

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF GLEN ROSE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 5:30 PM

The City Council of the City of Glen Rose met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 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:

A live stream of this meeting is available on the City's YouTube page.

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Councilmember George Freas led the invocation.

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Boles led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Joe Boles, Mayor
Stuart Mann, Mayor Pro Tem
George Freas, Councilmember
Candace Scholz, Councilmember(via Phone)
Lauri Mapes, Councilmember
Richard Bruning, Councilmember

Staff Present

Troy Hill, City Administrator
Veronica Welch, City Secretary
Jim Holder, Public Works Director
Tex Toler, CVB Director
Buck Martin, Police Chief
Colby Giles, Police Officer
Traci Niedziela, Tourism Brand Manager
Christy Wilson, Lead Animal Control Officer

CITIZEN/VISITOR COMMENTS *(Limited to three minutes per person.)*

No Citizen or Visitor comments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

No announcements or presentations.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 1. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the City of Glen Rose benefits package for Plan Year 2025-2026
Mitchell Rose, from Clark Adamson, gave an overview and explanation of the proposed employee benefits package for the plan year 2025-2026. Veronica Welch, City Secretary, suggested that the City switch from Blue Cross Blue Shield to Aetna due to costs and savings for the new fiscal year. MOTION by George Freas and SECOND by Stuart Mann to approve the benefits package with Aetna as the primary for the plan year 2025-2026 as presented. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

2. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding budget and items requested to fulfill Fire Marshall duties with the Somervell County Fire Department
Interim Fire Chief Steve Willis provided an overview of the expenses for Fire Marshal services to the City. He requested that the City budget for several items to support these services.
NO action on this item.
 3. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the Wildan presentation
Jason Grey from Wildan gave a presentation on the water rate study done for the City of Glen Rose.
MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Richard Bruning to adopt the proposed rate rounding down to the nearest ten cents. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.
- Mayor Boles moved up agenda item 11
11. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the public parking lot by Baked and Sexton Mill
A discussion was held regarding the public parking lot owned by the City on the corner of Walnut Street and Grace Street.
NO action was taken.

ITEMS REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Veronica Welch, City Secretary, read the public hearing item.
Mayor Boles opened the public hearing at 7:01 p.m.
4. Public hearing regarding recommendations for amending Ordinance 4.09.003(b) Inspections, Permits and Fee and 4.09.005 Distance Regulations for Mobile Food Vendors
Pam Streeter from the Planning and Zoning committee explained the reasons to change the ordinances for the distance regulations and the background checks for mobile food vendors.
- Mayor Boles closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

6. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the recommendations for amending Ordinance 4.09.003(b) Inspections, Permits and Fees (Ordinance No. 2025-O-18) and 4.09.005 Distance Regulations for Mobile Food Vendors (Ordinance No. 2025-O-19)
MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Stuart Mann to accept the ordinance changes and adoption ordinances 2025-O-18 and 2025-O-19. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.

ITEMS REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Veronica Welch, City Secretary, read the public hearing item.
Mayor Boles opened the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.
5. Public hearing regarding recommendations for amending 14.02.042 R-1 Single-Family Residential District related to setback requirements
Pam Streeter from the Planning and Zoning Committee explained the reasons to change the ordinance related to setback requirements.
- Mayor Boles closed the public hearing at 7:09 p.m.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

7. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the recommendations for amending 14.02.042 R-1 Single-Family Residential District related to setback requirements and approving Ordinance No. 2025-O-20
MOTION by Richard Bruning and **SECOND** by Lauri Mapes to approve Ordinance No. 2025-O-20 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.
8. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the adoption of the City of Glen Rose Maximum Proposed Tax Rate for 2025
MOTION by George Freas, **SECOND** by Richard Bruning, to set the Maximum Proposed Tax Rate for 2025 at 0.27 per \$100 valuation. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.
9. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding setting the time, date, and location of a Public Hearing on the 2025 Maximum Proposed Tax Rate
MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Stuart Mann to set the date for the Public Hearing on September 9th, 2025, meeting.
10. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the adoption of Ordinance No. 2025-O-17, Franchise Agreement between Atmos Energy and the City of Glen Rose
NO action on this item.
12. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding Resolution No. 2025-R-12 to amend the current personnel policies
MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Richard Bruning to **TABLE** this item. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.
13. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on Resolution 2025-R-13 regarding the adoption of a Procurement Policy for the City of Glen Rose
MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Richard Bruning to adopt Resolution 2025-R-13 regarding the Procurement Policy for the City of Glen Rose. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.
14. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding an off-duty officer performing the morning traffic control during the 2025-2026 school year
MOTION by Stuart Mann and **SECOND** by George Freas to have an off-duty officer perform the morning traffic control duties during the 2025-2026 school year and place money in the budget for 180 days. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.
15. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding engineering services for the walking bridge
MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Lauri Mapes to engage with engineering firms to gain bids for a possible walking bridge. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.
16. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the concerning Oncor Transmission Line
MOTION by Stuart Mann and **SECOND** by Candace Scholz to approve the Resolution No. 2025-R-14 regarding the Oncor Transmission Line. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.
17. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the air transportation benefit for the Mayor and Council
MOTION by Richard Bruning and **SECOND** by George Freas to approve the air transportation benefit for the Mayor and Council. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.

CONSENT AGENDA *(All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately.)*

- 18. Consider approval or other action regarding the minutes of the July 8, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting
- 19. Consider approval or other action regarding the accounts payable report for July 2025
- 20. Consider approval or other action regarding the financial report for July 2025
- 21. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding a request for a Special Alcohol Usage Permit for the Glen Rose Wine and Art Festival
- 23. Consider approval or other action regarding the job description for the Tourism Specialist
MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Lauri Mapes to accept the consent agenda except item 22 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.

Item 22 was removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of George Freas.

- 22. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding a request for street closures for the Glen Rose Wine and Art Festival
MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Stuart Mann to approve the street closures for the Glen Rose Wine and Art Festival to be held on October 10 and 11th as presented. **MOTION CARRIED** by unanimous vote.

STAFF REPORTS

- 24. Public Works Director Report
- 25. Police Chief Report
- 26. Building and Planning Department Report
- 27. Code Enforcement and Animal Control Report
- 28. Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Report
- 29. City Secretary's Report
- 30. City Administrator's Report

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Richard Bruning asked for a moment of silence to honor Kaine Popejoy, a Somervell County Firefighter, who lost his battle with cancer and passed away.

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:

31. **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**
32. **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**
33. **Section 551.072 Deliberations Regarding Real Property**
34. **Section 551.074 Personnel Matters** - to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to wit: **Animal Control**

Mayor Boles adjourned the regular session at 8:27 p.m. and reconvened into executive session at 8:33 p.m.

Mayor Boles adjourned the executive session at 9:35 p.m. and reconvened into regular session at 9:34 p.m.

ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY

35. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding matters discussed in Executive Session – Section 551.074 Personnel Matters – City Administrator

MOTION by George Freas and **SECOND** by Stuart Mann to accept the resignation of Troy Hill, City Administrator. **MOTION CARRIED** by the following votes:

AYES: George Freas, Stuart Mann, Candace Scholz, Lauri Mapes

NOES: Richard Bruning

36. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding matters discussed in Executive Session - Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney – Interlocal Agreements
NO action on this item.

37. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding items discussed in Executive Session - Section 551.072 *Deliberations Regarding Real Property*
NO action on this item.

38. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding matters discussed in Executive Session – Section 551.074 Personnel Matters – Animal Control
NO action on this item.

ADJOURN

Mayor Boles adjourned the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Note: The Glen Rose City Council may convene into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development). for a purpose, such closed session is allowed under Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

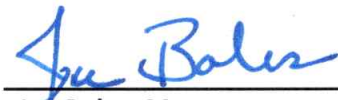
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons who need accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting should contact the City Secretary's office at (254) 897-2272 x 201 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to request such assistance.

CERTIFICATION

I, Veronica Welch, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this NOTICE OF MEETING was posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board located at the entrance of the City of Glen Rose City Hall, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, as well as to the City's website at www.glenrosetexas.org and said notice was posted at or before 05:00 PM on Wednesday, August 06, 2025, and remained posted for at least two hours after said meeting was convened.

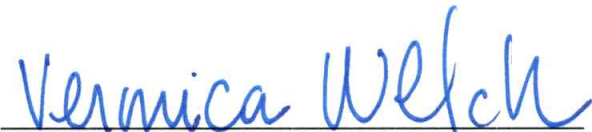


APPROVED:



Joe Boles, Mayor

ATTEST:



Veronica Welch, City Secretary