# MINUTES OF THE CITY OF GLEN ROSE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 5:30 PM

The City Council of the City of Glen Rose met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 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 Joe Boles called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

### **INVOCATION**

Pastor Owen Knight 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

# 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
Stan Lowry, City Attorney (via phone call)

## **CITIZEN/VISITOR COMMENTS**

Demetra Conrad

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:

1. 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; Economic Development

Mayor Boles called the meeting into Executive Session at 5:34 p.m.; the meeting was called back to regular session at 6:21 p.m.

Councilwoman Scholz left the meeting during executive session. Councilwoman Scholz returned to the meeting at 7:00 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; Economic Development No action was taken.

Mayor Boles moved items 9-14 to be heard before items 3-8.

9. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the City of Glen Rose Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Financial Audit

Michael Hamby, Merritt, McLane & Hamby, PC, presented the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Financial Audit. Mr. Hamby explained that the City of Glen Rose is in good financial standing, and that there were no findings for FY2022-2023.

MOTION by Richard Bruning, second by TJ Walker, to accept the FY2022-2023 financial audit. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote. *Candace Scholz was absent during the vote.* 

10. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding an Ordinance amending the City of Glen Rose Code of Ordinances, Article 12.05 *Truck Routes* 

Troy Hill, City Administrator, presented the item to Council. He explained that he felt the trucks coming into town on Texas 144 was detrimental to automobile traffic and could be dangerous. He stated that after speaking with other cities, he felt that prohibiting trucks would be beneficial to the downtown area.

MOTION by Demetra Conrad, second by TJ Walker to adopt Ordinance No. 2023.12.12.A amending Article 12.05 *Truck Routes*. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote. *Candace Scholz was absent during the vote*.

11. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding a January work session

Troy Hill, City Administrator, requested that a work session be held in January to discuss practices, procedures, and other pertinent issues or concerns. This meeting would include joint meetings with the Planning and Zoning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission. Staff will begin working on an agenda for Council review and determining a date for the work session to be held. No action taken on this item.

12. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the approval of eHT Work Order No. 42 for a Groundwater Study

Chris Hay, eHT, presented the item to Council. He explained that this study would help determine the City's water supply sustainability.

MOTION by TJ Walker, second by Demetra Conrad, to approve Work Order No. 42 with eHT for a groundwater study. MOTIN CARRIED by unanimous vote.

13. Discussion, consideration, and possible action authorizing the expenditure of funds to purchase or lease audio/visual and video conferencing equipment for the City Hall Council Chambers and other matters related thereto

MOTION by Richard Bruning, second by Candace Scholz, to approve an expenditure not to exceed \$40,000 for the purchase of audio/visual and video conferencing equipment for the City Hall Council Chambers. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote with George Freas abstaining.

14. Discussion, consideration, or other action regarding a Resolution setting the 2024 City Council meeting dates

MOTION by Demetra Conrad, second by George Freas to approve Resolution No. R.2023.12.12.A setting the 2024 City Council meeting dates. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

MOTION by TJ Walker, second by George Freas, to amend the Resolution to correct a typo on the February meeting date. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 15. Approval or other action regarding the minutes of the November 14, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting
- 16. Approval or other action regarding the November 2023 Accounts Payable Report

MOTION by Demetra Conrad, second by TJ Walker, to approve the salary survey as discussed. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

30. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding items discussed in Executive Session: Section 551.074 Personnel Matters: Municipal Court Judge

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No action was taken on this item.

# **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 p.m.

ATTEST:

Staci L. King, City Secretary

Je Boles, Mayor