Grand Saline City Council
March 21, 2023
Regular Meeting Minutes
7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Grand Saline City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Jeremy Gunnels. The Mayor announced a quorum present with the following: Councilmember July Cato, Councilmember Ridge Tardy, Councilmember Jason Ivy, Councilmember Jennifer Henderson and Councilmember Kathy Smith.

Invocation given by Ridge Tardy followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flag.

City staff present – Dana Clair, Jeremy Barker, Taylor Morgan, Logan Craft, Mary Corrales, Destry Sills, Christian Barajas and Brandi Collier.

Others Present: Mr. Raulston, Nick Haley, Lance Wyatt, Nikki Rowan, Tommy McKee, Andy Reese, Leah Erwin and Jim Parr

Approve minutes of previous meetings – Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to approve the minutes for February 14, 2023 Council Meeting. Councilmember Kathy Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve financials for January 2023 - Tabled.

City Administrator Report: Dana advised Council 1. That we would be putting street work out for bids. 2. Replaced 977 feet of collapsed sewer line on Fielder Street and N. Saline Street. 3. Gears in the Sewer grit system are stripped and will take right at $10000.00 to repair. 4. We hired Severiana Lopez as the new water clerk and Zack Vail in public works. 5. Reminded Council of Clean up weekend.

Public Participation – Mr. Raulston spoke to the Council about our customer service and advised Council that we needed a independent company to test water. Our testing is unacceptable.

Ordinance No. 2023-102 Amending Article 9.02 (Personnel Policy) – Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-102 amending Article 9.02 (Personnel Policy). Councilmember Jason Ivy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2023-08 Appoint Nikki Rowan for a 2 Year Term on the EDC – Councilmember Ridge Tardy made a motion to appoint Nikki Rowan for a 2 year term on the EDC. Councilmember July Cato seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2023-09 Approve Closure of Main Street for the Main Street Festival on May 6, 2023 – Councilmember July Cato made a motion to approve the closure of Main Street for the Main Street Festival on May 6, 2023. Councilmember Kathy Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2023-07 Center Point Energy Annual Grip Adjustment. Approve a 45 day delay on the increase of fees – Councilmember Kathy Smith made motion. Councilmember Ridge Tardy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve the Removal of Melisa Milliorn from all City Bank Accounts – Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to approve the removal of Melisa Milliorn from all bank accounts. Councilmember Jason Ivy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Discuss and Action as Necessary on the S. Bell Survey, Abstract No. 46 Title Search – Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to direct Nikki Rowan and Jim Parr to present their plans for this property to the Mayor/City Administrator before April 11, 2023 Council meeting. Councilmember Ridge Tardy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session at 7:28 p .m. legal advice real property

Open session at 7:42 p. m.

Departmental reports were given by the Department Heads.

Executive Session at 7:56 p.m. to discuss Termination Appeal of Police Officer and Discuss, Consider Employment of City Secretary.

Open Session at 9:53 p.m. – 1. Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to amend Nick Haley's F5 form to honorable discharge and deny all other request. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Kathy Smith. Motion carried unanimously. 2. Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to approve Beverley Pearson to serve as the City Secretary. Councilmember Ridge Tardy seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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Council Comment/Future Comments - update org chart

Adjourn-Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to adjourn at 10:11 p.m. Councilmember July Cato seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeremy Gunnels

APPROVED, Jeremy Gunnels, Mayor

Dana Clair

ATTEST: Dana Clair, City Administrator

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