

CITY OF SHINER CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES AND CERTIFIED AGENDA  
Hoffie & Lank Wolters Public Library  
Regular Council Meeting, June 5, 2023  
115 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Shiner, TX

1.) **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Hilscher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2.) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Mayor Fred Hilscher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.) **INVOCATION** – Councilperson David Schroeder led the invocation.

4.) **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT	COUNCILPERSON	GREGORY MURRILE
PRESENT	COUNCILPERSON	DAVID SCHROEDER
PRESENT	COUNCILPERSON	WILL FRANKLIN
PRESENT	COUNCILPERSON	ALOIS LOUIS HERMAN
PRESENT	COUNCILPERSON	GUS JAEHNE
PRESENT	MAYOR	FRED HENRY HILSCHER

Others present were City Secretary, Natalie Fric; Police Sgt. James Whited; Public Works Director, Justin Hanson; Johnathan Gluckman; Jimmy Mauric; Bobby Horecka; Jenny Popp, Larry Hlavac.

5.) **ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE MAYOR AS TO THE PRESENCE OF A QUORUM, THE MEETING HAS BEEN CALLED AND THE NOTICE OF MEETING HAS BEEN POSTED FOR TIME & MANNER AS REQUIRED BY LAW** - Mayor Fred Hilscher announced that a quorum was present, and the meeting has been called and notices have been posted for the time and manner as required by law.

6.) **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Each speaker addressing the Council is limited to 3 minutes. Each speaker addressing the Council must state their name and nature of comments. The Council may not deliberate or act on non-agenda items.* There were no public comments.

7.) **CONSENT AGENDA**

*This portion of the agenda consists of items considered routine and can be approved by one motion unless separate discussion is requested by a member of the City Council.*

- a. Approval of the minutes from the regular council meeting dated May 1, 2023, and special meeting dated May 9, 2023.
- b. Approval of the monthly expenses, checks paid, revenue and expense reports and CD and bank balances.
- c. Approve use of Green Dickson Park for disc golf Tourney June 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> – Team Justice Disc Golf. Councilman David Schroeder made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Councilman Gus Jaehne seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)

8.) **OLD BUSINESS:**

*Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action regarding:*

- a. Fire Department Update – No Action

9.) **NEW BUSINESS:**

*Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action regarding:*

- a. Reschedule July City Council meeting due to Independence Day Holiday. (If necessary) Councilman David Schroeder made a motion to keep the Council meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. Councilman Will Franklin seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)
- b. Resolution 2023-011 appointing Deborah A. Sevcik, PCC Lavaca County Tax Assessor-Collector to perform calculations for the City of Shiner for the 2023 tax roll. Councilman Gus Jaehne made a motion to appoint Deborah Sevcik to perform tax calculations for the 2023 tax roll. Councilman David Schroeder seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)
- c. Schedule 1<sup>st</sup> budget workshop in July. The first budget workshop was scheduled for July 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.
- d. 2023 Preliminary Estimate of Taxable Values. City Secretary Natalie Fric presented the estimate of values for 2023 at \$282,169,98.00 an increase of \$24,974,421.00 from 2022, with an approximate levy of \$782,071.74.
- e. Limb pick-up policy and procedures. Councilman Schroeder wanted to give the citizens that are not 65 & older the option to pay for limb pick-up if they are not able to transport the limbs to the park. It was discussed that the city crews could spend a maximum of 20 minutes on site to pick up limbs and the fee would be \$20.00. Anything over 20 minutes would be an additional \$20.00. Contractors are still responsible for disposing of limbs that are cut down, and the over 65 procedures would remain the same. Councilman Greg Murrile made a motion to approve the fee and time limits for limb pickup. Councilman Gus Jaehne seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)
- f. Use of HOT funds for advertisement in Discover Lavaca County magazine. Bobby Horecka presented the last years magazine to Council and hopes that they would be interested in advertising a back cover again. City Secretary Natalie Fric said she received approval from the Chamber office to split the cost of this advertisement since it does feature Chamber events as well. The cost for each entity would be \$500.00. Councilman David Schroeder made a motion to approve the advertisement. Councilman Will Franklin seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)
- g. Burn permit application for 16<sup>th</sup> Street & Ave F (see map). Councilman Greg Murrile made a motion to approve the permit. Councilman Gus Jaehne seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)
- h. Burn permit application for 620 W 9th Street. Councilman Louis Herman said he verified it was just wood and limbs on location. Councilman David Schroeder made a motion to approve the permit. Councilman Will Franklin seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)
- i. Burn permit application for 1720 N Ave E. Councilman David Schroeder made a motion to approve the permit. Councilman Greg Murrile seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)
- j. Petition & Resolution to vacate & close portion of Dickson, Eleventh & Strauss Street in the city of Shiner. Councilman Greg Murrile made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Will Franklin seconded the motion. (Motion passed 5-0)

10.) **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:**

- a. STAFF REPORTS

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT – Sgt. James Whited – Whited updated Council on the Tahoe’s still being on backorder, Whited has put together a citizen’s law enforcement academy which is county wide. The academy will start on August 16<sup>th</sup> and should end in November. Whited reported a new police officer – Jason Mikeska will be joining the force tomorrow.
2. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Public Works Director Justin Hanson – Hanson reported Shiner ISD will be needing 3 phase power at the old gym to run air conditioners. Work on the basketball court at the park will begin soon. The chlorination system on the water plant will need to be replaced. It has been in service since 1994.
3. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – Sales tax for May was \$56,285.19. Mrs. Fric asked who could be available for a meeting with Schneider engineering on Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. to discuss solar projects in the city. Mrs. Fric advised the sales tax increase will probably not be in effect until the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2023, but all taxpayers should get an official notice from the comptroller.

**b. COUNCIL REPORTS**

1. Councilperson Gregory Murrile –Library & Museum – Councilman Murrile said the Summer Reading Program is starting up at the library. Murrile reported there was a news crew at the museum last week for segment on their travel section & YOLO would be coming to the museum on Tuesday. The Rotary room has been all completed and they are still working on digitizing everything at the museum.
2. Councilperson David Schroeder report – Parks & Sanitation – Councilman Schroeder discussed the contingency plan for rain during Half-Moon-Holidays. He told Chamber President Egon Barthels to get with the Police Department with a preliminary plan if the event should need to be moved to town.
3. Councilperson Will Franklin – Electric & Police – Councilman Franklin commended Sgt. Whited for undertaking the citizens law enforcement academy.
4. Councilperson Alois Louis Herman report – Streets, Sewer, and Water Departments – No Report.
5. Councilperson Gus Jaehne– Fire & EMS – No Report.
6. Mayor, Fred Henry Hilscher report – All Departments– Mayor Hilscher extended an invitation to the GVEC lineman’s rodeo that will be taking place at the end of this month.

11.) ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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City Secretary

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Mayor