



Special Presentation
Monday, February 3, 2025 at 3:00 PM

1. Call to Order

Mayor Mike Callis called the meeting to order at 03:03 PM.

2. Roll Call

Present: Alderman Ellis, Alderman Jennings, Alderman McDowell, Vice-Mayor Thompson, Alderman Woodall

Also Present: Mayor Mike Callis, Assistant City Recorder Tracy Kizer

Absent: Alderman Cole, Alderman Hall

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to: Approve Agenda

By: Vice-Mayor Thompson

Second: Alderman Jennings

Yes: Alderman Ellis, Alderman Jennings, Alderman McDowell, Vice-Mayor Thompson, Alderman Woodall

Absent: Alderman Cole, Alderman Hall

Motion Passed (voice vote)

4. Public Comments

- No one spoke

5. Discussion

A. TDEC ARPA Grant - Gallatin Mayor Paige Brown started the presentation.

Gallatin Public Utilities Superintendent David Kellogg updated the current status and welcomed any questions:

- Superintendent Kellogg expressed there is a tight time frame.
- The short and long term questions need to be answered soon.
- The first decision is how much water Portland wants, so the pipe size can be determined.
- Castalian Springs has not confirmed if they are in the grant process.

During the discussion, the following points were made:

- The Grant Coordinator, Laralee Page, CDP
- explained, once all the bid documents were completed, there would be 90 days for grant documents to be signed.
- Mayor Brown advised all participants in the grant would have to agree to follow the 3rd party pay study and that could not be completed until all bids were complete and documents signed.
- Mayor Callis advised that if Gallatin or White House takes over or Portland keeps the water, there will have to be infrastructure updated which would require a rate increase.
- Mayor Brown explained, the city would lose control of several aspects if you give up your water utility.
- Laralee Page explained the State Grant deadline for all money to be spent is September 30, 2026.
- Mayor Brown advised she would give Castalian Springs until this Friday, 2/7/25, to commit to be part of the grant.
- Laralee Page advised the right away process has been completed, so changing the route is not an option.
- Director Price advised there is a plan if we need a direct route.

The Board expressed their thanks for how much help Gallatin's staff had been during this project.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Vice-Mayor Thompson

Motion passed by voice vote to adjourn at 3:49.


Mike Callis, Mayor


Tracy Kizer, City Recorder