

**MINUTES  
CITY OF AMES, TEXAS  
304 MARTIN DR. – AMES, TEXAS  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 10, 2023  
6:00 p.m.**

The City Council for the City of Ames, Texas met in a regular meeting in council chambers at the Ames City Hall at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Cornelius Gilmore called the meeting to order at that time. Mayor Gilmore led the prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Gilmore did the roll call, at that time the members of the City Council who were present were: Mayor Cornelius Gilmore, Michael Trahan, Liz Hardy, Eddie White, and Audrey Harrison. Absent: Alfred Freeman.

**CITIZEN APPEARANCE**

Mayor Gilmore thanked the citizens for being there and to please silence their phones. A list of attending citizens is attached.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MARCH 27, 2023, BUDGET HEARING.**

The council took a few minutes to look over the minutes. A motion was made to approve minutes for March 27, 2023, Budget Hearing. Passed unanimously.

**Motion made by: Councilman Michael Trahan  
Seconded by: Councilwoman Audrey Harrison  
All in favor: 4 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MARCH 27, 2023, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING.**

The council took a few minutes to look over the minutes. A motion was made to approve minutes for March 27, 2023, Special Called meeting. Passed unanimously.

**Motion made by: Councilman Michael Trahan  
Seconded by: Councilwoman Audrey Harrison  
All in favor: 4 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0**

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:**

**1. DISCUSS AND IF APPROPRIATE TAKE ACTION TO PROCEED WITH ANNEXATION OF THE FOLLOWING UNINCORPORATED PROPERTY: Mallett Lane, Mac Lane, and Hwy 160 South**

Attorney Marevious Allen addressed the council about the progress with the annexation of the following unincorporated properties Mallet Lane, Mac Lane, and HWY 160 North. After he gathers all the information and gets the approval from the citizens located on the properties then he will be able to start the annexation process. He also informed the council that once those properties are annexed the city will then be able to provide city services to the citizens located on the properties. Mr. Allen gave the council members and Mayor a copy of his draft explaining the annexation process and went over it with them. The council also discussed the possible services that they could provide for citizens. A motion was made to proceed with the annexation process.

**Motion made by: Councilman Michael Trahan**

**Seconded by: Councilman Eddie White**

**All in favor: 4 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0**

**2. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO REPAIR SYLPHEME RD. (TO BE PAID OUT OF GENERAL FUND) (TWO QUOTES ATTACHED).**

Mayor Gilmore informed the council that work was done on the manhole that is located on Sylpheme Rd. fifteen (15) months ago and it needs to be repaired. Councilwoman Audrey Harrison suggested getting up-to-date quotes and that also three (3) quotes are required. Councilman Michael Trahan also added that the city still has issues with the budget and only need to be repaired because the current quotes are to pave the entire street of Sylpheme. A motion was made to postpone this item until there are at least three (3) up-to-date quotes on repair. The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion made by: Councilwoman Audrey Harrison**

**Seconded by: Councilman Eddie White**

**All in favor: 4 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0**

**3. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO PAVE THE FOLLOWING STREETS: FRIEND ST., GANTS ST., ORGAN RD., TEBO ST., BERNARD ST. (TO BE PAID OUT OF GENERAL FUND) (QUOTE ATTACHED).**

The council discuss which streets on the list the city could legally pave and the conditions. The council agreed to only focus on the streets with the worst conditions and those streets are Organ Rd. and Friend St. The council also spoke about the city still needing to finish their audit process

first before making a big purchase. Three (3) up-to-date quotes are needed for just Organ Rd. and Friend St. A motion was made to postpone this item until there are three (3) up-to-date quotes to pave Organ Rd. and Friend St. The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion made by: Councilwoman Audrey Harrison**

**Seconded by: Councilman Eddie White**

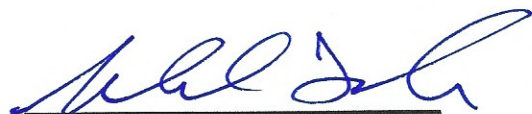
**All in favor: 4 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0**

## **9. MAYOR'S REPORT.**

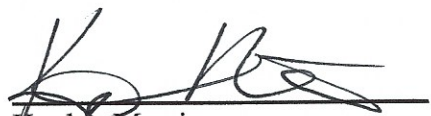
Mayor Gilmore let the council know that an email was sent to them about Comcast's response about the internet.

## **10. DISCUSSION/REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.**

**11. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.**



Michael Trahan  
Mayor Pro-tem



Kaylan Morris  
Acting City Secretary