February 28, 2023



MINUTES

Mayor Tim Marshall
Councilmember Jerry Webb
Councilmember Jasmine Cunningham
Councilmember Jarom Tefteller

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann Councilmember Marty Jordan Councilmember Michael Chevalier

The City of Gilmer Council Meeting convened in regular session at 5:15 P.M. on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at Gilmer City Hall, 110 Buffalo St., Gilmer, Texas.

The following Councilmembers were present:

Mayor Tim Marshall Councilmember Marty Jordan Councilmember Michael Chevalier Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann Councilmember Jasmine Cunningham Councilmember Jerry Webb

The following Councilmembers were absent:

Councilmember Jarom Teftteller

The following staff was present:

Greg Hutson, City Manager Michael Martin, City Attorney Monty Montgomery, Officer Kimberly Smith, TRMC, City Secretary Lana Davidson, Police Chief

Other Attendees:

Phillip Williams, Gilmer Mirror Rick Albritton, Gilmer ISD Dianne Dismukes, MD Health Pathways Dr. Shenequa Miller & family & friends Ted Kamel, AZAVAR Dirk Perrit, MD Health Pathways

I. Call to Order
Invocation
Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Tim Marshall called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. The invocation was led by Councilmember Jerry Webb and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Michael Chevalier.

II. Public Comment

No public comments.

III. Consent Agenda

The consent agenda consisted of City Council minutes from February 28, 2023, and the Expense Report for February 2023.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann made a motion to approve consent agenda items with a second by Councilmember Jasmine Cunningham and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

IV. Items to Consider

 Consider adoption of the following proclamation: Proclamation setting March 1, 2023 as "Dr. Shenequa Miller Day" for her contributions improving the quality of life in the city and to the citizens of Gilmer.

Mayor Tim Marshall presented a proclamation and a key to the city to Dr. Shenequa Miller.

2. Consider, discuss, and take possible action to approve Gilmer Police Department Designated Marksman Program.

Chief Lana Davidson and Officer Monty Montgomery explained the program to council along with the associated costs of the program.

Councilmember Marty Jordan made a motion to approve Gilmer Police Designated Marksman Program with a second by Councilmember Michael Chevalier and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

3. Consider, discuss, and take possible action to cancel the March 14th City Council meeting.

Councilmember Marty Jordan made a motion to approve cancelling the March 14th City Council meeting with a second by Councilmember Michael Chevalier and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

- 4. Consider, discuss, and take possible action regarding the Risk it for Brisket street closure on March 25, 2023.
 - a. Buffalo & Jefferson Street from Hwy 271 to Trinity
 - b. Titus Street from Buffalo to Cass Street
 - c. Simpson Street from Hwy 154 to Buffalo
 - d. Davis Street from Hwy 154 to Cass Street
 - e. Henderson Street from Hwy 154 to Harrison
 - f. Hwy 154 from Trinity to Hwy 271

Mayor Tim Marshall stated we may need to start limiting the frequency of closures on Hwy 154.

Mayor Tim Marshall made a motion to approve the street closures for Risk it for Brisket on March 25, 2023 with a second by Councilmember Marty Jordan and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

5. Consider, discuss, and take possible action regarding Live Gilmer BBQ Event to serve and charge for alcohol with TABC Permit.

Councilmember Michael Chevalier made a motion to approve Live Gilmer BBQ Event to serve and charge for alcohol with a TABC Permit with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann and a vote of 6/0 for approval

6. Consider, discuss, and take possible action supporting public health initiative in the city as presented to MD Health Pathways.

Two representatives from MD Health Pathways presented to council the contents of the program. They explained how it will work, and what they will need from the city. The City of Ferris is already a part of the program, and has been a success. Dr. Dirk Perritt explained they are not taking any patients away from the doctors, but allowing patients to speak with a doctor if they are unable to see their own physician.

City Manager Greg Hutson stated that he has asked Randy Duke to solicit donations for 6 months coverage (estimated \$75,000) to allow the program to get started.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann made a motion to approve supporting public health initiative in the city as presented by MD Health Pathways with a second by Councilmember Jerry Webb and a vote of 6/0 approval.

7. Consider, discuss, and take possible action regarding ARPA funds projects.

City Manager Greg Hutson explained the projects that ARPA funds will be covering. The funds are currently over budget by about \$550,000.00. City staff will go through the projects and prioritize the projects to present to council at a later date.

8. Consider, discuss, and take possible action to approve Resolution R23-005 selecting a Grant Writer/Administrator in conjunction with the submittal of the 2023-2024 Application for funding through Texas Department of Agriculture, Texas Community Development Block Grant (enclosure).

City Manager Greg Hutson explained why this was on the agenda again.

Councilmember Marty Jordan made a motion to approve Resolution R23-005 selecting a Grant Writer/Administrator in conjunction with the submittal of the 2023-2024 Application for funding through Texas Department of Agriculture, Texas Community Development Block Grant with a second by Councilmember Michael Chevalier and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

9. Consider, discuss, and take possible action approving additional city accounts in LOGIC (Local Government Investment Pool) & TEXSTAR (Texas Short Term Asset Reserve) investment pool(s) for EDC and Water Sewer Funds and matters related thereto.

City Manager Greg Hutson explained to council the reasoning behind adding these accounts to LOGIC and TEXSTAR.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann made a motion approving additional city accounts in LOGIC (Local Government Investment Pool) & TEXSTAR (Texas Short Term Asset Reserve) investment pool(s) for EDC and Water Sewer Funds with a second by Councilmember Jerry Webb and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

10. Consider, discuss, and take possible action authorizing city investment officers to transfer investment funds between city approved banking institutions and investment pools to maximize returns within PFIA guidelines.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann made a motion to authorize city investment officers to transfer investment funds between city approved banking institutions and investment pools to maximize returns within PFIA guidelines with a second by Councilmember Jerry Webb and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

11. Consider, discuss, and take possible action authorizing City Manager to seek and maximize investment returns on Park funds within PFIA guidelines.

City Manager Greg Hutson explained the reasoning behind investing the Park funds to maximize returns.

Councilmember Marty Jordan make a motion authorizing the City Manager to seek and maximize investment returns on Park funds within PFIA guidelines with a second by Councilmember Michael Chevalier and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

12. Consider, discuss, and take possible action approving Ordinance 23-010 related to and considered to be a supplement and addition to Ordinance No. 23-007 adopted February 24, 2023 by approving or ratifying an official annexation request petition from 903 Development LLC, the owner of the vacant parcel of land containing 20.72 acres annexed by Ordinance 23-007.

City Manager Greg Hutson explained that this was a necessary task that needed to be done even after the fact thus Ordinance 23-010 needed to be adopted.

Councilmember Jerry Webb made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-010 related to and considered to be a supplement and addition to Ordinance No. 23-007 adopted February 14, 2023 by approving or ratifying an official annexation request petition from 903 Development LLC, the owner of the vacant parcel of land containing 201.72 acres annexed by Ordinance 23-007 with a second by Councilmember Marty Jordan and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

V. Executive Session

City Manager Greg Hutson asked council to table the executive session and reschedule in open session at the March 9th Special Called Meeting.

- 1. Consider and take possible action to enter Executive Session under Article Number §551.074, Personnel Matters-Evaluation of the City Manager as required by the City Charter.
- VI. Adjourn Executive Session
- VII. Convene Regular Meeting (In accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D).
 - 1. Consider, discuss and take possible action related to personnel matters evaluation of the City Manager and personnel matters.

VIII. Adjournment

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann made a motion to adjourn second by Councilmember Michael Chevalier and a vote of 6/0 for approval.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Tim Marshall, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly Smith, TRMC, CMC, City Secretary