

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF GLEN ROSE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at 5:30 PM

The City Council of the City of Glen Rose met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 23, 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 Douglas called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Dennis Moore led the invocation.

PLEDGES 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 (via Zoom)
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.

Mayor Douglas moved item number 6 was moved to the beginning of the agenda.

6. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on an Ordinance amending the City of Glen Rose Code of Ordinances, Chapter 13.03.104 Sewer Rates; Residential Winter Averaging

David English and Owen McKnight, First United Methodist Church, addressed the council regarding this item.

MOTION by Chip Joslin, second by Kelly Harris, to approve Ordinance No. 2022.08.23.A amending the City of Glen Rose Code of Ordinances, Chapter 13 *Sewer Rates*. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding membership in Transportation Excellence for the 21st Century (TEX-21)

David Dean made a presentation to council regarding TEX-21. At the conclusion of the presentation, council discussed becoming a member of TEX-21. It was decided that the membership fee would be included in the upcoming budget, but that Council member(s) would attend at least one meeting before making a decision regarding membership.

PUBLIC HEARING

2. Public hearing on the City of Glen Rose Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget

Mayor Douglas opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m.

No one came forward to address the council regarding the FY2022-2023 budget.

Mayor Douglas closed the public hearing at 6:40 p.m.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

3. Discussion, consideration, and possible ratification of the property tax revenue increase reflected in the proposed City of Glen Rose Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget

City Administrator Michael Leamons presented the item to council. Mr. Leamons stated that it is a statutory requirement that the council ratify an increase in property tax revenue, if applicable. He stated that the proposed budget would have a property tax revenue increase of \$53, 417.

MOTION by Kelly Harris, second by Demetra Conrad, to ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the proposed FY2022-2023 budget. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

4. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on amending and adopting, via resolution, the City of Glen Rose Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget.

Stan Lowry, City Attorney, advised council that the budget should be adopted in two parts to prevent a conflict of interest with Council member Kelly Harris, who is employed by the Somervell County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

MOTION by Demetra Conrad, second by Chip Joslin, to approve Resolution No. 2022-20 adopting the City of Glen Rose FY2022-2023 budget, with the exception of the Convention and Visitors Bureau budget. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

MOTION by Demetra Conrad, second by TJ Walker, to approve Resolution No. 2022-21 adopting the City of Glen Rose FY2022-2023 Convention and Visitors Bureau budget. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote. Council member Harris abstained from voting and filed a conflict of interest form with City Secretary Staci King.

5. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding a resolution amending the FY2021-2022 budget

MOTION by Chip Joslin, second by Demetra Conrad, to approve Resolution No. 2022-22 amending the FY2021-2022 budget.

7. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on ongoing City Hall remodel project

City Administrator Leamons updated council on the current projects in the City Hall remodel. He asked for feedback regarding flooring, cabinetry, and countertops. No action taken.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Conrad removed item 9 from the consent agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Joslin removed item number 10 from the consent agenda.

8. Consider approval or other action regarding an ordinance amending the City of Glen Rose's sanitation rates, to be effective January 1, 2023

MOTION by Kelly Harris, second by TJ Walker, to approve Ordinance No. 2022.08.23.B amending the City's sanitation rates. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

9. **Consider approval or other action regarding a resolution requesting that the Texas Department of Transportation install a traffic signal at the intersection of Highway 144 and Highway 56 in downtown Glen Rose**

City Administrator Leamons explained that the resolution was to show support for the installation of a traffic signal downtown. He stated that he would meet with representatives of the other taxing entities to encourage them to support a traffic signal as well.

MOTION by Chip Joslin, second by TJ Walker, to approve Resolution No. 2022-23 requesting a traffic signal in downtown Glen Rose. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

10. **Consider approval or other action regarding the proposed Thomas Heap Memorial Stone for placement beside the trees planted in his honor along the Riverwalk.**

MOTION by Chip Joslin, second by TJ Walker, to approve the placement of a memorial stone in honor of former employee Tom Heap. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

There were no reports from the mayor or council.

Mayor Douglas recessed the meeting from 7:14 p.m. to 7:19 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

11. **Section 551.074 Personnel Matters - to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to wit: Code Compliance Officer**

Mayor Douglas called the meeting into executive session at 7:19 p.m. The meeting was called back to regular session at 7:43 p.m.

ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY

12. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding item discussed in Executive Session: Personnel Matters - Code Compliance Officer**
No action was taken on this item.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Julia Douglas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Staci L. King, City Secretary