigned all the rest of the county's population.

She said since they only get county help, and all the other libraries in Wise County get help from the cities they serve, Rhome library is assigned all the rest of the county's population. She said the Decatur Library, by comparison, is only assigned about 6,000 of the county's population. Having city funding will allow the Rhome Library to be reclassified as service a much smaller population. That, Wilson said, will allow it to meet much more realistic requirements based on its size and services, and qualify for grants to improve those services. She said the Library is located in a 2,000 square-foot building at 265 B. C. Rhome Ave. and is staffed with volunteers and is open just two days a week. The City of Chico gives its library about \$1,000 a month. She said they weren't asking for that, and in fact, we don't want to be responsible to the city for that. We just want \$50 a month so we can go after some grants. She said if they get the 31,000 population off of their report and get our accreditation that will help immensely. They are currently applying to the Parker Foundation to enable the Library to an automated system. They are probably the only Library in Wise County that still checks out books by signing little cards. She said they still have a catalog system. She said the Parker Foundation gives grants to small libraries only. They are the only Library in Wise County that still checks out book manually. Being automated will replace everything they are doing manually.

The Board Members have been volunteering their time 4 hours a week instead of paying a salary since the Library Director passed away last March. This way it saves money to buy more books. They are also trying to get a building on their lot on Main Street. Lack of accreditation that puts them as a large library prohibits them from applying for many grants. They would like to enter into a contract with the City of Rhome asking for \$50 a month which will help the Library to pay one of their utility bills. According to TSLAC this will qualify with the state as support and accreditation.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked if they give them any type support will it help their county funds.

Janice Wilson said no it would not - they have asked. She said they received about \$20,000 from the County.

Walt Leonard said the city needs to be able to certify that it's spending money for city purposes. They need to make sure the funding which the city furnishes which would principally the people that are citizens of the City of Rhome. The only way to be sure of that is probably request some information on how the money is being spent. That would be \$600 a year. They could indicate that the money is being used for computer programs that would be available here to Rhome residents.

Jo Ann Wilson the Library needs to show some accountability - tag it to something where we could say the citizens of Rhome uses this 80% of the time.

Walt Leonard said they aren't supposed to spend money for the county. But show where what you're doing will assist Rhome citizens. If you update your computers. The money will be used to upgrade and maintain computer access. Our citizens would far more assisted that somebody that lives out in the county.

Jo Ann Wilson said whey the Library gets E-Books they will see a tremendous increase.

Janice Wilson said if they can get the 31,000 population off of the report and accreditation will be a big thing for them. She asked would it be better \$50 a month or annually.

Ramah Burns said she thought an annual check in the amount of \$600 in October would be better than \$50 a month.

Walt Leonard said one thing Janice Wilson could do is a thank you letter to the city. You could say because of this generous contribution we hope to be able to further provide services such as computers that will be available to all Rhome residents.

Motion was made by Jo Ann Wilson, seconded by Ronnie Moore to authorize \$600 annually the Rhome Library and we will have a contract written up similar to Chico's.

Motion carried 4-1. David Wilson abstained.

G. Consideration on two (2) Council meetings a month.

Motion was made by Ronnie Moore, seconded by Jo Ann Wilson to have two (2) Regular Council meetings a month. The 2nd Thursday and the 4th Tuesday.

Motion carried unanimously.

H. Contract with Tarrant County Emergency Services District No. One (District) and City of Rhome for mutual aid service provided by the City beginning October 1, 2014 through September 30, 3015.

Motion was made by Jo Ann Wilson, seconded by David Wilson to approve the contract with Tarrant County Emergency Services District No. One.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was amended by Jo Ann Wilson, seconded by David Wilson to include - Items I. - J. and K.

Motion carried unanimously.

- I. Interlocal Agreement with City of Rhome and Wise County for Fire Protection and First Responder Services effective October 1, 2014 ending midnight September 30, 2015.**
- J. Interlocal Agreement between the City of Rhome and Wise County for Animal Control from October 1, 2014 ending midnight September 30, 2015.**
- K. Contract for Assessment and Collection Services with City of Rhome and Wise County Appraisal District beginning January 1, 2015 ending December 31, 2015.**
- I. Interlocal Agreement between City of Rhome and Wise County for Road Repair from October 1, 2014 and ending midnight September 30, 2015.**

Motion was made by Ronnie Moore, seconded by David Wilson to approve the Interlocal Agreement between City of Rhome and Wise County for \$15,000 annually for Road Repair from October 1, 2014 and ending midnight September 30, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 2. Consent Agenda: The items will be enacted with one motion. Any Council Member may remove any item from the Consent Agenda.**

A. Approval of Minutes:

- 1. September 11, 2014 - Regular Session**
- 2. September 29, 2014 - Special Session**

Motion was made by Jo Ann Wilson, seconded by Ronnie Moore to approval the minutes.

Motion carried unanimously

B. Approval of Check Registers:

September 8, 2014 through October 6, 2014

Motion was made by Jo Ann Wilson, seconded by David Wilson to approve the check registers.

Motion carried unanimously

C. Staff Reports (No action needed - items can be pulled off for discussion if necessary)

A. Department Reports: Staff Reports (No action needed.)

- 1. Police Department**
- 2. Fire Department**
- 3. Public Works**
- 4. Administration**

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington pulled Fire Department and Police Department off the Department Reports. Jo Ann Wilson pulled Administration.

Motion was made by Jo Ann Wilson, seconded by David Wilson to accept Public Works report.

Motion carried unanimously.

Police Department

Chief Brandon Davis said the council declared three (3) cars surplus. They got \$600 out of them. He said he had \$600 cash in his hand so he went and opened an account at Wells Fargo required him to open basically under the departments name and his name and he had Sergeant Pennington with him. So that was improper so they moved the \$600 to the General Fund and the account was closed. He said what he is requesting is to open an account so when the Police Department raises funds like that account would obviously everything will be accounted for just like anything else the city has. Those funds would be for recreation officers', some kind of training that comes up, different equipment so they have some discretionary funds that they can purchase those items.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said he didn't see a big problem with that. He said we have the Purchase Order system in place October 1st If any one purchase exceeds \$250 then he will need to get a PO for that.

Chief Davis said this account would not apply exactly the same as anything else in the city. He said it gives him the opportunity to not have to come to city hall and have to get a check for \$10 for Kleenex from Dollar General.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said he was there the other day when he came in to get some stuff. It does take time to come in and get a check from Ramah. She has to you get what you need and have to bring the receipt back. It eats up a lot of his time. Where if you have an account then you can just go down there and buy it. He said he needs one and probably Sam Dorsett needs one. He said we probably need to give everybody a little petty cash. If frees up some front office staff. That way Ramah isn't having to stop what she's doing to get you \$20 or \$30. He said like he said they have a PO process anything over \$250 would require a PO. He said anything up to that would be audited.

Chief Davis said in addition to that under the Texas Chief Program they have a policy under "Fiscal Management" they have a policy that they have to adhere to also.

Walt Leonard said that has not been passed by the Council. So they cannot adhere to that. That needs to be brought to the Council for review.

Chief Davis said when the policy manual is done. They have an option there do they want him to send it to them when it's (Chief Davis measure with his hands approximately 12" high) or one (1) or two (2) chapters at a time.

Walt Leonard said the simplest thing to do would send them in pieces.

Chief Davis said he has about 20 sections for them to read so far.

Jo Ann Wilson said so Brandon if you open an account at Well Fargo then you will operate basically off of a debt card.

Chief Davis said debt card, probably not primarily a debt card.

Ronnie Moore asked if this would be classified a petty cash fund is that's what this would be classified as.

Chief Davis said to him it would be a departmental account - Police Department account .

Jo Ann Wilson said for the next council meeting if they bless this and he has debt cards would this show up as an attachment to his report.

Walt Leonard said that would be a good way to do it.

Chief Davis said if they need a financial report added to his regular council they can list financial stuff. He tried to open that kind of account when he started with this and they made us open it with our names on it. He asked them why can't he just open a Police Department account.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said just attach a copy of that statement to your report

Walt Leonard said opening an account would require action from the city council or the Mayor deepening on how they set it up to do such things. Just opening an account under a department would be improper and drives the accountants crazy

Chief Davis said he is just asking to be able to spend it on money on Kleenex and suckers. But on a follow up to that also is the other topic of an impound lot. If the council blesses them with an impound lot they are ready to go. Those funds that are generated from the impound lot goes into the General Fund - he is requesting some of that for additional operating costs to go into that account. He said so they build some up.

They aren't going to be out there blowing and going out there buying stuff. He said if he needs new tires on a car and they have already met their equipment budget then he will have funds to do that with. Typically larger cities the Department Heads manage their accounts - they manage their funds. Of course the City of Rhome doesn't have \$500,000 to say here you go - Police Department go handle that.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked if it works like a petty cash account. If they bless him with \$600 in that account when he turns in those receipts do they replenish that to keep him to keep him at that number.

Walt Leonard said if they say it's coming from X source then that will be how it's feed. If it runs down to zero then it runs down to zero until they have some normal way of filling it or the council could take a budget item but the council would have to approve that first. He said on the impound lot he slimily needs to get - cause that can cost money to set it up. He said they probably needs to get some type of budgeting from the council .

Chief Davis said it is ready to go. He said he has done all of the preliminary stuff.

Walt Leonard asked do we have towing contracts, policy procedure, disposition of equipment, do they have auctioneers. He also said there are a lot of requirement they will have to go through to get it set up. He said it is fairly w complex procedure.

Chief Davis said it's ready to review - he has it already to review.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked what would be the best way to go through that - set up a work shop.

Chief Davis said he can show what the state requires then based on what the council thinks is the best option is. He said he has 40 different police departments similar to our size that. He has their policy and agreements. He has all that documentation.

Walt Leonard said they probably need to have a good set of rules and policies. He discussed this with a neighboring city a couple of months ago. You can end up with weird circumstances If you get somebody with no license, no registration and no whatever - the normal rule would be the car has got to go. On the other hand if it's a young lady with two (2) kids.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked if they could do a work shop before the next council meeting. What if they have a workshop at 6:00 p.m. and the council meeting at 7:00 p.m. on October 28th. Do the workshop on the Impound Lot and go right into the council meeting.

Jo Ann Wilson said that was to address impound lot. They still need to address the bank account.

Chief Davis said that was his questions if they design this as the impound lot then it

will feed the bank account - does that take away from the fact that those funds have to go into the General Fund.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said lets work on that at the work shop.

Michelle Pittman said that is a separate revenue account that's not petty.

Jo Ann Wilson said is she guesses that Chief Davis is saying today is has an account that has \$600 whatever in the General Fund that could go into his bank account. Tomorrow he generates \$20 of revenue will he put that directly in his account or does it have to go through General Fund to move to that account?

Michelle Pittman said it should go into the General Fund because it creates an accounting nightmare to record revenue. If we assign X number of dollars for petty cash and he provides receipts to support whatever has been spent out of petty cash we can record each of the expenses in the right account and keep track of it that way. When his petty cash runs low then he turns in a request for petty cash.

Jo Ann Wilson said petty cash is revenue from

Michelle Pittman asked how will they ever record the revenue. We have to know how to record the revenue in a month.

Chief Davis said that's how every other city does this. He doesn't know why it's such a huge ordeal in Rhome. The City of Kirby does it and other cities has their own impound lot and funds going into their account. The account has over site that accounts for every single dollar.

Ronnie Moore said it it's impound fees the city should have an account for impound fees.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said let's work on the account and the \$600 tonight and then they will and let's address the impound lot in the work shop.

Chief Davis said this is totally skeptical at this point because we don't know how many vehicles they are ever going to impound. They may never impound a single vehicle. If you estimated 50 a year that is so ambiguous that they will ever do that. The whole point is right now for him, the work shop is, the impound lot first and foremost is when you have to seize property. If he has a vehicle he needs to seize on a drug stop or drug arrest I can search that vehicle - if the vehicle is towed to Kemp's Wrecker he can't break an officer off and later on get a warrant and search that vehicle. He said he needs that vehicle in a secure facility where they can do secondary searches.

Walt Leonard said that is a secondary issue.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they are working on the bank account tonight. Then the impound stuff they will work on September 28th. He said right now they are talking about a \$600 account for the Police Department.

Chief Davis that came from selling the three (3) cars out there. He said they were lucky to get that much. They were beat up and not operational.

Jo Ann Wilson said so they can take the \$600 that's seating in the General Fund right now - they can put that in a separate bank account with Brandon Davis and whomever on the signature card. Brandon Davis has a debt card and how is that audited.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said Brandon Davis will turn in his receipts - he will put a copy of the bank account on his report to turn into the council. To feed that account right now until September 28th when he spends that money- up to \$250 - anything over \$250 will require him to have a PO. He will have to come to city hall and get a PO. He will bring his receipts into city hall and turn them in for reimbursement.

Chief Davis said his reports will have the bank reconciliation attached and not a bundle of receipts.

Michelle Pittman said Brandon Davis needs to turn in the receipts. She said turn them in for the auditor.

Chief Davis said we will maintain the receipts. So you don't want my report until I bring a box of receipts, too.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said he didn't want a box of receipts. The receipt's goes to Ramah and he can just put a copy of the bank statement on his report

Sherrie Dast has a question and she is the Court Administrator. Her first question is if he sold police cars in the amount of \$600 that was purchased out of the General Fund. She said she doesn't understand how come the funds don't go back to the General Fund and they go to a designated account.

Chief Davis said it is the General Fund.

Sherrie Dast said they are saying to move that money that you sold cars for into a Police account. Cars that were purchased from the General Fund years ago.

Chief Davis said even if those cars weren't sold.

Sherrie Dast said that's taxpayer's money. It just saying put the money you sold the cars for into a Police account it's just saying let's just have a \$600 petty cash account. She said as a Department Head she wants a petty cash. If this comes up then she is going to ask for one. She said she can justify it just as well.

Chief Davis said the court has funding from the citations.

Sherrie Dast said Court is funded by the General Fund.

Chief Davis said those cars sat back there for the last five (5) years and they didn't do anything with them. He comes here and tries to make changes in the Police Department. He said he goes out there in 115 degree heat and he cleaned those cars and sell them in an effort to generate some funds so the Police Department can get training, equipment and things they need that's regularly budgeted and everybody wants to criticize him. (He got really agitated) He said if anybody has any better ideas to generate funds for that police department by all means take these - (Brandon Davis gestured holding out his Chief insignia on his collar) and get it done.

Sherrie Dast said she is not criticizing him. I'm not talking to your hand Brandon.

Brandon Davis said yes you are.

Sherrie Dast said no she wasn't. You have to be opened minded like everybody else. She said to Brandon Davis – I'm not talking to your hand, Brandon. (Brandon Davis held his hand up like to stop her).

Motion was made by David Wilson that the \$600 stay exactly where it is right now until we have this meeting - until they have a workshop and decide whether or not there will ever be a Police Department Fund per se or whether the impound fees will go into General Fund or where they will go. Leave it just like it is right now until then and stop all of the arguing and all this. Motion was seconded by Michelle Pittman.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Davis said the next items are the cars. He asked are we going to take them out of service, or auction them.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said Mayor Godfrey asked Brandon to take two (2) cars out of service because they were not safe to drive on the road.

Chief Davis said they are safe to drive on the road - they are operational. He said wherever information that was fed to him that said they weren't operational. But he was given the order to take them out of service.

Ronnie Moore asked where did the information come from.

Chief Davis said he had no idea. He said the Mayor just sent him a message one day to take them out of service and put the Tahoe's in service.

Ronnie Moore asked where the Mayor come up with the information that they weren't qualified to run to up and down the road.

Chief Davis said his assumption is one (1) officer talking to him and telling him direct information.

Ronnie Moore said that doesn't make sense.

Jo Ann Wilson said that happened October 18th that Department Heads manage their own resources.

Walt Leonard said they changed that at the last Special meeting. So that issue is actually moot. Although, if the council is interested in the subject they could probably request a report on the status of those vehicles and if they need any repairs. But that needs to be budgeted and addressed.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked Chief Davis if he feels they are safe to drive down the highway.

Chief Davis you know in retrospect those are two (2) of the oldest cars that he put in rotation – that we could get some more use out of. In reality there are three (3) cars we could take out. But those are the two (2) oldest cars and problem should be taken out of service but not without replacing them.

David Wilson said that wasn't the questions. The question is are the cars safe to function in a daily use day in and day out.

Ronnie Moore said as of right now – until maybe we can replace them.

Walt Leonard asked if there is anything where they will be properly functional.

Chief Davis said start, drive and all the electronic work.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said if Chief Davis feels like they are safe put them back on the highway.

Dana Gillock, Administrative Assistant said I want to address how it got back to the Mayor. She said her son is a former Rhome Police Officer.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington but they aren't sure how it got to Mayor Godfrey.

Dana Gillock said Robert told her on one occasion his car stalled out and had to call a wrecker. She said she reported this told Mayor Godfrey and Ramah Burns and even talked with Brandon Davis about it. She said on another occasion he was driving a separate vehicle that had no dash lights. She said he told her and she reported it. She said that's how the information –

Ronnie Moore said he had a question – if there was a problem with the car why didn't he go this man – Chief Davis and not to you.

Dana Gillock said he did go to his Corporal which he was told to do. From this point on I think it needs to be discussed between the lawyers instead of trying to have it out here.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said to Chief Davis if you feel they're safe to put on the road. If they need repairs get them a number amount.

Walt Leonard said if they are function but need work then they need to know about it.

David Wilson said if one of his officer reports to you that there is a malfunction of some sorts in that car get that fixed immediately. He said if you have to pull it out of service for a day or two (2) days whatever get it done. Keep the cars in safe working condition for all of them. If they have a problem and if they don't reach satisfaction from you - then they need to come to us.

Chief Davis said those two (2) cars are operational – are they pretty, do they have low mileage – no but they are operational. He said there is a system in place for the rotation of vehicles. But the issue at hand was, “take those two (2) cars out of service and give the two (2) Tahoe's – the newest vehicles to the officers to drive around”.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked if Chief Davis feels that the two (2) cars are safe to put on the highway.

Chief Davis said they are operational.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said thank you sir anything else.

Fire Department Report

Captain Jason Neagle said the Fire Department has a 1983 fire truck they would like to start at \$10,000. They would like to get the money to remodel the station or use some of the money to pay off the squad.

Walt Leonard said the money would go back to the General Fund then they can decide what to do with it.

Jo Ann Wilson asked how do they advertise this.

Captain Neagle said there are web sites.

Jo Ann Wilson asked do they need a motion.

Walt Leonard said yes that is city property.

Motion was made by David Wilson to allow the Fire Department to advertise the sale of the surplus 1983 fire truck. Motion was seconded by Ronnie Moore.

Motion carried unanimously.

Captain Neagle said they have 15 members now. He said two (2) did leave. He said training is going good.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said Jason has been doing training in house on Monday's at the fire hall. They haven't had to go anywhere else. He said they have anywhere from 8 to 15. It's turned out to be a big success.

Captain Neagle said Engine 17 is back from the shop. That's going to be their primary engine now. The Squad is in the shop getting cabinets installed.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked if they were still short pagers.

Assistant Fire Chief Pittman said they are short radios – pagers they are good on.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said in the future when they get some money. He asked him to tell them about the Day Room. He said where the bunker gear is it full with the new members.

Captain Neagle said they have several members that stay at the station during the day and at night. In the back bay they want to build two (2) offices a supply room and turn the office/day room into the day room. That way the Chief and Assistant Chief can have offices. Right now everyone comes in the office/day room.

Administration Report

Jo Ann Wilson said the monument they want to put in the Veteran's Park. She spoke with a granite supplier – he is going to get back with her. He is suggesting 1 ½ inches in grey granite engraved with black letters. She said hopefully by the next meeting you will have that information. She asked Ramah Burns if the Purchase Orders' are working ok and does everyone have their own numbers.

Ramah Burns said the Department Heads call or send an email and get a PO number. We issue the PO number and get it right back to them.

Jo Ann Wilson she said if she wanted to come in and say how many PO's have the Fire Department has. She asked if they have their own numbering system.

Ramah Burns said QuickBooks issues the PO numbers by Class. They are separate. We have only had about five (5) issued.

3. Old Business:

A. Update from Mayor on Engineer and Building Official.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said the Mayor is not here tonight but he has talked to a Building Official Robert Lynn from Boyd. We can't approve it tonight – official tonight because it wasn't put on the agenda. He said they can authorize it for a one time.

Ronnie Moore asked who all has talked with this man. He has sit down and discussed what is going on.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said Louis Godfrey as far as I know.

Ramah Burns said they authorized the Mayor at the last meeting to hire a Building Official and the City of Boyd uses him.

Walt Leonard said as far as he knows they don't have a problem with him. He said in the interim you could use him at an ad hock basis. At the next meeting you can have this as an agenda item and talk with him on October 28th agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they are going to use him on an as needed basis.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said and they are going to take a 10 minute recess and have cake and coffee.

4. Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said it was 9:30 pm and he calling the meeting back to order and they are going to recess into Executive Session – Section 551.074- Personnel – City Secretary – 1. Communication 2. Cooperation 3. Job Description.

Motion was made by David Wilson to adjourn into Executive Session at 9:30 pm seconded by Ronnie Moore.

Motion carried 4-1 Michelle Pittman abstained.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked Ramah Burns to come back to Executive Session at 10:40 pm.

Ramah Burns said she wanted to have the Executive Session in the open.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they are out of Executive Session back back in Regular Session for the Executive Session at 10:40 pm

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said Ramah Burns, City Secretary chose to have the Executive Session out here which is her right.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said Ramah we have been making a review of your job duties and City Secretary. He said some things they have come up with that we would like to see you change. He said let him go forth. When this council got seated they said they were going to review all Department Heads. He said they started doing that and had a changed over with the Public Works Director Sam Dorsett, Preston Gilliam left and Sam come in. He said so they got off of that tonight with Ramah. He said they will be going forth at every council meeting following this one a Department Head to review your job duties and job description.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said everything looked good. They found one thing on there that says your job title is Human Resource Director. He said you do Human Resource stuff – you are not the Human Resource Director. He said something else that has come up is about the mail comes in. If it comes in addressed to a Council Member or a Department Head – don't open it. Please don't open it. Just leave that alone.

Ramah Burns said so if there is a check inside – is the Department Head suppose to bring it back.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said yes they would bring it back.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said there are some issues and he and I talked about this. He just wanted to touch on this. He said on the KFW Properties that he works with. The guy that he works with called him about the KFW property by the horse farm where he said you told him "that it would not ever no way be zoned Heavy Industrial."

Ramah Burns said she did not tell him that. I told him someone had requested re-zoning to Heavy Industrial and the Planning & Zoning Commission made a recommendation to the City Council to leave the property Light Industrial. The City Council upheld the decision and left the property Light Industrial.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said if I wasn't comfortable making that decision send it on to the P & Z – send it to the Council. He said don't make that call yourself.

Ramah Burns said she has never told anyone that.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said Bill the guy that wants to build in By Well Estates said that you said it would be ok with asphalt streets and he said our ordinances call for any new addition to have concrete streets.

Ramah Burns said about 6 or 7 years ago people came to the city about building in By Well Estates and putting in concrete streets. The people in Phase 1 were asked if they wanted concrete streets and they said no they didn't want concrete streets they wanted asphalt so they would all look the same.

David Wilson said it wasn't their call. He said didn't remember that particular time.

Walt Leonard said he remembered people saying they preferred the asphalt streets. They would have to follow the guidelines of the Planning & Zoning. They could ask for a variance.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they have asked in the past that anybody that comes in with – don't tell them they can do it or they can do it. He said send it on to the P & Z. He said they have people in place right now and building official P & Z and Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington asked if there is any way they could get a list – and this maybe more in Dana Gillock's rim than yours – some kind of list of outstanding water bills. Maybe addresses only not names – but what is outstanding in the money. How much is outstanding just put that in with your monthly report. He said a 30, 60, 90, 120 day outstanding.

Dana Gillock said every month we bill several reports are generated. She said we can turn them over to AMS Collection Agency.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said that is all he has on his.

Jo Ann Wilson said several were going to ask Ramah is there anything she needs from the Council.

Ramah Burns said the office is so busy since Sherry Taylor retired. She said she Dana Gillock entered over \$1.2 million dollars into the AMS Collection Agency. The city has collected \$100,000 since April 2014. Sherrie Dast, the new Court Administrator is turning files over. Anyone that's late a late fee is added, she enter a charge from FTA fee and entering citations into AMS Collections. As much revenue that we can generate that's what we are doing.

Jo Ann Wilson asked if there was any way to stream line that.

Ramah Burns said Sherrie Dast is doing it.

Jo Ann Wilson said she meant is what you're doing now could it be done any differently. She said she knows Dana Gillock and I spent a lot of time on court. He there any way that maybe only one (1) of us would assist Sherrie and the other keep us working on their primary job.

Ramah Burns said Dana Gillock still handles the daily water accounts. She gets payments in on her computer, then disburses them to water or court. Then if Sherrie gets one that needs to be released from OMNI then she will release them or Dana will. She said that everything has done a lot.

Jo Ann Wilson said that we are all doing well – she is not saying that. Is there anything that would make it run smoother?

Dana Gillock said it's not that it's running smoother. It's just that since Sherrie has been here – she is generating a lot more – because she is on top of things. Sherrie writes letters on past due accounts and adds a late fee. She said the call volume in court has at least doubled from what it used to be. So if Sherrie is helping someone at the counter and the phones are ringing, we help that person on the phone.

Jo Ann Wilson said it seems like what few times I'm in city hall there is at least two (2) people involved with court. Usually Sherrie is up to here and one (1) of you all. It's got to be very disruptive.

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Dana Gillock said that is part of the multitasking and being an Administrative Assistant. She said it's so much better with Sherrie Dast here. She didn't see a problem. Some days or harder than others like when it coincides with water billing out or some project. It is way better now.

Michelle Pittman asked if we feel like we've been given all the training we need on soft ware. Do I feel like there is something?

Ramah Burns said she needs to take a Public Law Investment course.

Jo Ann Wilson asked if I could schedule that.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they are going to ask all city employees that are here tonight and the ones that aren't here – we will ask them tomorrow he said he would get with the Mayor and visit with him. He said everybody has been kind of on edge for the last month – we need to get a handle on it – we need not to be at each other's throats. If we get somebody that comes in to the front window whether they're helping with a project – any of these people be as courteous as we can. It maybe that we have to set up a time if you're running flyers for them and if you're doing some other work that we have to set up a time to go in the back office to do it and not do it out front.

Ramah Burns said it's disruptive when we're asked to make copies and Dana's is making brochures and people are wondering around because we have personnel files on our desk, we have people have late payments on our desk. The public doesn't need to be walking around there where we are. Some people that we don't let in may think we are rude – we have a lot of confidential things back there.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they want to continue those does things for the citizens of Rhome. When we're helping them let's try and make it convenient for them whether we set up another computer to do that sort of thing. He said he knows we have a small place and you all have a lot going on during the day. If Sherrie is busy then maybe we can let the court line go to and answering machine.

Ramah Burns said a couple of months ago a lightning storm blew out Dana's phone and our voice messaging system on our phone. CenturyLink is trying to find one.

Ronnie Moore asked if he could chime in because we aren't going to discuss anything. One thing he would like to address and he has been told this. He has never caught it himself. But I was told I was a good subject in that office about every day. He said he would appreciate it if he wasn't the topic of the subject in there most of the time. He said its Ronnie Moore and the concrete. Not just him but any council person. It's not a good thing to do that. That's the way he looks at it.

Ramah Burns said we have council members come in and condemning other council members. We have other Department Heads coming in here and saying Charles is out of line to do this – Brandon did that this week.

Brandon Davis yelled out that's a lie

Ramah Burns said Brandon Davis said he should have come to him –

Brandon Davis said he wasn't going to listen to any of this garbage.

Ramah Burns said shh - I'm talking

Brandon Davis said he was talking, too.

David Wilson said settle down - and yelled hey hey, hey.

Ramah Burns said, "I'm fixing to tell some truth here!" Tell me this isn't true.

Brandon Davis said talking about people coming in distracting you.

David Wilson yelled Brandon Davis, said come out here - come out here with me now!

Brandon Davis said Robert Gillock can come in anytime he wants to

David Wilson yelled at Brandon Davis come with me now.

David Wilson and Brandon Davis left the meeting at 10:48 pm and never returned.

Ramah Burns asked Charles Pennington if he told Karen, the cat lady, if she could take food to the police department.

Charles Pennington said yes he did.

Ramah Burns said Brandon Davis came into city hall and told us that you (Charles Pennington had no right do that. Charles had no right to do that. Brandon Davis said you did not come to him and you had no right to do that. Let me tell you something about Robert Gillock – this is about sexual harassment.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said it doesn't need to come out here.

Ramah Burns said no, Brandon Davis brought him up.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said it doesn't need to come out here.

Ramah Burns asked if she could read the Personnel Manuel.

Ronnie Moore said no not tonight.

Ramah Burns said we're talking about Personnel.

Dana Gillock said Ronnie Moore if you're the topic of conversation-

Ronnie Moore said I've had two (2) people tell me that.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said we have to take down a notch to make this city run.

Ramah Burns said but you're telling us not to talk about Ronnie Moore.

Ronnie Moore said he asking please leave my name out.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said he asked everybody not only you all but everybody.

Ramah Burns said they you all come in and run each other. We heard it all of the time.

Sherrie Dast told Charles Pennington every time you came in I thought you were Ronnie Moore.

Ramah Burns said she would like to say not to talk about anybody but if anyone else comes into city hall and talks about somebody's sexual preference and their life – Department Heads are doing that.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said that should not be done.

Ramah Burns said they filled out complaints about that person but we can't turn it in because you all wouldn't accept it so it hasn't gone anywhere. It's not any bodies busy what sexual preference.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said not none. Everybody needs to take it down and let's run the city. There are a lot of good things happening.

Ramah Burns told Charles Pennington to tell Karen the cat lady without talking with Chief Davis first. How dare you! He said Charles didn't talk with him.

Dana Gillock said and there is so much that could be said when he comes in and starts talking about what he is going to do. She said she feels like we're being singled out. We aren't causing trouble – we do our jobs.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said you all are not getting singled out. They wanted to do this.

Dana Gillock said Ronnie Moore said we are talking about him every day.

Ronnie Moore said he is sure we have never talked out him.

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Ramah Burns said there is someone in By Well Estates complaint a lot about a truck parking out there. Chief Davis said he is going to find something doing wrong and write them a ticket. She said we have pages here of comments that we needed to turn in to you all.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington why didn't you turn them in to us.

Ramah Burns said because you all circled Chief Davis and protected him.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they didn't circle him.

Michelle Pittman said to turn in – if you have complaints that are violations of what they have in the Personnel Manual, please turn them in so they can address it. Whatever it is because no matter who does it.

Dana Gillock said obviously you've heard some ones side of the story. But nobody has ever come to us and said hey I've been told this and I'd appreciate it if you tell me what went on.

Ronnie Moore said it had gotten to the point I wouldn't come in the office unless I had another council member with him. He said he tried not to because he was afraid.

Dana Gillock said she doesn't enjoy hearing bad things about other people. If you're sitting there saying you have heard this and this is going on – on a daily basis she would like to know who's accusing her of this.

Michelle Pittman said they need to file a complaint. They need to turn in a complaint to the Council and let them look at it.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said let's not let everything turn into a complaint. If I call Ramah the Chicken Lady!

Ronnie Moore said on his deal is not saying we are treating him bad. But if we're talking about him stop.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they are asking is as a council let's get a handle on this.

Sherrie Dast said give us consideration if we are accused of something. She said as the new person in here. She doesn't know any of you people until recently. She said she can tell them on two (2) occasions there were outbursts in the city hall and Ms. Wilson did see it – but allowed it to go on. It was unfortunate.

Ronnie Moore said he didn't think Jo Ann Wilson allowed it to go on because he was here too.

Ramah Burns said no you were there the 2nd time.

Sherrie Dast said no that was the 2nd time. She said she pointed it out to Ms. Wilson. Did you not?

Jo Ann Wilson said yes she did and she asked what should we do if there is some that is agitated. She said her reply was to get and walk to the back.

Sherrie Dast said no ma'am you said ask them to leave.

Jo Ann Wilson said right if it's just somebody then go ahead and leave. She said how do I deal with an irate person – she said I said walk to the back don't encounter.

Sherrie Dast told her she did not tell us to walk to the back.

Jo Ann Wilson said or just walk away.

Michelle Pittman said if an angry person is there they should be on the other side of the counter. If it was behind the glass she would call for the Police Chief to come up there and escort them out.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said over the last month or so we have had some turmoil. We want to quite that. Tonight we want this to be the end of it.

Ramah Burns said at a Park Board meeting she doesn't need to be talked about. People in attendance at the meeting have to stop people that are talking about me at a regular meeting that I'm being accused of stuff and not even there.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said he hopes this doesn't happen any move. If it happens then you've got the Mayor phone number and our telephone numbers, call one of them.

Dana Gillock said she can tell you what happens when you do that. She said she brought her concerns about the safety of the officer's to her boss, to the Mayor and you know what happened.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they should be taken to the Mayor. What were the results.

Dana Gillock said it was a retaliatory action towards the person that told me.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said let them address that there are not retaliatory results

Dana Gillock said we can write statements and file them but its things like that make you lose confidence.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said they made the complaints to the Mayor. He said he called him yesterday and asked if he was going to be here. A lot of the

complaints were made to him – he said if he is going to lead our city – he should have been there to lead this city forward. He said he is not. He said he has an issue with that that he will take up with him.

Dana Gillock said they are the only ones that power to do anything about it.

Michelle Pittman said what about if they have people that turn in a complaint – copy the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. It's not just going to one person.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said he apologies he didn't know we had have many complaints. Louis should have passed them on to them which he did not. He knows Louis has been mad – that we hired Chris back which I'm fine with that. He saw him Sunday morning driving down the road. If Louis is going to be Mayor of this city he needs to step up and be Mayor of this city. Not turn tail and run when it gets tough. If you made complaints to him he should have passed them on to them so they could have done something about them. They have had a break down in chain of command. He said he sorry. He said if we bring it to his attention he will do everything in his power. He said he is just one vote. He will doing everything to make sure it doesn't happen again

Ramah Burns said she will tell them one thing – when things started changing is when we got that bank statement in the mail. She said when she showed the Mayor and he said to go down there to the bank and find out what's going on. I emailed the Mayor the CPA that's when everything straight South. Everything has changed since that bank account.

Dana Gillock said that the bank statement looks like any other bank statement. When you have half dozen bank statements, and they all go to Ramah. She said she always opens her mail and gets it ready for her and she does the same thing with Sherrie's and Sam's mail. She said she opened those letters from the bank. She said realized after she looked at it maybe they didn't go to Ramah and I gave them to her. She said that she has never opened any mail to Ronnie Moore or Michelle Pittman, etc - only those letters from like Sam's Talem Lab.

Ronnie Moore asked how the letter was addressed. Who was it addressed to.

Dana Gillock said Rhome Police Department and it was in the Wells Fargo envelope with the logo. It looked like every other bank statement. It looked like every other one I get. She said she was opening them and putting them out flat and putting them in her box.

Ramah Burns said every since then – when the Mayor wrote Brandon Davis a memo he has not answered the Mayor back one time. That's when Brandon Davis started going directly to you all, the Council circumventing the Mayor. Brandon Davis is ignoring the Mayor totally. The Brandon Davis sent a memo to you that if you want to look at the bank statement the Council can fill out an open records request. She said you know what – you all don't have to fill out an open records request. He didn't say anything about the Mayor.

But he is telling you the Council you're going to fill out an open records request if I'm going to give you the bank statement.

Ronnie Moore said Brandon Davis never told him that.

Ramah Burns said it was in the memo Brandon Davis set to all of the City Council and Walt Leonard has a copy.

Dana Gillock said we are not provided with a monthly schedule for the officer's. The other day we didn't know who was on duty and we had to call the Sherriff's Department to have an officer dispatched.

Ramah Burns said that's when everything changed is with that bank statement. She said she went down to the bank and asked them if it was opened with the City tax number. They told me no. I showed them the two (2) statements with Brandon Davis and Thomas Pennington's names on them. On the statement it said they would transfer money. I asked them if this account was attached to the city bank accounts. They told me no, it was not. It was an individual account. She said that's when everything changed. Everything stopped with the Mayor and everything started going to you all. She said that's when everything changed and it went straight South.

Ronnie Moore said he thinks he opened up a can of worms.

Ramah Burns said no she is just telling them the truth.

Michelle Pittman said they have to be honesty because they are never going to move forward until we are open and honest about what's going on.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said he is sorry that everything didn't follow the chain of command. He said everybody tone it down and let's get back on an even kilter. He said he is going to call Louis and try to visit with him tomorrow a little bit and see if we can get back on the right road. He said maybe he and Louis can sit down and visit with Brandon Davis. He said he didn't know what we need to do with him (Brandon Davis). He said he would visit with Louis about that in the morning.

Dana Gillock said she wished they would read our statements.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said to send them on to them.

Ramah Burns said would email them to you tonight.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said you don't have to do it now. You can do it tomorrow.

Ramah Burns said no I'll do it right now.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said like he said he was sorry they didn't get them.

He said everything may have come out totally different if they had received them a month ago if they had got those statements. He said if we gave them to Louis.

Ramah Burns said they wrote them on September 23rd.

Sherrie Dast said understand that when we are in the front office and you have a Department Head that comes and shares about individual employees. We aren't asking what's going on. She said every time she said Mr. Pennington they ask Thomas or Charles. But there are comments all of the time where he share inappropriate things.

Michelle Pittman said don't be shy in saying that's not appropriate for the city office. And leave it at that. If they don't take the hint that what they are saying is not appropriate – please tell them. She said you will not get in trouble for speaking up.

Dana Gillock said you've seen it the type of reaction you try and steer the conversation another way.

Ramah Burns said there was the fit is threw about NISD. He said the Council isn't telling him anything – the Mayor isn't telling me anything and if they do Brandon Davis said he would walk. He said he through a fit out there. She said he threw a fit tonight at the podium tonight.

Dana Gillock said he pulled her in the Council Chambers for an hour or maybe 45 minutes one day to discuss her son – Robert Gillock.

Michelle Pittman said it wasn't Brandon Davis' place to discuss another employee with you.

Dana Gillock said she is not his mother when she is at work.

Michelle Pittman said to please write that in an email or statement because no other employee should be discussing another employee.

Dana Gillock said even in writing Brandon Davis said he has your support, that he has discussed this with you and he's go your backing.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said like he tells his guys that believe anything until you hear until you hear it from the horse's mouth and you come to him. He said anybody can write anything they want to. He said so until you come to him. He said if you hear it about Charles Pennington – and he told Louis Godfrey this – he has told everybody this – until you hear it on the street – you better not believe it until you come to me and ask me. If you come to me and ask me he will tell you the God honest truth. But don't believe it if you hear it out there and going around – don't believe it

Dana Gillock said she would ask to give us the same courtesy.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said let's take it down a notch. Let's all try and move it forward from here. He said put what of this we can behind us. We have a lot of things happening come forth here to the city. Let's thing about moving this city forward, growing it with more infrastructures – going on with Pioneer Days – the Fall Festival which was a blast – the thing they did in the park the other night – National Night Out didn't turn out quite the way they wanted it to with Marie Moore going to the hospital. But she is ok and back at home. Let's focus on doing things like this and growing this city forward. Just like a while ago they were talking about radios – I depend a lot on Ramah and her to tell me how much money we've got. He said if they can't afford them right now. Until the boot drive they need to wait. So let's put everything behind us – it's a late night – does anybody have anything else.

Jo Ann Wilson asked if they need to revisit this at the next meeting – well not the next but the following next.

Mayor Pro Tem Pennington said everybody tone it down – try to take it down – they will all do the same. They are going to try and visit with all of the Department Heads – Sam Dorsett is the only one left. He said he would get with Louis and we'll visit with him and revisit this at the next Council Meeting in November and see if things have got better or if they have got worse. We will revisit this Executive Session on November 13th.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Future agenda items:

Jeff Be Craft - Storage building

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:16 p.m.

CERTIFICATION:

Passed and approved on this the 13th of November, 2014.

Charles Pennington
Mayor Pro Tem

Ramah Burns
City Secretary