Ambulance Joint Committee Meeting

Lee County/City of Giddings

March 10, 2014

The following were present: Mayor Charlie Brown, Council Member Alan Casey; City Attorney Tim Kleinschmidt; County Judge Paul Fischer, County Commissioner Douglas Hartfield; County Attorney Martin Placke. Also in attendance: City Manager Ricky Jorgensen, City Secretary Jessica Graefe; David True; Sylvin Mersiovsky, Rodney and Gina Mersiovsky. Absent: City Attorney Michelle Weiser.

I. Call to Order

Judge Fischer called to order the committee meeting at 1:32 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10, 2014, at the Lee County Courthouse.

II. Cmments from the public

No comments.

III. Discuss current emergency medical services contracts and future needs

Council Member Alan Casey addressed the option of extending the current contract for another 5 years to Rodney Mersiovsky with no increase in funding.

Rodney Mersiovsky addressed two reasons for funding increase:
1) Third crew needed as paid standby, but not at $12 an hour
2) $50,000 reserved for equipment replacement

County Attorney –
- this contract needs to be looked at as a complete new business with a new owner
- current contract states that third ambulance will be used if needed
- Would like to have a break down to justify the increase
- A 6 month break down of when the third ambulance and crew was on a call

Mayor Brown –
- Keep contract as is till it expires in 2016 and bring back to city council during budget process with proposal

Tim Kleinschmidt –
- If the funding proposal is brought back to the city council and county commissioners during the budget process it should be posted as a joint meeting to have the presentation given at one time.

A third committee meeting will be scheduled in 3 weeks.

IV. Adjournment

County Commissioner Douglas Hartfield moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by County Attorney Martin Placke.

County Judge adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jessica Graefe, City Secretary