

CITY OF KIRBY, TEXAS

Timothy Wilson, Mayor



Stephanie Faulkner, Mayor Pro-Tem
Mike Grant
Jerry Lehman

Roger A. Romens
Ernest Spradling
Debra Wilson

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
112 BAUMAN, KIRBY, TX 78219

1. Call Meeting to Order:

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

Gary Wilson led the invocation and followed with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

3. Mission Statement:

“The City of Kirby is dedicated to delivering excellent municipal services to our entire community in a fiscally responsible manner.”

4. Roll Call:

Mayor Wilson
Mayor Pro-Tem Faulkner
Council Member Spradling
Council Member Grant
Council Member Lehman
Council Member Wilson
Council Member Romens

The motion carried with a 6 – 1 vote.

AYES – 6

NAYES – 1 (Council Member Romens)

- c. Discussion And Possible Action Pertaining To Ordinance No. O-2015-774 Levying Ad Valorem Taxes For Use And Operation Of The Municipal Government Of The City Of Kirby, Texas For The 2015 Tax Fiscal Year; Providing For Apportioning Each Levy For Specific Purposes; And, Providing When Taxes Shall Become Due And When Same Shall Become Delinquent If Not Paid. This Is The Second Reading.

Council Member Romens asked if Council would consider age sixty-five and over tax relief in the near future.

Mayor Pro-Tem Faulkner moved that that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.729376, which is effectively an 8.16% increase in the tax rate, per Ordinance No. O-2015-774, an ordinance of the City of Kirby, Texas Levying Ad valorem taxes for use and support of the municipal government of the City for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016; providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; and providing when taxes shall become due and when same shall become delinquent if not paid; and providing for an effective date; seconded by Council Member Spradling.

The motion carried with a 6 – 1 vote.

AYES – 6

NAYES – 1 (Council Member Romens)

Mayor Pro-Tem Faulkner moved to approve and adopt the \$0.678616 per \$100 valuation for maintenance and operations (M&O) for the 2015-2016 tax rate supporting the annual budget; seconded by Council Member Spradling.

The motion carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

AYES – 7

NAYES – 0

Mayor Pro-Tem Faulkner moved to approve and adopt the \$0.050760 per \$100 valuation for Interest & Sinking Debt Service for the 2015-2016 tax rate supporting the annual budget; seconded by Council Member Lehman.

The motion carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

AYES – 7

NAYES – 0

- d. Discussion And Possible Action To Reschedule The Regular Council Meeting Dates For November 26, 2015 To November 19, 2015 And December 24, 2015 To December 17, 2015.

Council Member Grant moved to reschedule the regular Council meeting dates for November 26, 2015 to November 19, 2015 and December 24, 2015 to December 17, 2015.

The motion carried with a 7 – 0 vote.

AYES – 7

NAYES – 0

8. Requests and Announcements:

- a. Requests By Mayor And Council Members For Items To Be Placed On Future City Council Agendas And Announcements On City Events/Community Interests

Council Member Spradling - Informed Council he will be out of town on November 19, 2015, and unable to attend the Council meeting. National Night Out will be October 6 and he will be attending the ESD 11 event and asked if a couple of the council members could also visit their event.

Council Member Grant – Requested two items for the next Council agenda: garage sale signs and revisit the qualifications for the pool manager.

Mayor Pro-Tem Faulkner – Animal Care Services will conduct a Trunk or Treat Halloween event, 3 PM – 6 PM and Council is invited to host a table.

Council Member Romens – Expressed appreciation for the nice landscape at city hall. Asked council members to let him know if they have any questions or concerns they want addressed by the Planning and Zoning Commission at their next meeting. Council Member Grant asked him to mention no more steel buildings. Council Member Spradling asked that Council be provided the agendas for other meetings.

Council Member Grant – Stated there was an ordinance published in the San Antonio Express News regarding vacant buildings and asked everyone to read it.

Mayor Wilson – Thanked Mr. Steve Linscomb, Judson I.S.D., for attending the meeting and asked him if he had anything to share, possibly about the naming of the new school. Mr. Steve Linscomb addressed Council and said the Judson ISD Board followed their guidelines when selecting the name for the new school.

Mayor Wilson – Requested an update on code violations. Asked that the new fire truck be available to view at the next meeting. Reminded Council there is a vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission and asked Council to submit names at the next meeting. The Herald Newspaper has not been delivered for a while and Council will address this at a future meeting.

9. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Timothy Wilson
Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty Cox, TRMC
City Secretary