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such a small staff making this operation work smoothly. Mr. Hamby said having Mr. Bedford looking at the finances is good since we have a small staff. Teresa Ballard asked about the EDC side of the audit. Asking if everything was good or is there anything we should change. Mr. Hamby EDC audit was fine, and the town is growing and that is a positive thing.

Mayor Pro-Tem Gwen Dyess made a motion to approve September 30, 2022, audit as presented by Merritt, McLane & Hamby P.C. Seconded by Zach Davidson Motion carried.3/0.

Mayor introduced the Coke County commissioners George Sparks and Henry Chisholm. Mayor Paul Gohman explained that the EMS as it is now, cannot sustain what we have in place for very long. He opened the room to discussion. Everett Bedford with the hospital district stated that the hospital district could not fund the EMS service as it is right now. He stated that they are willing to do the administrative services if a tax increase can fund it in full. The representatives from the volunteer EMS, the commissioners held an open discussion with the council members. Mayor Gohman will set up a steering committee to discuss how to keep our EMS in service. Discussion only.

Council member RA Morris arrived at 6:19 pm.

Mayor Gohman discussed appeal for livestock/fowl permit at 715 E. Main Street. The Mohler's explained the pigs are house broken and the fowls has enough room on the property not bothering anyone. There is an ordinance for no pigs inside city limits and only 15 fowl. Mayor Pro-Tem Gwen Dyess made the motion to deny the permit for livestock/fowl permit because of pigs and fowl permit for too many fowl at the address 715 E. Main Street residing in the city limits of the City of Bronte. Seconded by Mike Bailey. 3/1 Zach Davidson abstained. Motion carried.

Mike Bailey made the motion to approve the EDC Loan Forgiveness Grant to Erica Verfurth, The Ivey Courts, LLC for \$50K. Seconded by Zach Davidson. 3/1 Mayor Pro Tem Gwen Dyess abstained. Motion carried.

Zach Davidson made the motion to suspend the water rate discount to the Humble Road customers at the end of April 2023. Seconded by Mike Bailey. 4/0. Motion carried.

Zach Davidson made the motion to put stop signs at George and SE Railroad. Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Gwen Dyess. 4/0. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Gwen Dyess made the motion to accept the March 16, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes and Aging Report as presented. Seconded by RA Morris. 4/0. Motion carried.

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## **Informational Reports**

Mayor Paul Gohman Announced that 15 packets have been picked up for the sale of the property. The city is looking for more options to buy land to expand the cemetary.

Utility Director Ricky Royal reported Michael Crane and Ken Coalson will be going to class next month. Michael will be starting on his wastewater license. Reported we had a couple leaks last month.

City Secretary Teresa Ballard announced that there will be a summit next month and if anyone wants to attend just let her know.

City Council Mike Bailey asked to consider a city tax ordinance on the Motel.

With no further business, Mayor Gohman announced the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Paul Gohman, Mayor

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Teresa Ballard, City Secretary