TOWN OF GLEN RIDGE

 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

6 March 2024 --7:00P.M.

Mayor McLane called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. John Deal called the roll. A quorum was attained.

Town Officials: Thomas Lisi Council Member

Leila Rothe Council Member

Gary Sullivan Council Member

Taylor Jantz Council Member

Alice McLane Mayor

Also present: Town Attorney Doug MacGibbon, Town Manager John Deal.

PBSO/PBCFR MONTHLY REPORT

PBSO: For January and February: Medical call on Taylor; several 911 hangups; Fraud-Shannondale; Noise complaint-Island Rd; Suspicious person-Churchill.

PBC F/R: January: 3 alarms, 2 medical, 1 other; February: 1 medical, 1 alarm; 10-year anniversary of collaboration with cancer institute from UM med school.

PBC COMMISSION ON ETHICS

* Rhonda Giger gave brief overview of PBC ethics training requirements; offered group or individual instruction to council members.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 3 January 2024 (Lisi/Jantz-M/S/C unanimously)

FINANCE REPORT Filed reports for December 2023; January 2024;

* Manager reported that town budget now shows a net income after the first five months of the fiscal year;
* At 41% through the fiscal year, both revenue and expenses are at 41% of annual budget;

MAYOR’S REPORT

* Mayor McLane reported that Mayor Parade at Fair was rained out.
* Attended CCAN meeting on 2/22—FAA looking to expand airspace east and west; PBIA has 2nd highest general aviation activity in the state; PBIA seeking to add Customs station in north county.
* Attended LOC meeting on 2/28; expressed her displeasure at the Form 6 requirement to all in attendance.
* Elected Officers Workshop to be 4/24; further information to come at April meeting.

COUNCIL’S REPORT – None

ATTORNEY’S REPORT – None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

CLERK’S REPORT – See attached printed report.

OLD BUSINESS

* Manger reported fine of $500 for prohibited vehicles at 4030 Gem Lake Dr. has been paid, and case is closed. Fines are accruing at 1255 Taylor due to excessive grass/weed height; total approaching $20,000; Manager filed a lien on the property with the Clerk of Courts.
* Council approved the request for special exception as per Ordinance 2023-2 for 1550 Southern LP for self-storage facility west of 1550 Southern Blvd. Check received for $3000 to initiate site plan review, which will occur as soon as possible. Manager will send letter informing of exception approval.
* Mayor announced that there is still a vacancy on Council and asked members to suggest possible applicants.

NEW BUSINESS

* Council Concerns
	+ Parking at 1255 Taylor blocking neighbor drive; Manager will research code and send letter.
	+ Council Member Lisi brought several issues to Council, including trees on Gem Lake, children riding mopeds, continuity of operations in an emergency, and remote meetings; Each was discussed and clarified; Council took no action.
	+ Council Member Rothe discussed adding shrubbery to east side of Flury Park for greater comfort and security. Members were asked to inspect the situation; No action was taken; will be brought back at April meeting.
* Manager suggested that Council host an event in recognition of former Council members’ service; No action was taken; Members were asked to return in April with ideas.
* Manager announced that speed bump signs and some replacement speed limit signs had been purchased; he has identified a person to install these and do other public works tasks.
* Manager reviewed data from PBC Water Utilities on projected costs for septic to sewer conversion for Cloud Lake and Glen Ridge.
* Council approved a bid from Razorback Electric for retrofit of 18 can lights on the porch of Town Hall at $800. (Jantz/Sullivan – M/S/C unanimously).
* Council approved repair of stucco on garage of Town Hall not to exceed $3500 by Maki Construction (Sullivan/Jantz—M/S/C unanimously).
* Discussion ensued over the FPL project to put power lines under ground at no cost to residents.
* Manager reported that six small municipalities in PBC were awarded a grant to conduct a state-mandated assessment of vulnerability for flooding and sea level rise. The PBC Office of Resiliency was awarded the grant by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.
* Council approved Resolution 24-001 to support renewal of the infrastructure surtax. (Jantz/Sullivan, M/S/C unanimously).

ADJOURNMENT: 8:30 PM (Sullivan/Jantz, M/S/C unanimously).