

**MINUTES  
of the  
KEENE CITY COUNCIL**

**THURSDAY, June 2, 2022**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Gary Heinrich, Mayor Pro-Tem Gwen Beeson, Lisa Parrish, Robert Cooper, Rob Foster, Thomas Gutwa, and Phillip Jackson.

**ABSENT:** None

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Invocation – Councilmember Foster**

**Pledge of Allegiance & Pledge to the Texas Flag – Council and Public**

**1. Public Comments:**

- Jennifer Bagget spoke in reference to the minutes from the previous meeting. She advised that she wanted to have her whole statement added to the minutes. Mayor Heinrich stated that the public comments will not be verbatim and that it is a summary.

**2. Mayor Comments:**

- Mayor Heinrich recognized Ken Campbell's recent wedding.

**3. Consideration of City Council Minutes dated June 2, 2022.**

- Councilmember Parrish stated that she would like to see a correction to the number seven (7) item regarding the Executive Session. She advised that "No executive session was held" should be added to the minutes
- Councilmember Parrish made a motion to approve the City Council Minutes dated May 19, 2022, with the corrections to item 7. Councilmember Foster seconded the motion.
- Motion Carried (6-0-0)

**4. Discuss and take possible action on a mid-year salary adjustment to the Public Works Department.**

- City Manager Bernie Parker explained the salary adjustment needed for the Public Works Department due to the loss of staff and the competitive market.
- Councilmember Cooper made a motion to approve the suggestion. Councilmember Foster seconded the motion.
- Motion Carried (4-3-0)
  - For
    - Councilmember Beeson
    - Councilmember Cooper
    - Councilmember Foster
  - Against
    - Councilmember Parrish
    - Councilmember Gutwa
    - Councilmember Jackson
  - Mayor Heinrich broke the tie by voting for the motion.

5. Discuss and take action on approving the preliminary plat for the Stonehurst Addition.
  - Mr. Parker briefly spoke about the development and the process of this development.
  - Councilmember Parrish made a motion to approve the preliminary plat for the Stonehurst Addition. Councilmember Foster seconded the motion.
  - Motion Carried (6-0-0)
6. City Manager Report:
  - Mr. Parker spoke about the upcoming bulk trash pickup, budget workshops, vacancies within the city, upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July event, Well #7 update, and sidewalk update.
7. Executive Session: Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene into a closed, Executive Session in accordance with the following authority:

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

Councilmember Parrish remained in council chambers.

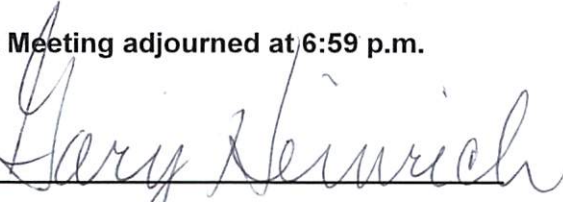
551.071 (consultation with the attorney)	551.072 (real property)	551.073 (prospective gifts)
551.074 (personnel matters)	551.076 (security matters)	551.087 (economic development)

Executive Session may be held, under these exceptions, at the end of the Regular Session, Workshop and/or Special Session, or at any time during the meeting that a need arises for the City Council to seek advice from the City Attorney as to the posted subject matter of this City Council Meeting.

*551.074 (personnel matters) – City Secretary Interview*

8. Reconvene into Open Session for possible action resulting from any item posted and discussed in Executive Session.
  - Council reconvened into Open Session at 6:55 p.m.
  - No action taken
9. Discussion and requests for future items on the agenda.
  - An update on the scope of work of the janitorial contract was requested from the City Manager.

10. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

By:   
 Gary Heinrich, Mayor

Attest:   
 Natanael Drambareanu, Interim City Secretary