

**CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JULY 11, 2023**

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: Municipal Building

A. Call Meeting to Order

The City Council of the City of Eagle Lake convened in regular session on the 11th day of July 2023, with the following members present:

Mayor: Timothy L. Kelley
Mayor Pro-Tem: Amy Maxwell
Councilmembers: Larry Contreras
Chris Parker
Jim Wood
City Manager: Charles "Tink" Jackson
City Secretary: Lina Ferguson

Absent: Councilmember Rene Cooper

B. Invocation

Mayor Kelley delivered the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

- D. Public Comments: Any person may comment on any subject, but Council must limit any discussion to placing the items on a future City Council agenda for discussion and/or action.** *(Comments made under this agenda item are limited to three (3) minutes per person. City Council members are excluded from public comments. This is in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.)*

None.

E. Consent Agenda

All the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by the Mayor or a Council Member, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

1. Previous Minutes – June 13, 2023 Regular Meeting and June 21, 2023 Special Meeting.

Councilmember Wood made the motion to approve the previous minutes as presented. Councilmember Parker seconded. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

F. Items for Discussion and Action

2. Discussion and Possible Action on Adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-04, An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Eagle Lake, Texas Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of the City of Eagle Lake, Texas, Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023; Levying a Tax and Providing for the Security and Payment Thereof; And Enacting Other Provisions Relating Thereto. – Charles "Tink" Jackson, City Manager

Ben Rosenberg with U.S. Capital Advisors LLC presented the results of the Competitive Bond Sale for Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023. The lowest bid was The Baker Group. Once Attorney General approval is obtained, the funds should be received by August 10, 2023. Councilmember Maxwell made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2023-04 Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of the City of Eagle Lake, Texas, Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023; Levying a Tax and Providing for the Security and Payment Thereof; And Enacting Other Provisions Relating Thereto. Councilmember Wood seconded. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

The ordinance is numbered 2023-04, and its caption reads "AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAGLE LAKE, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE CITY OF EAGLE LAKE, TEXAS, CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2023; LEVYING A TAX AND PROVIDING FOR THE SECURITY AND PAYMENT THEREOF; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO".

3. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Colorado County Central Appraisal District's Preliminary 2024 Budget. – Charles "Tink" Jackson, City Manager

Mark Price, Chief Appraiser with Colorado County Appraisal District addressed council concerning the Colorado County Central Appraisal District's preliminary 2024 budget. The city's allocations will increase by an estimate of \$12,000. The vast majority of the increase in the budget

was in personnel. Price noted that the schedules have not been adjusted in the county for at least eight years, and possibly 10 years. Prior to Sept. 15, Price said the appraisal board must have the final budget approved, which the city will have 30 days to review the budget and then approve or reject the budget. Once they know what the tax rates are, they will be able to calculate the city's percentage of the budget

4. Discussion and Possible Action on Appointments to Various Committees, Boards and Positions. – Timothy L. Kelley, Mayor

-H-GAC Representative & Alternate (2) – Timothy L. Kelley and Alternate Amy Maxwell
-Library Board Representative (1) – Charles “Tink” Jackson

-Fireman’s Board Representative (1) – Larry Contreras

- Airport Zoning Board (1) – John Young and Brian Center

Mayor Kelley nominated Jason Brunner to serve on the Airport Advisory Committee.

Councilmember Wood made the motion to accept the nomination. Councilmember Parker seconded. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

-Airport Advisory Committee (2) – Amy Maxwell, Joe H. McCreary, John Young, Rene’ Cooper and Jason Brunner

Mayor Kelley nominated Gary Rucka to serve on the Zoning and Planning. Maxell made the motion to accept the nomination. Councilmember Wood seconded. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

Mayor Kelley nominated Roderick James (to fill vacated position) to serve on the Zoning and Planning. Maxell made the motion to accept the nomination. Councilmember Contreras seconded. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

-Zoning and Planning (1) – Gary Rucka and Roderick James (to fill the vacated position)

-Board of Adjustment (3) – Chris Parker nominated Wayne Bowen. Councilmember Wood made the motion to accept the nomination. Councilmember Contreras second. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

Jim Wood nominated Mary Ann Kaluza. Councilmember Maxwell made the motion to accept the nomination. Councilmember Parker second. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

5. Presentation and Discussion of City of Eagle Lake Investment Report and Proposed Changes. – Charles “Tink” Jackson, City Manager

Budget Officer Angie Jackson presented the investment report with proposed changes. Mrs. Jackson advised that some of the bank accounts and CDs are being reinvested in TexPool which will provide an increase in the interest rates. TexPool is a liquid account, and the funds are accessible.

6. Presentation and Possible Action regarding Proposed Eagle Lake Fitness Court through the National Fitness Campaign. – Charles “Tink” Jackson, City Manager

City Manager Jackson announced that discussions were held with the National Fitness Campaign for a proposed fitness court. The total cost would be approximately \$205,000 and the city has been awarded a \$40,000 grant from BCBS towards the costs. The total cost for the city would be \$165,000 and \$85,000 will be paid from Special Fund Accounts and Contingency. Councilmember Maxwell made the motion to approve the proposed Eagle Lake Fitness Court project with payment coming from the special accounts and contingency account. Councilmember Wood seconded. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

7. Discussion and Possible Action on Budget Planning Calendar for 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget. – Charles “Tink” Jackson, City Manager

City Manager Jackson provided a budget questionnaire for submittal for the preparation on the proposed budget. Councilmember Contreras made the motion to schedule the first budget workshop on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Cooper seconded. VOTE: 4-0 in favor, motion passed.

G. Presentation and Discussion of Reports – Charles “Tink” Jackson, City Manager

8. Administration

- City Manager Report: The photos of the photo contest winners are displayed in council chambers. The CCR Report was mailed out as required by TCEQ. The second round of funding is open for the LCRA Community Grants, and an application will be made for the pool repairs. The second set of swings was added, and an infant swing will be added to the tire swing soon. Thanked Angie for the work on the Bond rating, which the city received an A+. An RFQ will be issued for engineering services so planning can start for the road projects. Met with Endeavors and working to establish an open line of communication involving monthly meetings. The first budget workshop will be held on Tuesday, August 1.

9. Public Works

- Public Works Director Report: The backup generator at Davitt has repairs scheduled; West Main needs a new control box and transfer switch; the well motor was installed, and booster pump motor restored. Four curb locations were completed and restored. All water meters have been installed. Working with Hallettsville Communication to get the siren working again.

10. Police Department

- Monthly Reports – None.

11. Code Enforcement/Inspections

- Monthly Reports: Public Works Director Shimek reviewed the monthly permit summary report.

12. Airport

- A TxDOT meeting is scheduled. One hangar needs new lights.

H. Council Reports

- Expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences.
- Information regarding holiday schedules;
- An honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen, except that a discussion regarding a change in the status of a person's public office or public employment is not an honorary or salutary recognition for purposes of this subdivision;
- A reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body;
- Information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the political subdivision; and
- Announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the political subdivision that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

Councilmember Maxwell thanked Budget Officer Jackson for the investment opportunity.

I. Future Agenda Items: *List of additional agenda items to provide the City Manager for future Council meetings – without discussion and taking no action.*


Councilmember Parker would like to discuss the agreement with the Golf Course.

J. Adjournment

There being no further business on the meeting's agenda, Mayor Kelley declared the meeting adjourned.


TIMOTHY L. KELLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:


LINA FERGUSON, CITY SECRETARY