

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

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

## **MINUTES**

The City of Gilmer Council Meeting convened in regular session at 5:15 P.M. on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at Gilmer City Hall, 110 Buffalo St., Gilmer, Texas.

## The following Councilmembers were present:

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

## The following Councilmembers were absent:

## The following staff was present:

Greg Hutson, City Manager Michael Martin, City Attorney Lisa Long, Civic Center Director Kimberly Smith, TRMC, MMC, City Secretary Mary Bullock, Water Utility Clerk Jerry Taylor, Fire Chief, GFD

#### Other Attendees:

Phillip Williams, Gilmer Mirror Jimi Murray, Red River Recreation Gordon Jewett, Resident David Barnes, Red River Recreation Lindi Mysinger, Red River Recreation Eddie Turner, Resident

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 Marty Jordan.

### II. Public Comment

Mayor Tim Marshall commended the Public Works Department for their hard work with fixing leaks, water main breaks, and picking up tree limbs from the storm. Mayor Marshall also stated one single employee worked a straight 38 hours over the weekend.

## III. Consent Agenda

The consent agenda consisted of City Council minutes from July 25, 2023, Code Enforcement Report for July 2023, Gilmer Police Department Report for July 2023, Gilmer Fire Department Report for July 2023, Expense Report for July 2023, and Financials for July 2023.

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

#### IV. Items to Consider

- 1. Consider, discuss, and take possible action regarding Property Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
  - a. Discuss proposed tax rate for 2023-2024
  - b. Take Record Vote on proposed tax rate for 2023-2024
  - c. Vote to schedule public hearing on proposed tax rate for 2023-2024

Councilmember Jasmine Cunningham entered the meeting at 5:21 pm.

The council discussed each tax rate with the voter approval tax rate being the proposed tax rate.

The council took a record vote on the proposed tax rate for 2023-2024, with a 7/0 vote.

The council voted unanimously to schedule a public hearing on the proposed tax rate for 2023-2024 on August 22, 2023, with a 7/0 vote.

Consider, discuss, and take possible action to Red River Recreation contract to develop and construct improvements at Abney Park.

David Barnes, Red River Recreation, briefly went through the timeline of construction and the contract for the improvements at Abney Park. Mr. Barnes stated, once the contract is approved and signed, dirt work will begin in two weeks.

Councilmember Michael Chevalier made a motion to approve Red River Recreation contract to develop and construct improvements at Abney Park, with a second by Councilmember Jerry Webb and a vote of 7/0 for approval.

3. Consider, discuss, and take possible action to approve the dates for Fall Cleanup for the City of Gilmer.

Councilmember Marty Jordan made a motion to approve the dates for Fall Cleanup for the City of Gilmer, with a second by Councilmember Michael Chevalier and a vote of 7/0 for approval

4. Consider, discuss, and take possible action to approve Ordinance 23-030 amending the City Budget for the City of Gilmer, Texas for the one-year period beginning October 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2023, to cover repair costs for the ETEX Room's A/C at the Gilmer Civic Center in the amount of \$5,350.00.

Councilmember Marty Jordan made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-030 amending the City Budget to cover repair costs for the ETEX Room's A/C at the Gilmer Civic Center in the amount of \$5,350.00, with a second by Councilmember Jasmine Cunningham and a vote of 7/0 for approval.

5. Consider, discuss, and take possible action to approve Ordinance 23-031 amending the City Budget for the City of Gilmer, Texas for the one-year period beginning October 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2023, for additional construction costs for Kimway Circle Drainage in the amount of \$7,057.00.

Councilmember Marty Jordan made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-031 amending the City Budget for additional construction costs for Kimway Circle Drainage in the amount of \$7,057.00, with a second by Councilmember Jasmine Cunningham and a vote of 7/0 for approval.

6. Consider, discuss, and take possible action to establish a Burn Ban in the City of Gilmer and to authorize the City Fire Chief to take action related thereto.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Herrmann made a motion to establish a Burn Ban in the City of Gilmer for 90 days effective today, and to authorize the City Fire Chief to take action related thereto, with a second by Councilmember Jarom Tefteller and a vote of 7/0 for approval.

# V. Adjournment

Councilmember Jerry Webb made a motion to adjourn second by Councilmember Michael Chevalier and a vote of 7/0 for approval.

Meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

ATTEST:

(imberly Smith, FRMC, MMC, City Secretary)

Tim Marshall, Mayor