

Grand Saline City Council
September 14, 2021
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, and Councilmember Jennifer Henderson.

Invocation given by Mayor Jeremy Gunnels followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flag.

City staff present -Tully Davidson, Dana Clair, Beverley Pearson, David Savage, Jeremy Barker, Kelli Bryant, Tammy Wiedman, Nick Haley, T.J. Foster, Tomasa King and Kay Barber.

Others Present: Blake Armstrong, Judy Rowton, Dustin Mason, Michele Gillentine, Yvonne Trent, Chad LaPrade, Sharon Presswood, Thomas G. High, Ron Williams, Linda Mayhugh, Rex White, Edward Ariaz, Veronia Ariaz, Denise Taylor, Christopher Trahan, Kim Gillentine, Andy Reese, Mike Ward (CPA), Tammy Chitty, Carlo Caravelta, Kerry Kindle, Bill Rowton, Diane Howerton, Debra Carnes, Sundy Garland, Cara Jordn, Emile Clifford, Liz Riveire, Linda Chesne, Walter Williams, Gail Hill, Blair Currey, Kristy White, Justin Beckham, Stacy Deathye.

Approve minutes of previous meetings – Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to approve the minutes for August 10, 2021, Regular Council Meeting & August 17, 2021, Special Called Meeting & Budget Workshop. Councilmember July Cato seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve financials for July and August 2021 - Councilmember Ridge Tardy made a motion to approve the financials for July and August 2021 as presented. Councilmember Jason Ivy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation – Rex White, Kay Barber - President of Main Street, Tomasa King - Main Street Board Member, Linda Mayhew - Administrator of Country Trails, Denise Taylor speaking on behalf of new owners of buildings on Main Street, and Tammy Chitty - Salt Festival President.

Presentation of TDA form A1024 CDBG Section 3 Goals and Concepts as related to the CDBG Program and Contract Number 7220152 – Viviana from Grantworks presented information to the Council. No Action Taken.

2019-2020 Audit Presentation by Mike Ward – Mr. Ward presented 2019-2020 Audit to Council. No Action Taken.

Ordinance No. 2021-105 Adopt the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget – Councilmember Jason Ivy made a motion to adopt the 2021-2021 fiscal year budget with amendment to fund the EDC/Main Street Director as a full time employee. Councilmember July Cato seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No 2021-106 Adopt the tax rate of \$0.89000000 - Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-106 adopting tax rate of \$0.89000000. Councilmember Ridge Tardy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-19 Approve and appoint Kerry Kindle and Bill Rowton to serve for a two year term on the Economic Development Board (EDC) – Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to approve the appointment of Kerry Kindle and Bill Rowton to the Economic Development Board for a two year term. Councilmember July Cato seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-20 Van Zandt County Appraisal District Board-Nomination – Councilmember Jason Ivy made a motion to nominate Edward Bailey to the Van Zandt County Appraisal District Board. Councilmember Ridge Tardy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote on Mayor Pro Tem – Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to appoint Councilmember July Cato as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilmember Ridge Tardy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve the Economic Development Corporation Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget – Councilmember Jennifer Henderson made a motion to approve the Economic Development Corporation fiscal year 2021-2022 budget. Councilmember Jason Ivy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Interlocal Agreement with Precinct One (1) Commissioner - Councilmember July Cato made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Precinct One (1) Commissioner. Councilmember Jennifer Henderson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-18 Approve street closure for 2021 Good Trail/Trunk or Treat for October 30, 2021 – Councilmember July Cato made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-18 Approve street closure for 2021 Good Trail/Trunk or Treat for October 30, 2021. Councilmember Jason Ivy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Award Bid for Air Conditioning/Heating at Park Restrooms – No Action Taken.

Approve Tully Davidson, Dana Clair, and Beverley Pearson as Signees on the CLFRF (Covid) Bank account – Councilmember July Cato made a motion to approve Tully Davidson, Dana Clair, and Beverley Pearson as Signees on the CLFRF (Covid) Bank account. Councilmember Jason Ivy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Department and Public Works Pay Scale – Tully Davidson presented the new Police Department and Public Works Pay Scale to the Council. No Action Necessary.


Renew Contract with City National Bank – Councilmember Jason Ivy made a motion to approve the renewal of the Contract with City National Bank for one (1) year. Councilmember Ridge Tardy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Departmental reports were given by the Department Heads.

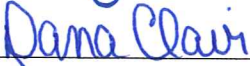
No Executive Session.

No Council comments/future agenda items.

Adjourn-Councilmember Ridge Tardy made a motion to adjourn at 8:51 p.m. Councilmember Jennifer Henderson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.



APPROVED, Jeremy Gunnels, Mayor



ATTEST: Dana Clair, City Secretary

