

Lisa Parrish
Mayor

Ray Johnson
Place I

Thomas Gutwa
Place II

James Belz
Mayor Pro Tem, Place III



Rob Foster
Ward I

Gwen Beeson
Ward II

Owen Larson
Ward III

Regular City Council Meeting
Keene City Hall
Robert G. Cooper Council Chamber
1000 N. Old Betsy Rd
Cleburne, Texas 76031
Thursday, October 5, 2023, at 6:00 pm

1. **CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, PLEDGE TO TEXAS FLAG**

2. **MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cell phones are to be placed on vibrate/silent only. No conversation or comment from the audience is permitted unless specifically called upon by the Mayor. Please remain respectfully quiet.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Each person in attendance who desires to speak to the City Council on an item NOT posted on the agenda shall speak during this section.

A speaker card needs to be filled out and turned in to the City Secretary prior to addressing the City Council. Each speaker will be allotted three (3) minutes.

Please note that City Council may only take action on items posted on the agenda. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the City Council from deliberating or taking action on an item not listed on the agenda. City Council may, however, receive your comments on the unlisted item, ask clarifying questions, respond with facts, and explain policy.

Each person in attendance who desires to speak to the City Council on an item posted on the agenda shall speak when the item is called forward for consideration.

4. **REPORTS**

Informational reports only; no action to be taken.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

Public Hearing and Take Possible Action Regarding:

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

All items listed below have been previously discussed, require no deliberation, or are routine by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of the items.

Items to be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion by the City Council.

If discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately. Otherwise, approval of the consent agenda authorizes the City Manager to implement each item in accordance with the staff's recommendation.

A. Consider approval of City Council minutes dated September 21, 2023.
(Staff Contact: City Secretary Tabatha Mansell)

B. Consider approval of a resolution appointing an early voting judge, presiding election judge, alternate election judge, and authorizing the Johnson County Elections Administer to appoint the necessary election clerks to conduct the November 7, 2023, City of Keene General Election. (Staff Contact: City Secretary Tabatha Mansell)

7. **GENERAL**

Discuss, Consider, and Take Possible Action Regarding:

- A. Consider approval of a resolution nominating candidate(s) for the Johnson County Central Appraisal District Board for the years 2024-2025. (Mayor Parrish requested)
- B. Discuss and give staff direction changing the scheduled days and times for City Council meetings. (Councilmembers Foster and Johnson requested)
- C. Discuss potential future street maintenance fund. (City Manager Brent Batla requested)

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene into Executive Session at any time during the meeting that a need arises for the City Council to seek advice from the City Attorney as to any posted item and by the following authority:

A. **Section 551.074. Personnel Matters**

- Review, deliberate, and discuss the performance evaluation, duties, benefits, compensation, and employee agreement for the City Secretary.

8.1 Convene into Executive Session:

8.2 Reconvene into Open Session:

Any action taken on above listed Executive Session.

9. **REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

10. **ADJOURN**

This is to certify that a true and correct copy of this Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the Keene City Hall, 1000 N. Old Betsy Road, Cleburne, Texas a place readily accessible to the general public at all times and to the City's website www.keenetx.com, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, on at 11:30 a.m., Monday, October 2, 2023.



By: Tabatha Mansell
Tabatha Mansell, City Secretary

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