

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

**Tuesday, August 04, 2026 at 5:30 PM**

The City Council of the City of Glen Rose met in a Special Meeting on Tuesday, August 04, 2026, 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 5:31 p.m.

## **INVOCATION**

Dennis Moore led the invocation.

## **PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

## **ROLL CALL**

### ***Council Present***

Joe Boles, Mayor  
George Freas, Mayor Pro Tem  
Lauri Mapes, Councilmember  
Patti Hawkins, Councilmember  
Rusty Comer, Councilmember  
Richard Bruning, Councilmember (via Zoom)

### ***Staff Present***

Jim Holder, Interim City Administrator  
Veronica Welch, City Secretary  
Buck Martin, Police Chief  
Traci Niedziela, Explore Glen Rose Director

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

Dennis Moore spoke about the use of Flock cameras in Somervell County and the City of Glen Rose. He asked whether the city had entered into an interlocal agreement with the County regarding the use of these cameras within the city limits.

## **BUDGET WORKSHOP**

1. Public Works Department
2. Administration
3. Police Department
4. Development Services
5. Explore Glen Rose

## **INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

6. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding the adoption of the City of Glen Rose Maximum Proposed Tax Rate for 2026  
MOTION by George Freas and SECOND by Richard Bruning to set the maximum proposed tax rate for 2026 at 0.265 per \$100 valuation. MOTION CARRIED by the following votes:  
AYES: George Freas, Lauri Mapes, Rusty Comer, Richard Bruning  
NOES: Patti Hawkins
7. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding setting the time, date, and location of a Public Hearing on the 2026 Maximum Proposed Tax Rate  
MOTION by Rusty Comer and SECOND by George Freas to set the time, date, and location of the Public Hearing on the 2026 maximum proposed tax rate for September 8, 2026, at the Regular City Council meeting held at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. MOTION CARRIED by a 5-0 vote.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

No announcements or presentations.

#### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

No mayor or 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:

8. **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**

Mayor Boles adjourned the regular session at 6:03 p.m. and called to order executive session at 6:06 p.m.

Mayor Boles adjourned executive session at 6:56 p.m. and called to order regular session at 6:57 p.m.

#### **ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY**

9. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on items discussed in executive session - 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

MOTION by Lauri Mapes and SECOND by Patti Hawkins to enter into contract negotiations with the chosen City Administrator candidate under the parameters set during executive session discussions. MOTION CARRIED by the following votes:

AYES: Patti Hawkins, Lauri Mapes, Richard Bruning

NOES: Rusty Comer

ABSTENTION: George Freas

#### **ADJOURN**

Mayor Boles adjourned the meeting at 6:58 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.

#### BUDGET STATEMENT

In accordance with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 102, the proposed budget for the City of Glen Rose for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 has been filed with the City Secretary and is available for public inspection at City Hall and on the City's official website. The budget will raise \$35,789 more in total property tax revenue than last year's budget, which is a 4.09% increase from the FY 2024-2025 budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$23,040. A public hearing on the proposed FY 2025-2026 budget was held in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 102.006. Following the public hearing, the City Council took action to adopt the budget.

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](http://www.glenrosetexas.org), and remained posted for at least two hours after said meeting was convened.



APPROVED:

  
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Joe Boles, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Veronica Welch, City Secretary

