#### GRANGER CITY COUNCIL

July 25, 2023, City Hall 7:00 p.m. 102 Main Street

#### **MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jose Trevino called the meeting of July 25, 2023, to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor led everyone in the flag salute.

### **COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT**

Mayor Jose Trevino Juan Ceja, LT

Susie Munoz Frank Tijerina, Interim. Public Works Director

Ryan Stonemetz

Juan Isiordia-Absent

Kimberly Grimm, Clerk-Treasurer
Terry Carter, Fire Chief-Absent

Hilda Gonzalez Israel Bustamante

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Johnny Isiordia – I am recusing myself today as a concerned Granger resident. My name is Juan Isiordia, I live at 1104 Second Ave here in Granger. I want to revisit the meeting we had on June 27th when Mr. Stonemetz came up here and talked about his own personal business having to be in the council then you as a council should know that if you are in the council that takes you away from coming and talking about your own personal gains here to the city. Especially when you have an employee here working for you and the city itself. Councilmember Bustamante - I am not his employee. Johnny - but you did admit to me and please don't speak over me. This is not a question-and-answer section. When I speak you listen and when you speak, I listen that's the way it's done right here. You went over to my chair after that meeting and told me that he was paying you but that he wasn't giving you a check. This is the second time that you have said he is paying you and now you're here at the council saying that you are not getting paid. Someone should be investigating all this issue on what you are doing (Bustamante) and what you are doing (Stonemetz) hiding money for yourself. You also came over to me and told me, now I never asked these things, Mr. Stonemetz you came over to me and told me yourself that you wanted to do a review because you wanted to sale beer. Which is ok but nevertheless your comment to me afterwards I had asked you at \$6 a cup and your comment said, "No at \$9 because Mexican people after their second beer spend all their checks and that's how you hide all your cash." And I am saying this on recording. Yeah, you can laugh but it is true in what you're saying, Mr. Stonemetz you want to hide the cash. And I want the community to know that if you don't pay your taxes here the community is the one that takes up all your debt. All the businesses that come here to the city pay their taxes and this helps our community. This helps everybody pay less. That's why we want business to come here but to do it the right way not to be hiding money for themselves if you are doing that and it is my opinion that you are. So, I ask you to please when you come in here and also to admit that you are working for him, and I hope that the microphones were on because you went over to my chair I didn't go over to yours. And I believe Ms. Guzman cause Susie was there, but I don't know if she heard any of the conversation when you came over when I was sitting down still. Also, at the last meeting itself there was supposed to be a standard of 3 minutes to speak but also mayor pro Tem Ms. Gonzalez did not adequately step in and stop after the 3 minutes. I did stop it at 3 minutes and 34 seconds or something like that for him to continue. Ms. Guzman also let it continue for almost 8 minutes doing a question-and-answer session which is not fair practice because when MS Zarate came here to talk she was given 3 minutes only. This needs to be addressed because if you like somebody you can't let them speak more and more and more. 3 minutes is adequate time to speak. I do believe that the council has good people but there are also people in the council that want to take advantage of the community and have personal gain for themselves and that's something that we need to look at. I just want to say that we have to remember that we are community members we are here as the council so that we are here to serve the community not for our own personal gains. Always keep that in mind. Thank you.

Debbie Klueber – I have three things. I am Debbie Klueber and I live at 602 G Ave. The first thing I want to bring up is Mr. Stonemetz music. As residents we have to listen to that for 5 hours and it's like boom boom. And I live 5 houses down and it was that loud in my house. So, if there is something we can work out with that. The other one is the water bill. From my understanding, on this side of town the water wasn't red. The meter. And so, they went off the following month, but they weren't ready the following month either and the bill came to \$199. So, if it wasn't read why wasn't it just billed to the people as the minimum. I don't know if that's your question or if you can answer it. Mayor Trevino – you have to come in and speak to city hall. Klueber – I did. Mayor – this is a comment section. Questions need to be submitted to city hall Klueber – Okay so I come in and talk to you? Mayor- yes Klueber – okay and the other thing is roosters. Are they allowed in the city limits? Mayor – I believe, don't quote me but I believe they are but there's a limit. But what I will do if you don't mind we have code enforcement here and we can ask him. Do you know mike? Mike – there are no regulations on roosters. Klueber – okay that was my 3<sup>rd</sup> thing thank you. Gonzalez- Debbie I would also recommend if there were any questions on ordinances or anything with the roosters you come into city hall and talk to Mike.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

City Hall

HLA Change Order No. 1

**Tabled until Next Council Meeting** 

**Public Works** 

None

Fire Dept

None.

#### **MINUTES**

It was moved by Councilmember Munoz to approve the minutes of July 11, 2023, with the corrections of who led flag salute and who called the meeting to order. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Bustamante seconded.

**MOTION CARRIED 4-0** 

## **BILLS**

It was moved by Councilmember Stonemetz to pay the bills of July 25, 2023, in the amount of \$110,271.84 Motion was seconded by Councilmember Gonzalez.

**MOTION CARRIED 4-0** 

# Fund Totals 07/25/2023.

C/E	\$ 28,102.77
Parks & Rec	\$
STREETS	\$ 15,224.71
CRIMINIAL JUSTICE	\$
Fed Housing Rehab Grant	\$
Crime Prevention	\$
Festival/Float Fund	\$ 525.00
Bell Memorial Fund	\$ >> >> >> >> >> >> >> >> >> >> >> >> >>
EMS FIRE TRAUMA	\$
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$
WATER	\$ 2,323.28
SEWER	\$ 63,020.66
GARBAGE	\$ 1,075.42
Consumer Deposit Refund	\$
IRRIGATION	\$
Court Bound Fund	\$
TOTAL	\$ 110,271.84

# COUNCIL

# <u>Mayor</u>

# **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Councilmember Gonzalez to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Bustamante.

## **MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Kimberly Grimm, Clerk-Treasurer

Jose Trevino, Mayor