MINUTES OF THE CITY OF GLEN ROSE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 09, 2024 at 5:30 PM

The City Council of the City of Glen Rose met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, in the Glen Rose City Hal Council Chambers, 201 NE Vernon, Glen Rose, TX 76043 at 5:30 PM to consider the following items of business:

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joe Boles called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem George Freas led the invocation.

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present

Joe Boles, Mayor George Freas, Mayor Pro Tem

Candace Scholz Richard Bruning TJ Walker

Council Members Absent

Demetra Conrad

Staff Present

Troy Hill, City Administrator
Staci L. King, City Secretary
Jim Holder, Director of Public Works
Buck Martin, Police Chief

Larry Allen, Building Official Rita Smith, CVB Director

Stan Lowry, City Attorney (via phone call)

CITIZEN/VISITOR COMMENTS

No one came forward to address the council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, Subchapter D, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, in accordance with:

 Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney – to seek advice from its attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct clearly conflicts with this chapter: Interlocal Agreements

Mayor Boles called the meeting into Executive Session at 5:46 p.m.; the meeting was called back to regular session at 6:17 p.m.

ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY

2. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding items discussed in Executive Session - Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney: Interlocal Agreements

No action was taken.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

3. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding a request to close a portion of Walnut Street near the Somervell County Courthouse Gazebo

MOTION by TJ Walker, second by George Freas, to approve a request to close a portion of Walnut Street presented. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

4. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding a Resolution supporting the renaming of Highway 144 South in honor of the late Deputy Stephen Gibson and/or the renaming of Elm Street in honor of the late Deputy Stephen Gibson

Chip Joslin and Kenneth Green presented a request to rename a City street in honor of late Detective Stephen Gibson. Detective Green explained that the County would be pursuing the renaming of Highway 144 South outside of the city limits, however that would not be possible until 2025.

MOTION by Richard Bruning, second by TJ Walker, to designate Elm Street from Vine Street to Austin Street, then continuing with Austin Street until the City limits, as the Sgt. Gibson Memorial Road, or similar, as determined by Sgt. Gibson's family. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

5. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding amendments to the Convention and Visitors Bureau Budget

MOTION by George Freas, second by Richard Bruning, to approve Ordinance No. 2024-O-01 amending the CVB Budget. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

6. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the addition of Presidents Day and Veterans Day as City holidays

Council had previously expressed interest in creating additional City holidays; staff recommended President's Day and Veterans Day based on similarly sized cities. Councilwoman Scholz also requested that employees be given a "birthday" holiday to be used at their discretion.

MOTION by TJ Walker, second by Candace Scholz, to approve the additional holidays as presented. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

7. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding a Memorandum of Understanding with Granbury Police Department for the Granbury Regional Radio Network

This item was removed from the agenda.

8. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding a Release of Easement for undeveloped streets in the City of Glen Rose's ETJ, being located in and around Blocks 29, 39, and 40 of the Railway Addition, located at 1165 S FM 56, Glen Rose, Somervell County, Texas, and being identified by the Somervell County Appraisal District as Parcel No. R1899.

Troy Hill, City Administrator, presented the item to Council. The owner asked that the City release old street dedications/easements so they could develop their property. In exchange, the owner agreed to a development agreement that would require any owner of the property to annex into the City should the property ever be used for a purpose other than single-family residential.

MOTION by Richard Bruning, second by TJ Walker, to approve the release of easement contingent upon the an executed agreement as described. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote, with George Freas abstaining.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 9. Consider approval or other action regarding the minutes of the December 12, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting
- 10. Consider approval or other action regarding an accounts payable report for payments made during December 2023
- 11. Consider approval or other action regarding a financial report for the month of December 2023

MOTION by TJ Walker, second by Richard Bruning, to approve the consent agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

STAFF REPORTS

- 12. Public Works Director Report
- 13. Police Chief Report
- 14. Building and Planning Department Report
- 15. Code Enforcement and Animal Control Report
- 16. Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Report
- 17. City Secretary's Report
- 18. City Administrator's Report

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, Subchapter D, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, in accordance with:

19. Section 551.072 Deliberations Regarding Real Property

Mayor Boles called the meeting into executive session at 7:00 p.m.; the meeting was called back to regular session at 7:32 p.m.

ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY

20. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding items discussed in Executive Session - Section 551.072 Deliberations Regarding Real Property

No action was taken

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.