

MINUTES
CITY OF JOHNSON CITY, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL

The City of Johnson City City Council met for a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 303 E. Pecan Drive, Johnson City, Texas 78636. This was an open meeting, subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas.

Present: Rhonda Stell, Mayor
Gayla Guthrie
Stephanie Fisher
Teresa Babb
Patricia Dildine

Staff Present: Rick Schroder, CAO
Whitney Walston, City Secretary
BJ Sultemeier, Public Works Director
Ross Allen, Police Chief
Elizabeth Elleson, City Attorney

Citizens: Tricia Hartmann
Steve Sanchez
Kip Thompson
Debra Burkhard
Bart Burkhard
Charli Russell
Anne Burger
Bob & Lin Corrigan
Sara Allen

1. **Call to order.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Stell.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2. **Public Hearing to give all interested persons the right to appear and be heard on the proposed Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2023 Budget(s). (Staff)**

- a) **Discussion of and action on the postponement of a vote on the final FYE 2023 Budget(s) until the Special Meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 303 E. Pecan Drive, Johnson City, Texas 78636.**

The public hearing opened at 6:00 and closed at 6:02. Councilmember Fisher made the motion to approve the postponement of a vote on the final FYE 2023 Budget(s)

until the Special Meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, September 20. Councilmember Guthrie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

3. **Public Hearing to give all interested persons the right to appear and be heard on the proposed Tax Year 2022 ad valorem (property) tax rate. (Staff)**
 - a) **Discussion of and action on the postponement of a vote on the Tax Year 2022 ad valorem (property) tax rate until the Special Meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 303 E. Pecan Drive, Johnson City, Texas 78636.**

The public hearing opened and closed at 6:04 pm. Councilmember Babb made the motion to postpone the vote on the Tax Year 2022 ad valorem (property) tax rate until the Special Meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, September 20, 2022.

OPEN SESSION:

4. Citizens to be heard.

Kip Thompson spoke about fiscal responsibility.

5. Proclamations, Presentations, and/or Reports.

- a) **Proclamations – Mayor Rhonda Stell.**
A proclamation for Patriot Day and the National Day of Service and Remembrance and World Teachers’ Day was presented.
- b) **Report – Chief Administrative Officer Rick Schroder.**
There was no report.
- c) **Report – Public Works Director Brent Sultemeier.**
Public Works Director Brent Sultemeier presented and spoke on the topics included in his report. The report was provided in the council packet
- d) **Report – Police Chief Ross Allen**
Police Chief Ross Allen presented and spoke on the topics included in his report. The report was provided in the council packet.
- e) **Report – Code Enforcement Officer Jessica Oestreich.**
The report was provided in the council packet.
- f) **Report – Municipal Court Judge Tom Walston and Court Clerk Patricia Mikla.**
The report was provided in the council packet.
- g) **Report – Monthly Building Permit Report.**
The report was provided in the council packet.
- h) **Report – Monthly Work Order Report.**
The report was provided in the council packet.
- i) **Report – Johnson City Chamber of Commerce and Visitor’s Center.**

It was reported that new billboards were installed. Market Days were slow due to the heat. There were 187 contacts for the month.

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEM NOS. 6 - 10):

6. **Approval of the minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of the Johnson City City Council dated, respectively, August 2, 2022 and August 16, 2022. (Staff)**
7. **Approval of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas authorizing certain budget amendments pertaining to the adopted Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2022 budgets; incorporating recitals; authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to take all necessary steps to implement the provisions of this Ordinance and ratifying certain budget amendments implemented by the CAO on September 1, 2022; providing for severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict herewith; and setting an effective date. (Staff)**
8. **Approval of the Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2022 Revenue and Expense, Check Register, and Balance Sheet Reports dated September 1, 2022. (Staff)**
9. **Approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas supporting the Report of the 2022 Texas Municipal League Municipal Policy Summit, including, but not limited to, the Report's commitment to seek introduction and passage of legislation related to emergency services districts; authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer to take all necessary steps to implement the provisions of this Resolution; incorporating recitals; providing for severability; and adopting an effective date. (Staff)**
10. **Approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor's Public Safety Office for the Bullet-resistant Shield Grant Program, FY 2023; authorizing the Chief of Police to take all necessary steps to implement the provisions of this Resolution; incorporating recitals; providing for severability; and adopting an effective date. (Staff)**

Councilmember Dildine motioned for the approval of the consent agenda. Councilmember Guthrie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the consent agenda was approved.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

11. **Presentation by Anne Burger Entrekina, Regional Managing Director of Hilltop Securities, and discussion of and direction on the issuance of debt in the approximate amount of One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$1,500,000.00) for street maintenance / improvement projects, including the following "complete streets" projects / activities:**
 - a. **Removal / maintenance of vegetation;**

- b. **Repair / cleaning / maintenance / installation of drainage culverts and other drainage structures within rights-of-way;**
- c. **Repair / maintenance of existing sidewalks;**
- d. **Repair / maintenance / installation of street signage;**
- e. **Repair / maintenance / installation of street pavement; and**
- f. **Repair / maintenance / installation of street striping. (Staff)**

Council agrees to continue with fact finding process with an emphasis on public input.

12. **Pursuant to Municipal Code of Ordinances Chapter One *General Provisions*, Article 1.02 *Authority and Powers*, Division Two *Use of Official City Seal and Other Insignia*, discussion of and action on requests by Mrs. Debbie Burkhard and Mr. / Mrs. Woody Gish to use the City logo for retail purposes, including, but not limited to, shot glasses, fabric shopping / tote / wine bags, magnets, and other souvenir items. (Applicant)**

Councilmember Dildine made the motion to grant the use of the city logo to both parties (Burkhard and Gish). Councilmember Guthrie seconded the motion. Councilmember Fisher requested the motion to be amended to add a 6-month review of the use. Councilmember Dildine amended the motion and Councilmember Guthrie seconded the amended motion. All were in favor and the item was approved.

13. **Discussion of and action on a Chapter 380 Economic Development Award and Loan Agreement between the City of Johnson City, Texas and Titan Milling, Inc. for the relocation of the entity's business operations to the City and the renovation of 401 E. Main St., Johnson City, Texas 78636 in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$25,000.00). (Applicant)**

Councilmember Babb made the motion to accept the agreement with the change to 6.15 to include the addition of a \$5,000 annual scholarship. Councilmember Fisher seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

14. **Pursuant to Section 5 *Management of Funds* of a Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Funding Agreement dated February 2021 between the City of Johnson City, Texas and the Johnson City Chamber of Commerce, discussion of and action on the Chamber's FYE 2023 HOT Fund Budget. (Chamber)**

Councilmember Fisher made the motion to table the item. Councilmember Guthrie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the item was tabled.

15. **Discussion of and action on casting votes for the Board of Trustees, Places 6 – 9, of the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool. (TML-IRP)**

Councilmember Babb made the motion to select Councilmember Fisher to place 9. Councilmember Guthrie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

16. **Presentation of and discussion on proposed City of Johnson City FYE 2023 Budget(s). (Council / Staff)**

This was a discussion-only item. No action was taken.

17. **Discussion of and action on a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas regarding a financing agreement for the purpose of procuring heavy equipment, including a backhoe loader and a trailer mounted Sludge Mate®, in the amount of Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars and Six Cents (\$297,794.06), for a term of four (4) (4.70%) or five (5) (4.75%) years with payments payable from the Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Program (VERP) Fund. (Staff)**

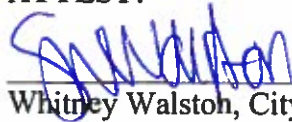
Councilmember Dildine made a motion to approve the resolution regarding the financing agreement to procure heavy equipment for a five-year term and to be funded from the VERP fund. Councilmember Fisher seconded the motion. All were in favor and the resolution passed.

With no further business before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.



Rhonda Stell, Mayor
City of Johnson City, Texas

ATTEST:



Whitney Walston, City Secretary