Grand Saline City Council Meeting
203 N. E Pacific Street
January 21, 2025 6:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Grand Saline City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Leah Erwin. Mayor Pro Tem announced a quorum was present with the following present: Mayor Pro Tem/Councilmember Leah Erwin, Councilmember Scott Gorby, Councilmember Scott Snodgrass, and Councilmember Brandi Morris. Councilmember Tara McBeath was absent.

Invocation given by Caden Moser followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American And Texas Flags.

City Staff Present: Beverley Pearson, Jeremy Barker, Blake Armstrong, Joel McCraw, Christian Barajas, Mary Corrales, and Brandi Collard.

Others Present: Mildred Rodgers, Steve Horwitz, Nikki Rowan, Tammy Chitty, Micha Lowe, Frank McClain, Jan Box, Al Armistead, Kason Bailey, Deedra Thompson, Bailey Thompson, Travis Phillips, Michelle Countryman, Linda Mayhugh, Lance Mayhugh, Tony Miller, Renee Miller, Melva Stamper, Mr. & Mrs. Mark Brantley, Nanci Ralph, Tony Davis, Sherri Cates, Michael Cates, Blair Currey, Kelly Wall, and Kyle Thompson

Councilmember Scott Snodgrass made a motion to approve the December 17, 2024, regular Council meeting minutes. Councilmember Scott Gorby second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Scott Gorby made a motion to approve the December 2024 Financials. Councilmember Scott Snodgrass seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

City Secretary Report was given by Beverley Pearson.

Public Participation: Frank McClain and Mildred Rodger

Steve Horwitz – Battery Energy Storage Facility/391 Commission: No Action taken

Ordinance 2025-101: Order Calling for Election on May 3, 2025: Councilmember Brandi Morris made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-101. Councilmember Scott Gorby seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2025-102: Adopt City of Grand Saline Personnel Policy: Councilmember Scott Gorby made a motion to table Ordinance 2025-102. Councilmember Brandi Morris seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Chamber of Commerce Building/Lease: No action taken.

Tower lease agreement between the City of Grand Saline and Point Broadband Fiber Holding, LLC.: Councilmember Scott Gorby made a motion to approve the Tower lease agreement between the City of Grand Saline and Point Broadband Fiber Holding, LLC. Councilmember Leah Erwin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Grand Saline Police Department 2024 Yearly Racial Profiling Report: Councilmember Leah Erwin made a motion to approve the Grand Saline Police Department 2024 Yearly Racial Profiling Report. Councilmember Brandi Morris seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Memorandum of understanding between Van Zandt County Youth Diversion Program and the Grand Saline Municipal Court: Councilmember Brandi Morris made a motion to approve the Memorandum of understanding between Van Zandt County Youth Diversion Program and the Grand Saline Municipal Court. Councilmember Scott Gorby seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Strategic Committee: Mayor Pro Tem advised the strategic committee that she wants us to be sure to bring all matters to the Council to vote on as a whole.

The Council will convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (personnel) to conduct an evaluation of the Economic Development Coordinator:

Convene into Executive Session at 7:03 p.m.

Returned to Open session at 8:58 p.m.: No Action Taken

Department Reports: Reports were given by Department Heads.

Council Comments/Future Agenda Items: Resolution for 391 Commission, Personnel Policy, and Ambulance Service Contract/Agreement

Adjourn: Councilmember Scott Gorby made a motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Councilmember Brandi Morris second motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Leah Erwin

APPROVED, Leah Erwin, Mayor Pro Tem

Beverley Pearson

ATTEST, Beverley Pearson, City Secretary

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