

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF GLEN ROSE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 5:30 PM

The City Council of the City of Glen Rose met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 in the Glen Rose City Hall, Council Chambers, 201 NE Vernon, Glen Rose, TX 76043 at 5:30 PM to consider the following items of business:

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Julia Douglas called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Council member George Freas gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Douglas led the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Julia Douglas, Mayor
Chip Joslin, Mayor Pro Tem
Kelly Harris, Council member
George Freas, Council member
Demetra Conrad, Council member
TJ Walker, Council member

Staff Present

Michael Leamons, City Administrator
Staci King, City Secretary
Buck Martin, Chief of Police
Jim Holder, Director of Public Works
Kyle Reeves, Building Official

CITIZEN/VISITOR COMMENTS

No one came forward to address the council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. ***Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney – Pending Litigation - Joslin v. City of Glen Rose, et al***
2. ***Section 551.074 Personnel Matters - to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to wit: City Administrator Contract Negotiations***
This item was moved to regular session at the request of City Administrator Leamons.
3. ***Section 551.074 Personnel Matters - to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to wit: Building Official***

Mayor Douglas called the meeting into Executive Session at 5:32 p.m.

Mayor Douglas recessed the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Mayor Douglas called the meeting back in to regular session at 7:44 p.m.

ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY

4. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding item discussed in Executive Session: Pending Litigation - Joslin v. City of Glen Rose, et al**
Mayor Pro Tem Joslin recused himself during this item.

Mayor Douglas opened the floor for comments. The following addressed the council: Dennis Moore, JB Hawthorne, and Chris Bryant.

No action was taken.

6. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding item discussed in Executive Session: Personnel - Building Official**
No action was taken.

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5. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding item discussed in Executive Session: Personnel - City Administrator Contract Negotiations**

Council member Harris explained that she had requested this item be included on the agenda with the intent of discussing non-renewal of Mr. Leamons' contract upon its expiration in September 2023. Discussion was held regarding an evaluation prior to decision regarding Mr. Leamons' contract.

Mr. Leamons' attorney, Jeremy SoRell, was in attendance and strongly encouraged council to read Mr. Leamons' contract and consult with the City's attorney.

Stan Lowry, City Attorney, recommended that a review of the contract take place at the August 9 council meeting and a course of action could be considered at that time.

Mayor Douglas opened the floor for comments. The following addressed the council: Tamara Valentine and Chris Bryant.

No action taken.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. **Consider approval or other action on a Resolution accepting the Texas Water Development Board funded Grand Avenue Lift Station Improvements Project.**
MOTION by Chip Joslin, second by George Freas, to approve Resolution No. 2022-18 accepting the Grand Avenue Lift Station Improvements Project. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

8. **Presentation on Strategic Plan, Strategic Plan Update, and Proposals for FY2022-2023 Budget**
Abra Nusser, Peloton Land Solutions

Ms. Abra Nusser presented council with the proposed Strategic Plan. After review, council and staff were asked to submit any changes to Mr. Leamons for inclusion in the final draft. The final draft will be presented to council for approval at the August 9 meeting.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

9. FY2022-2023 Budget Work Session

Michael Leamons, City Administrator, presented council with the proposed FY2022-2023 budget. Discussion was held regarding additional requests, wants, and needs.

No action taken.

10. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on a Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget

MOTION by George Freas, second by Chip Joslin, to approve Resolution No. 2022-19 amending the FY2021-2022 budget. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

11. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on proposed 2022 ad valorem tax rate.

MOTION by Demetra Conrad, second by Chip Joslin, to approve the voter-approval tax rate of \$0.30629865 per \$100 valuation as the proposed 2022 ad valorem tax rate. MOTION CARRIED with George Freas casting a dissenting vote.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

All council members expressed their gratitude and appreciation to the residents of Glen Rose, Somervell County, and beyond for working together during the Chalk Mountain Fire. They each expressed how humbling it was to see friends, neighbors, and complete strangers coming together in a time of need.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

APPROVED:

Julia Douglas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Staci King, Deputy City Secretary