

**REGULAR SESSION MEETING
GILMER CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019 5:15 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
110 BUFFALO, GILMER, TEXAS**

COUNCIL PRESENT: MAYOR TIM MARSHALL
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL CHEVALIER, AT-LARGE
COUNCILMAN BRIAN WILLIAMS, DISTRICT 3
COUNCILMAN WILLIAM HORNSBY, DISTRICT 1
COUNCILMAN MARTY JORDAN, DISTRICT 2
COUNCILMEMBER JAROM TEFTELLER, AT LARGE

COUNCILMAN ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBER TEATHEL HOLLIS, DISTRICT 4

STAFF PRESENT: GREG HUTSON, CITY MANAGER
MARIA G. CISNEROS, CITY SECRETARY
MARK CASE, CHIEF OF POLICE
STEPHANIE ELLIS, SENIOR ACCOUNTANT
MICHAEL D MARTIN, CITY ATTORNEY
JERRY TAYLOR, FIRE CHIEF
FLOYD WINGO, GILMER POLICE DPT. CAPTAIN

OTHERS PRESENT: W.T. TURNER
EDDIE TURNER
HUEY MITCHELL
ERIN WADE
LISA SNEED
PHILLIP WILLIAMS
LINDA KOUDELKA
TIFFANY BROWN
MEGAN JOHNSON
TAMIL HARRIS
HEATHER MILLER
DAN SMITH
LARRY WEBB

**1. CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Tim Marshall called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. The invocation was led by Councilman William Hornsby and pledge of allegiance by Councilman Jarom Tefteller.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Citizen comments

3. CONSENT AGENDA (ENCLOSURE)

- a. Consider approval of City Council minutes from February 26, 2019
- b. Consider approval of Gilmer Police Department Report for February, 2019
- c. Consider approval of Gilmer Fire Department Report for February, 2019
- d. Consider approval of Code Enforcement Report for February, 2019
- e. Consider approval of Financials
- f. Consider approval of Expense Report for February, 2019

City Manager Greg Hutson addressed council that sales tax increased 5.28% for the month compared to same time last year.

Councilman Marty Jordan made a motion to approve all the consent agenda items with a second by Councilman William Hornsby and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

4. CONSIDER MAYORAL PRESENTATION OF "SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH" PROCLAMATION

Mayor Tim Marshall presented proclamation to Heather Miller and Megan Johnson from Women's Center of East Texas.

5. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF CLOSURE OF JEFFERSON STREET EAST OF TITUS STREET AND JEFFERSON STREET WEST OF SIMPSON STREET FOR THE GILMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EASTER EGG HUNT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 22ND, 2019

Councilman Brian Williams made a motion to approve closure of streets for Easter egg hunt with a second by Councilman Marty Jordan and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

6. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF CLOSURE OF SIMPSON STREET FROM MARSHALL/TYLER STREET TO JEFFERSON/BUFFALO STREET, JEFFERSON/BUFFALO STREET FROM SIMPSON STREET TO DAVIS STREET AND DAVIS STREET FROM BUFFALO STREET TO TYLER STREET ON SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH, 2019, 11:00 A.M. -3:00 P.M. FOR A PROGRESSIVE CAR CRUISE AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Councilman William Hornsby made a motion to approve closure of streets for Progressive Car Cruise with a second by Councilman Marty Jordan and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

7. CONSIDER DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION USING CONDEMNED STRUCTURES AT 408 MILLER AND 937 MILLER FOR GILMER FIRE DEPARTMENT TRAINING SESSIONS ON APRIL 27TH 2019.

Mayor Tim Marshall addressed council and the purpose of this training is to improve efficiency of response from both volunteer and career members of the Gilmer Fire Department.

Councilman Marty Jordan made a motion to approve allowing Gilmer Fire department using condemned structures with a second by Councilman Jarom Tefteller and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

8. CONSIDER DISCUSSION AND ACT ON APPROVAL ACCEPTING TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE 90/10 MATCHING GRANT FOR THE GILMER FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 FOR PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Councilman Marty Jordan made a motion to approve accepting grant with a second by Councilman Brian Williams and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

9. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING THE DEEP EAST TEXAS VIOLENT OFFENDER TASK FORCE – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF GILMER POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS, AND EXPLOSIVES (ATF), AUTHORIZING THE GILMER POLICE CHIEF TO SIGN SAID MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Councilman Marty Jordan made a motion to approve MOU between the City of Gilmer Police department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives with a second by Councilman Michael Chevalier and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

10. CONSIDER AND ACT ON AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND PURCHASE OF SERVICE REVOLVERS FOR GILMER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Mark Case addressed council stating he will be purchasing 17 handguns through GT Distributors for a total of \$6,953.00, and reselling the old handguns to the officers for \$6,000.00 leaving a balance of \$953.00. He will also be able to cover that cost through various accounts without taking any monies from budget.

Councilman William Hornsby made a motion to approve purchase of handguns with a second by Councilman Brian Williams and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

11. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF WEAPONS AWARDED BY SEIZURE ON AUCTIONEER EXPRESS WEBSITE

Police Chief Mark Case addressed council stating that they currently have 70 weapons that have been awarded by seizure to the police department that he is looking at auctioning off through Auctioneer Express. Auctioneer Express will keep 10% and the District Attorney's office will receive 10% of all seized weapons. Any monies obtained will go towards purchasing more body cameras.

Councilman Marty Jordan made a motion to approve sale of weapons with a second by Councilman Michael Chevalier and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

12. CONSIDER ACTION ON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION 2019 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) ADJUSTMENT TO MUNICIPAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS RIGHT-OF-WAY ACCESS LINE RATES

No action taken

13. CONSIDER INFORMATION PRESENTATION FROM UPSHUR COUNTY SHERIFF LARRY WEBB REGARDING THE COUNTY'S FUTURE DIGITAL RADIO SYSTEM

Sheriff Larry Webb did a presentation to council about the county's future digital radio system that will be replacing the current system used for dispatch services. The cost for the digital system will be \$338,340.00 using seizure funds which will not cost anything to Upshur County residents. This digital radio system transition will start May 3rd, 2019 and will be completed by May 16th, 2019.

14. CONSIDER AND ACT ON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE RELEASE OF MECHANICS LIEN DATED MARCH 29, 1993

Councilman Marty Jordan made a motion to approve release of Lien for property at 509 S. Trinity, with a second by Councilman William Hornsby and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

15. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF CLOSURE OF THE FOLLOWING PORTIONS OF THE SQUARE ON BEHALF OF ELEVATE FROM 100 BUFFALO TO CORNER OF BUFFALO AND TITUS ST., 122 DAVIS ST TO 100 DAVIS ST ON SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2019 THROUGH SUNDAY APRIL 28, 2019 FROM 5:00 A.M.-12:00 A.M. SUNDAY FOR THE 1ST ANNUAL BBQ COOKOFF

Councilman Brian Williams made a motion to approve closure of streets for 1st annual BBQ cook off with a second by Councilman Marty Jordan and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

16. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING ORDINANCE NO. 19-009 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 18-028, EXHIBIT "F", MISCELLANEOUS FEE SCHEDULE, ADDING MAXIMUM BUILDING PERMIT FEE - \$6,000

Councilman Jarom Tefteller made a motion to approve amending Ordinance No. 18-028, exhibit "F", adding maximum permit fee of \$6,000.00 with a second by Councilman Marty Jordan and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

17. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING CORRECTION TO FEBRUARY 26TH, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA, ITEM #8, TO READ AS FOLLOWS; CONSIDER DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 19-003 AMENDING THE CITY BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GILMER, TEXAS, FOR THE ONE YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM 2015 CO BONDS TO ENTERPRISE FUND FOR COFFEVILLE RD. LIFT STATION SUBMERSIBLE PUMP REPLACEMENT WORK TO BE PERFORMED BY CARTER EQUIPMENT

Councilman Jarom Tefteller made a motion to approve corrections to the February 26th, 2019 agenda item #8 with a second by Councilman William Hornsby and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

5. ADJOURN

Councilman Jarom Tefteller made a motion to adjourn with a second by Councilman Marty Jordan and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

Meeting adjourned at 6:01p.m.

Tim Marshall
Tim Marshall, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maria G. Cisneros
Maria G. Cisneros, City Secretary

