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The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Stormy Vaughn asked the City Secretary, with the financial consultant's help, to research water debt fund and sales tax income for February through April for the General Fund and Water Fund. Steve Hines asked about the City's TMRS contribution. Ricky Royall explained the City contributions. The City Secretary will provide Steve Hines the minutes and TMRS correspondence. Ron Cooper made the motion to table the General Fund and Water Fund and accept the Aging Report, Sewer, Sanitation, Grant, and Cemetery Reports for February, March, and April. He was seconded by Lee Wommack and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Mayor's Report

The City is looking in to a payment drop box for resident use. The mayor will be scheduling a special meeting so Eckert can go over the audit and have the financial consultant in attendance as well. Dates will be sent out to Council Members to choose from. The City would like to assign Sheriff's Office Deputy Neal domestic animal, livestock, and fowl ordinances and assign Deputy Roberson to junked vehicles and nuisance ordinances.

Utility Director's Report

Robert Lee did have an overage or \$1,100 and there is a slim chance of getting the inmates this year due to COVID-19. The Convenience Center was open May 9, from 8 am to noon and there were 12 appointments.

City Secretary's Report

Municipal Court will be held June 2 at 1 pm and there is one case on the docket. All employees have completed Cyber Security Training. The System for Award Management (SAM) has been renewed for City Hall, Economic Development, and the Fire Department for 2020. The budget seminar was canceled for May 28 but the City Secretary will get a recorded webinar and handouts to share with the Council Members and financial consultant. The City Secretary has been attending weekly webinars with municipal clerks discussing the challenges being faced with COVID-19. She also attended the TML Webinar COVID-19 update and an email was sent to all Council Members. The City offices are closed Monday, May 25, for Memorial Day.

Ron Cooper would like a focus group to brain on crime, dilapidated buildings, etc. Santiago Rodriguez would like to put EMS training on the next agenda and amendments to the budget. Stormy Vaughn said the A/C needs to be fixed in the tracker. Ricky Royall reported that the part has been ordered. Lee Wommack would like to have in writing the procedure

and process for the permit committee.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.

June 11, 2020

The Bronte City Council met in special session at Bronte City Hall, on Thursday, June 11, 2020, at 6:30 pm. An audio recording can be requested through the Public Information Act through City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Paul Gohman and a quorum was established. Those in attendance included Council Members Santiago Rodriguez, Lee Wommack, Ron Cooper, and Stormy Vaughn, Utilities Director Ricky Royall, and City Secretary Teresa Ballard. City Attorney Eileen M. Hayman was not requested to attend the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Paul Gohman and prayer was offered by Lee Wommack.

There were no citizen comments.

Megan Solsberry, auditor from Eckert CPA, went over the Annual Financial report Year Ended September 30, 2019, to Council. Page three starts the Independent Auditor's Report. On pages three through seven is the management's discussion and analysis and shows a particularly good understanding of what took

place this year. There were three findings. Overall, the audit is better than it has been in the past few years. With the EDC loaning businesses money, it is important to make sure the EDC board is collecting the quarterly 941's per performance agreement.

Stormy Vaughn made the motion to accept the Financial Report Year Ended September 30, 2019, and was seconded by Lee Wommack. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

Financial consultant Everett Bedford showed the Council how the Asyst Software is not the easiest to get information out of. Mr. Bedford would like the Council to resend approved financials so the City Secretary can make correcting journal entries based on his findings. Stormy Vaughn made the motion to unapprove all financials from November to April so the City Secretary can make the correcting journal entries. She was seconded by Santiago Rodriguez and the motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

The mayor presented to the Council two versions of the proposed budget amendments - one with a night watchman and one without a night watchman. Lee Wommack wants to see how crime is in Bronte. Neighborhood Watch is staying

in place right now. Stormy Vaughn agreed with Lee Wommack to look further into what the City needs for a night watchman. Additional budget line items 01.01.543 Junked Vehicles will be lowered totaling \$7,000 with amendment of budget of \$3,000. 01.01.557 Sales Tax change proposed to \$2,000 to bring balance to \$89,500. The City Secretary needs to make one change to 02.02.589 Deposit Refund to be taken off the budget. This is a liability account. Stormy Vaughn made the motion to with the night watchman proposed amending budget and was seconded by Ron Cooper. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0. Stormy Vaughn then made the motion to accept FY19-20 budget amendments with changes discussed in General and Water but waiting on financial consultant with sanitation sales tax. She was seconded by Lee Wommack and the motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

The Council approved October 1 as the healthcare anniversary date so the July 1 re-rate is now tabled.

The mayor discussed keeping the benefits anniversary date of July 1 or changing to October 1. By changing the date to October 1, the City can budget better. Ron Cooper made the motion to

accept October 1 as the benefits anniversary date and was seconded by Stormy Vaughn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

The mayor set up a subcommittee to discuss TML Healthcare. Stormy Vaughn and Santiago Rodriguez will make up this committee. The Council would like the employees to attend the Zoom meeting as well.

Discussion was held to approve a quote for a germ shield at the front desk. Santiago Rodriguez made the motion to accept the germ shield quote and was seconded by Ron Cooper. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

It was considered to approve the City Secretary to order three animal cages for trapping. Santiago Rodriguez made the motion to approve the ordering of three cages and was seconded by Stormy Vaughn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

It was considered to apply for financial assistance through the TDEM to obtain allocated funds to be used within the guidelines of the CARES Act. Santiago Rodriguez made the motion to apply for financial assistance and was seconded by Ron Cooper. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Water Weekly

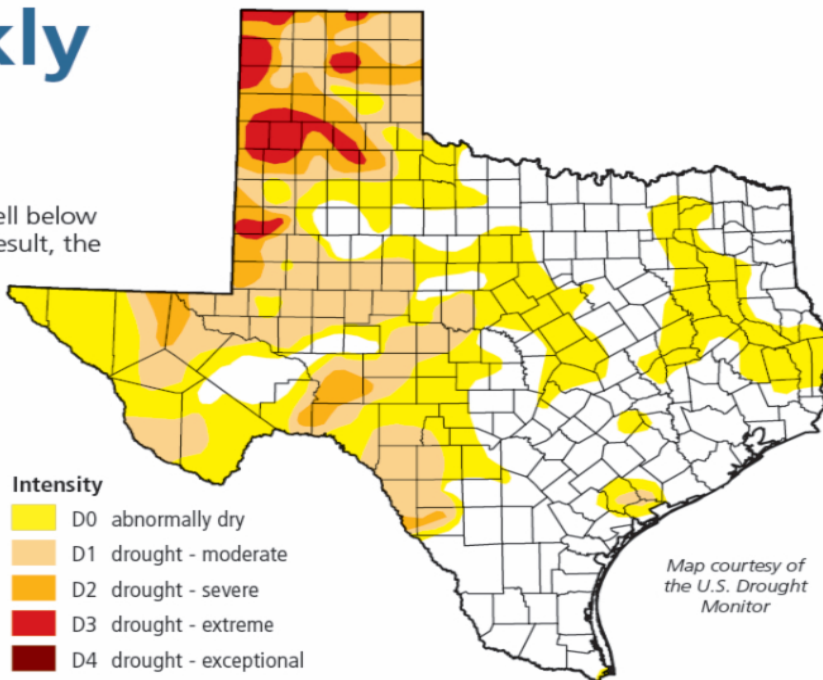
For the week of 07/06/20

Water conditions

During the past week, precipitation was well below normal for more than half the state. As a result, the latest drought map for conditions as of June 30 shows continued expansion and intensification of drought. The area of the state impacted by drought reached its highest value since mid-February 2020.

Drought conditions

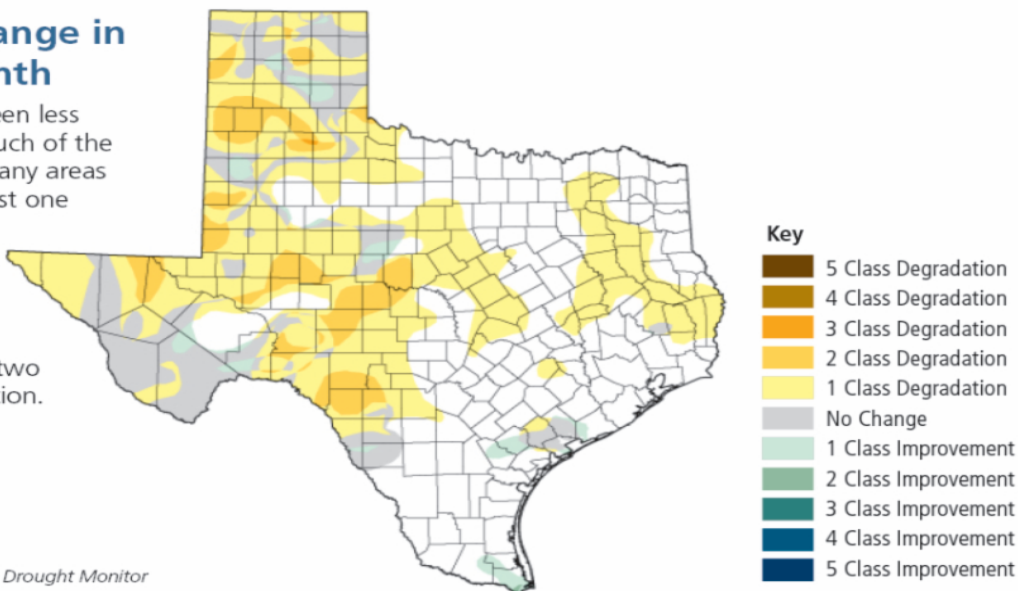
- ◆ 28% now
- ◆ 25% a week ago
- ◆ 20% three months ago
- ◆ 1% a year ago



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

Drought change in the last month

June rainfall has been less than normal for much of the state, leading to many areas experiencing at least one class of drought degradation. Some areas of the Panhandle and Central and West Texas experienced two classes of degradation.



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

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