

WORKSHOP
February 3, 2014

The City of Giddings City Council held a Workshop on Monday, February 3, 2014. Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones opened the Workshop at 6:05 P. M. Present: Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones, Council members Joel Lopez, Gene Parker, Doug Gaeke, Alan Casey; City Manager Ricky Jorgensen, City Secretary Jessica Graefe , and City Attorney Michelle Weiser. Also, present: Finance Director Clifton Wachsmann, Fire Chief Jimmy Mitschke, Fire Captain/Fire Marshal David Burttschell, Interim Police Chief Wademeyer, Captain Ramsey, EDC President John Simmang, David True, and Paula Schatte. Absent: Mayor Charlie Brown.

The Workshop was called to discuss and review information regarding the financing/purchase of a Quint/ Ladder Truck for the Giddings Volunteer Fire Department.

The following options were discussed:

1. Bond Election- long process/does not meet May election deadline, with no timeline until a bond advisor and counsel is hired.
2. Charter Referendum (Article XV.)- council can put item on ballot, which is not binding on council. It lets council know whether or not the citizens want the truck. Another election can then be held, which is binding.
3. Public Hearing – council can hear the views of citizens without the cost of an election.
4. Council votes on purchasing a truck with city funds.

The option to hold a public hearing on Monday, February 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. was suggested.

No official action was taken during the Workshop.

The Workshop closed at 6:49 P. M.

Jessica Graefe, City Secretary

APPROVED: _____
Fred Jones, Mayor Pro Tem