

MINUTES
CITY OF JOHNSON CITY, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL

The City of Johnson City City Council met for a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 2, 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
Shelton Coleman
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
Lisa Richardson
Zach Johnson
Sarah Allen
Brandy Wardlow
Richard Kolek

1. **Call to order.**

Mayor Stell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with Councilmember Babb leading the invocation.

OPEN SESSION:

2. **Citizens to be heard.**

Property Owner Lisa Richardson spoke about the taxing rate and asked the city to go with a .325% rate. She also spoke about the need for an EDC creation to help increase sales tax and lower the property tax burden.

REPORTS:

3. Proclamations, Presentations, and/or Reports.

a) **Report – Chief Administrative Officer Rick Schroder.**

- There was no report.
- b) **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
 - c) **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.
 - d) **Report – Code Enforcement Officer Jessica Oestreich.**
The report was provided in the council packet.
 - e) **Report – Municipal Court Judge Tom Walston and Court Clerk Patricia Mikla.**
The report was provided in the council packet.
 - f) **Report – Monthly Building Permit Report.**
The report was provided in the council packet.
 - g) **Report – Monthly Work Order Report.**
The report was provided in the council packet.
 - h) **Report – Johnson City Chamber of Commerce and Visitor’s Center.**
Quarter 2 financial transactions were included in the council packet. Patty Chimene spoke that the center is back in the Wither’s building and new billboards have been placed. There were 94 visitors in July and a lower turnout at market days due to the heat.

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEM NOS. 4 - 5):

- 4. **Approval of the minutes of the Special Meetings of the Johnson City City Council dated July 7, 2022 and July 26, 2022. (Staff)**
- 5. **Approval of the Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2022 Revenue and Expense, Check Register, and Balance Sheet Reports dated July 31, 2022. (Staff)**

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

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

- 6. **Discussion of and action on nominations to the Board of Trustees of the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool. (TML-IRP)**

Councilmember Coleman motioned to nominate Councilmember Fisher for place nine on the TML-IRP Board of Trustees. Councilmember Babb seconded the motion. All were in favor and the nomination was approved.

- 7. **Presentation of and discussion on proposed City of Johnson City FYE 2023 Budget(s), including, but not limited to, the following (Mayor Stell and Staff):**

- **General (Maintenance & Operations) Fund;**

- **Debt Service (Interest & Sinking) Fund;**
- **Water & Wastewater Utility Fund;**
- **Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Fund;**
- **Capital Replacement Fund;**
- **Municipal Court Security & Technology Funds;**
- **Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Program (VERP) Fund;**
- **Parks & Recreation Fund;**
- **Local Truancy Prevention & Diversion Fund;**
- **Municipal Court Jury Fund;**
- **Impact Fee Fund;**
- **Proposed School Resource Officer Interlocal Agreement between the City of Johnson City, Texas and the Johnson City Independent School District;**
- **Proposed ad valorem (property) tax rate; and**
- **Proposed personnel position, salary, benefit, and holiday schedule amendments.**

8. **Discussion of and action on placing a proposal to adopt an ad valorem (property) tax rate for Tax Year 2022 on the September 20, 2022 Meeting Agenda of the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas. (Staff)**

Councilmember Fished motioned to set the tax rate at 0.3569%. Councilmember Guthrie seconded the motion. Councilmembers Fisher, Babb, Coleman, Guthrie, and Dildine were all in favor. The motion as approved.

9. **Discussion of and action on setting Public Hearings on the proposed FYE 2023 Budget(s) on the August 16 and September 6, 2022 Meeting Agendas of the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas to be held at 6:00 p.m. C.S.T. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 303 E. Pecan Dr., Johnson City, Texas 78636. (Staff)**

10. **Discussion of and action on setting Public Hearings on the proposed Tax Year 2022 ad valorem (property) tax rate on the August 16 and September 6, 2022 Meeting Agendas of the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas to be held at 6:00 p.m. C.S.T. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 303 E. Pecan Dr., Johnson City, Texas 78636. (Staff)**

Councilmember Coleman made the motion to approve setting Public Hearings on the proposed FYE 2023 Budget(s) and proposed Tax Year 2022 ad valorem (property) tax rate on the August 16 and September 6, 2022 Meeting Agendas of the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas to be held at 6:00 p.m. C.S.T. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 303 E. Pecan Dr., Johnson City, Texas 78636. Councilmember Dildine seconded the motion. All were in favor and item 9 and 10 were approved.

With no further business before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Rhonda Stell, Mayor
City of Johnson City, Texas

ATTEST:

Whitney Walston, City Secretary

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The City of Johnson City City Council will met for a Special Meeting on Tuesday, August 16, 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
Shelton Coleman
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
Rayette Bible
Bob Corrigan
Lin Corrigan
Lynn Moore
Sarah Allen
Gavin Allen
Mandy Buck
Alvah Buck
Carlette Lewis

1. **Call to order.**

Mayor Stell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Pastor Steve Sanchez led the invocation and the pledge followed.

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)**
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)**

The public hearings opened at 6:01 pm and closed at 6:02 pm. There were no comments.

OPEN SESSION:

4. **Citizens to be heard.**

Steve Sanchez spoke in support of the SRO agreement. Carlette Lewis also spoke in support of the SRO agreement.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

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

6. **Discussion of and action on an Interlocal Agreement between the Johnson City Independent School District and the City of Johnson City, Texas for the School Resource Officer Program. (Staff)**

Councilmember Babb made a motion to approve the agreement. Councilmember Coleman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the item was approved.

7. **Presentation by Rayette Bible, Chair of Lights Spectacular 2022, and discussion of and action on the following:**

- a. **Approval of the Lights Spectacular 2022 event dated 11/24/2022 – 1/8/2023, including, but not limited to, the use of City streets and facilities, a parade, a public fireworks display, alcoholic beverage sales, retail and food vendor booths, and associated street closures, all to be incorporated into a comprehensive Special Event / Parade Permit Application and other supplementary applications and submitted for review and approval to the Mayor and City Staff; and**
- b. **Contingent upon City Council's approval of the FYE 2023 Municipal Budget(s) and the inclusion of sufficient outside agency / hotel occupancy tax (HOT) funding in the same, the approval of a donation amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 to Lights Spectacular Hill Country Style, Inc. The 2022 Lights Spectacular Outside Agency / HOT Funding Application shall be reviewed and approved by the City Council following its adoption of the FYE 2023 Municipal Budget(s). (Applicant)**

Councilmember Fisher made a motion to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Guthrie seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

8. **Pursuant to Municipal Code of Ordinances Chapter 13 *Utilities*, Article 13.05 *Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan*, discussion of and action on the initiation of Stage One (1) Drought Response requesting voluntary conservation of water. (Council)**

Councilmember Dildine proposed water use education for the public in leu of the stage one drought response. All members of the council were in agreement with this course of action.

9. **Discussion of and action on the installation of additional water and wastewater stub-outs, including, but not limited to, a price proposal from Pipe Creek Construction dated August 5, 2022, along Old River Crossing Road and resulting from the development of a recreational vehicle / glamping campground located at 675 Old River Crossing Road, Johnson City, Texas 78636, more particularly described as BCAD Prop. ID Nos. 9296 and 23301. (Council)**

Item died due to lack of a motion.

With no further items before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Rhonda Stell, Mayor
City of Johnson City, Texas

ATTEST:

Whitney Walston, City Secretary