TOWN OF GLEN RIDGE

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1 November 2023 --7:00P.M.

Mayor McLane called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. following the public hearing before the Local Planning Agency. John Deal called the roll. A quorum was attained. Council Member Eckerson was absent.

Town Officials: Matt Hadden Council Member

Allen Minars Council Member

Gary Sullivan Council Member

Taylor Jantz Council Member

Alice McLane Mayor

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

OATH OF OFFICE: Taylor Jantz, new Council member, took the Oath of Office administered by Town Attorney.

PBSO/PBCFR MONTHLY REPORT

PBSO: Deputy Schnell submitted the following report for the past month

* 10/22, Gem Lake Drive – **Fraud**. The victim did not sustain any financial loss; the suspect is known to the victim.
* 10/26 at 7:14 pm, Glen Road – **Suspicious Person**. Subject walking up and down the street, unknown to caller. Deputies made contact with the subject, and their information was obtained.

Deputy Schnell is going on maternity leave; a replacement deputy will attend starting in December.

PBC F/R: Craig Spiegelhalter introduced himself as temporary replacement for Tracey Adams who is on medical leave. There were 3 calls in Glen Ridge in October (1 EMS, 1 Alarm, 1 Illegal Burn). For September there were 4 calls (3 EMS, 1 Alarm). He announced that a 2nd rescue vehicle will be stationed at Station 33, which serves Glen Ridge. He further updated Council on additional operational items.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 4 October 2023 (Hadden/Minars, M/S/C unanimously)

FINANCE REPORT – Filed report for 30 September 2023, the end of FY 2022-23; Manager reported that he will transfer $120,000 from Truist accounts to Synovus in order to capitalize on interest income.

MAYOR’S REPORT

* Mayor McLane reported that she has been appointed to the PBIA CCAN committee representing County Commission District 3.

COUNCIL’S REPORT – None

ATTORNEY’S REPORT – None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

CLERK’S REPORT – See attached printed report.

OLD BUSINESS –

* Ordinance 2023-2 given second reading; motion to approve upon recommendation of Local Planning Agency (Hadden/Sullivan M/S/C, unanimously).
* Manager provided update on Special Magistrate Hearing of 10/11/23 concerning 4043 Gem Lake Dr. and 1255 Taylor Rd. Another hearing on 1255 Taylor scheduled for 11/14/23 due to excessive grass/weed height.
* Manager instructed to contact Clara McCutcheon regarding projects for her Eagle Scout Troop.

NEW BUSINESS

* Manager reported on inventory of traffic signs throughout Town. Cost for new and replacement signs will be ca. $600. Council will also consider replacing street name signs with something more modern.
* Manager reported that A Great Fence will be in town on 11/6/23 to provide an estimate for repairs of fence at Flury Park.
* Manager reminded Council of Election Qualifying dates and distributed materials to those who need to do that for the 2024 Municipal Election.
* Manager reported that items in front of garage will be stored in garage before Thanksgiving once the new sign is installed and once hurricane season has ended.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:56 PM (Hadden/Sullivan, M/S/C unanimously).