

Kirby Smith, Council Member
Brian Darby, Council Member
Holly Gray-Moore, Mayor Pro-Tem



Carl E. Gierisch, Jr., Mayor

Vacant, Council Member
Angie Grimm, Council Member
David Thompson, Council Member

**MINUTES
ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2021
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
500 S. OAK STREET
7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Carl E. "Scooter" Gierisch, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tem Holly Gray-Moore; Council Members: Angie Grimm, Kirby Smith, Brian Darby, and David Thompson; City Manager Scott Campbell, City Secretary April S. Hill, and City Attorney Jeff Moore.

DEPT. STAFF: Assistant City Manager Cody Petree, Director of Fiscal and Administrative Services Vicki Rodriguez, Fire Chief Chris Addington, Chief of Police Jeriahme Miller, Parks and Recreation Director Ronnie Angel, and Building Official Matt Cox.

ABSENT: Public Works Director Shawn Wilkinson.

A. CALL CITY COUNCIL TO ORDER

City Council called to order at 7:01 p.m.
Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance given by Mayor Gierisch.

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

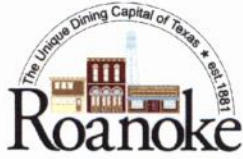
City Manager Scott Campbell wanted to share with Mayor and City Council, how lucky the City is to have the Staff they have. They worked tirelessly through all of the issues brought on by last week's winter storm. Mr. Campbell further stated that he is very blessed to work with such a great staff.

Mayor Gierisch stated that it warmed his heart to see our staff step up and go above and beyond. Mayor Gierisch further stated that he is grateful and proud of the staff's service to the city. Along with local mayors, Mayor Gierisch joined calls with County, State, and Oncor Officials, in an effort to resolve the power outage issues.

Mayor Gierisch stated there are true heroes in our community who stepped up to help one another, "neighbor helping neighbor". Mayor Gierisch further stated that he is proud of this community, as it shows the true spirit of Roanoke, Texas.

C. PUBLIC INPUT

No one wished to speak.



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D. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed below are considered routine and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed and considered separately.

1. Consider approval of the minutes from the regular City Council meeting held on February 9, 2021.
2. Consideration and acceptance of the FY 2020-2021 Quarterly Financial Report for the quarter period ending December 31, 2020.

Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by Angie Grimm to approve Consent Items 1 through 2.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by David Thompson to approve a joint election agreement and contract for election services with Denton County for the May 1, 2021 General and Special Elections.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by David Thompson to approve a joint election agreement and contract for election services with Tarrant County for the May 1, 2021 General Election.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Staff Presentation/Discussion Regarding Hawaiian Falls TABC Mixed Beverage License Request.

City Manager Scott Campbell stated the city had received a request from Hawaiian Falls indicating they would like to sell alcohol at the water park. Mr. Campbell further stated that during the negotiations of their amended contract, they had mentioned they were interested in selling alcohol.

Mr. Campbell stated the city has received feedback from police departments in other cities that currently have water parks, which serve alcohol. There does not appear to be any pattern of issues arising from the sale of alcohol at these water parks.

Mayor Gierisch stated that the land is city owned, however Hawaiian Falls Water Park is privately owned. Mayor Gierisch asked if NRH20 allows the sale alcohol.

Director of Fiscal and Administrative Services Vicki Rodriguez stated that NRH20 is completely owned by the city and the sale of alcohol is not allowed.

Mayor Pro Tem Holly Gray-Moore asked if the city would have to pass a special



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ordinance to allow the sale of alcohol.

Mr. Campbell stated the current ordinance, which states, "no alcohol at city parks", would have to be amended to allow the sale of alcohol specifically at water parks. In addition, they are located across the street from a day care, which would require a variance.

Mr. Campbell asked City Attorney Jeff Moore if this would require a public hearing notice.

City Attorney Jeff Moore stated that it would.

Mayor Pro Tem Gray-Moore stated that she would like to hear what the public safety's thoughts are on this.

Chief of Police Jeriahme Miller stated that he has reached out to multiple large water parks, inquiring about any alcohol related issues the police departments may have experienced, and was informed there have been minimal issues.

Mayor Pro Tem asked Chief Miller if he would be in favor of requiring off duty officers to patrol Hawaiian Falls Water Park.

Chief Miller stated that if it were mandatory, they would have to force off duty officers to work. Chief Miller further stated that he does not think there would be a lot of issues or high call volume to the water park, after conversation with other police departments. Therefore, he does not think there is a need to require off duty officers to patrol the water park.

Mayor Pro Tem Gray-Moore asked if we do not require it now and they start having issues, is there a way to go back and make it mandatory.

Chief Miller stated that if any issues arise, they are diligent about contacting the police department right away. Chief Miller further stated that they have a good rapport with the water park.

Fire Chief Chris Addington stated that in most cases, issues are police department related and not fire department related. Chief Addington further stated that he had spoken with Fire Chief Brown of Grapevine and most of their issues are police department related. Chief Addington added that the Roanoke Fire Department has a great working relationship with Ryan (Ryan Forson) at Hawaiian Falls, and will be conducting cross training with EMT.

Mr. Campbell stated that if City Council were comfortable with this idea, staff would move forward with the process. Mr. Campbell further stated that if needed, Hawaiian Falls could give City Council a presentation.



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City Council convened into Executive Session. (*see item F)

4. Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by David Thompson to approve Ordinance No. 2021-105, establishing a sinking fund for the funding of the City Manager's Seventh Amended Employment Agreement.
Motion carried unanimously.

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will hold a closed Executive Session meeting pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:21 P.M.

Section 551.074

Deliberations regarding the City Manager's annual review.

Section 551.087

To deliberate commercial or financial information the City has received from a business prospect, and to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

The City Council will reconvene into Regular Session, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to take any action necessary regarding:

CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 7:27 P.M.

1. **Sections 551.074 of the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE** Deliberations regarding the City Manager's annual review.

Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by David Thompson to approve the Seventh Amended Employment Agreement for City Manager Scott Campbell.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. **Sections 551.087 of the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE** To deliberate commercial or financial information the City has received from a business prospect, and to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect.

No action taken.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Holly Gray-Moore second by Brian Darby to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.



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April S. Hill, City Secretary



Carl E. "Scooter" Gierisch, Jr., Mayor