



Lisa B. Pierce, Mayor

Sylvia Apodaca
Mike Grant
Jerry Lehman

Kimberly McGehee-Aldrich
John W. Pierce
Debra Wilson

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
112 BAUMAN, KIRBY, TX 78219**

1. Call Meeting to Order

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

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor Pierce led the invocation and 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

PRESENT

ABSENT

Mayor Pierce
Mayor Pro-Tem Lehman
Council Member Wilson
Council Member Pierce
Council Member Grant
Council Member Aldrich
Council Member Apodaca

5. Citizen Participation

1. Rothie Hackstadt – He said there is speeding on Binz Engleman. He demanded speed bumps be placed between Buzz Aldrin and the Senior Center.

2. Roger Romens – He provided information to the community regarding the Food Bank commodities. The Senior Center has been chosen as a distribution site separate from their regular deliveries. On May 31st they will be receiving approximately eleven pallets of commodities to distribute between 1:00 P.M. and 3:00 P.M. to be distributed to anyone in the community.

3. Debra McMillan – She questioned the total number of votes for the May 5, 2018 bond election. She asked Council to provide a valid explanation on the discrepancy.

4. Raul Martinez – He was wondering why the meeting between property owner and Republic Waste to view their site was not placed on agenda. He expressed a solution was needed. The service on Kirby Heights needs to be resolved.

5. Linda Grant – She said she will speak when the animal control item is addressed.

6. Consideration Of And Action On Minutes

a. Regular Meeting Minutes – May 10, 2018

Council Member Lehman moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for May 10, 2018; seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion carried with a 6-0-1 vote.

AYES – 6

NAYES- 0

ABSTAIN – 1

(Council Member Grant)

7. Consent Agenda

a. Approval Of Quarterly Financial Report For Period Ending March 31, 2018

b. Approval Of Quarterly Investment Report For Period Ending March 31, 2018

Council Member Wilson moved to accept the Consent Agenda; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich. With all voting, “aye” the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

8. Presentation

- a. Presentation And Discussion About Solar Lighting Along The Timothy J. Wilson Hike And Bike Trail

A representative from CPS Energy provided information regarding lighting at the Timothy J. Wilson Hike and Bike Trail. They have all-night security lights that can be installed with a limit of five lights per mile distance per property. There is a monthly fee with a three year contract. The feed can be overhead or underground and currently, there is not any solar lighting available for trails that meet their standards.

9. Discussion And Possible Action

- a. Discussion And Possible Action On Ordinance No. O-2018-838 Repealing And Replacing Ordinance No. O-2014-749 Authorizing The Use Of Parks And Recreation Areas Owned And Controlled By The City Of Kirby; Regulating Possession And Consumption Of Alcoholic Beverages In Such Parks; Stating The Policies And Regulations Governing The Use Of Such Park, Establishing A Curfew For Park Usage; And Providing A Penalty For Violation Of This Ordinance. This Is The Second Reading.

Council Member Grant moved to accept Ordinance No. O-2018-838 repealing and replacing Ordinance No. O-2014-749 authorizing the use of parks and recreation areas owned and controlled by the City of Kirby; regulating possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in such parks; stating the policies and regulations governing the use of such park, establishing a curfew for park usage; and providing a penalty for violation of this ordinance; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich. With all voting, "aye" the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

- b. Discussion And Possible Action On Ordinance No. O-2018-839 Amending The 2017-2018 Municipal Budget Of The City Of Kirby. This Is The Second Reading.

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich moved to accept Ordinance No. O-2018-839 amending the 2017-2018 Municipal Budget of the City of Kirby; seconded by Council Member Wilson. With all voting, "aye" the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

- c. Update, Discussion And Possible Action On Library Initiative

Dona J. Dryja provided an update on the Library Initiative. The VFW is allowing them use of their facility for their meetings and Chief Bois and Chief Alfaro have built their library boxes for the books. She asked City Council to approve the location of the two library boxes donated by the Police Department and Fire Department. She also asked permission to place a library box at the Senior Center. She asked for the requirements for residents to be able to place library boxes on their property. Emily Jellick, Troop Leader of Girl Scout Troop 300 has provided her with library registrations and plaques for each box.

d. Update, Discussion And Possible Action on 2018 Kirby Pool Season

City Manager Vernon stated there was not a San Antonio Pool Management representative present to speak; therefore, she provided an update on the pool hours and other changes. The pool will be open on Saturday May 26 from noon – 6 P.M., Sunday 1 P.M. – 7 P.M., and on Memorial Day noon – 6:00 P.M. The pool will be closed on Tuesday. The regular pool season schedule is as follows: Closed on Monday and late night swim on Wednesday when the pool will close at 8:00 P.M. Concessions and toiletries were purchased and stocked. The entry fee is as follows: \$2 per person regardless if you are swimming or not and there will not be any pool passes. San Antonio Pool Management hired the pool manager and lifeguards. In order to rent the pool or John Sterling you will go to the San Antonio Pool Management website to secure your reservation.

Mayor Pierce said she is concerned calls are not being returned by the San Antonio Pool Management staff.

e. Update, Discussion And Possible Action Regarding Republic Services Broken Carts And Recycling Services

Tom Armstrong, Republic Services, provided an update on the steps that they are taking to improve their service by repairing or replacing broken carts in a timely manner. He will provide information to be placed on the City's website.

Mayor Pierce inquired about whether or not glass is being recycled.

Mr. Armstrong offered information regarding recycling glass and why it is not offered to all communities. He said recycling could be offered, but the City will be charged an additional fee for the processing.

Council Member Wilson asked if commercial properties will be allowed to participate in the recycling program.

Mr. Armstrong said if there is a demand for commercial recycling they will consider it. The current contract does not address commercial recycling and that could be negotiated.

f. Update, Discussion And Possible Action On Kirby Bexar Animal Facility Operations

Linda Grant – She said that whenever she calls the Kirby Bexar Animal Facility nobody answers the phone and voiced other problems she has experienced with the facility.

City Manager Vernon provided an update on current operations and staffing.

Council Member Grant said he is the liaison between the Kirby Animal Care Facility and Kirby Bexar Animal Facility. He voiced his concerns with the adoption process and other concerns. Marc Schnall, city attorney, said he will review the contract between the two facilities.

Mayor Pierce said she also has concerns about operations. She asked that there be a meeting between the two facilities and include Chief Bois and Council Member Grant.

City Manager Vernon said the contract states it will be reviewed annually. She will contact Bexar County to set up a meeting.

g. Discussion And Possible Action On Ordinance No. O-2018-841 Repealing Ordinance No. O-2013-737 Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement For Ambulance (EMS) Billing And Related Professional Services With K&P Associates, Inc. DBA Specialized Billing And Collection Systems Of Texas. This Is The First Reading.

Mayor Pierce asked that this item be tabled to June 14, 2018 to allow Marc Schnall, city attorney, time to review the proposed ordinance.

Council Member Grant moved to table this item to June 14, 2018 to allow Marc Schnall, city attorney, time to review the proposed ordinance; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich. With all voting, “aye” the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

h. Discussion And Possible Action On Softball Association Park Agreement Renewal

City Manager Vernon asked that this item be tabled because the representative is unable to attend tonight’s meeting due a conflict with his schedule.

Council Member Grant moved to table this item to the June 14, 2018 Council meeting; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich. With all voting, “aye” the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

i. Discussion And Possible Action On Resolution No. R-2018-702 Authorizing The Police Chief To Apply For A Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant

Chief Bois said the agreement would fund another police officer for the department. The officer will have specific duties identified by the grant. The grant needs to be submitted next Wednesday and asked City Council to consider giving him authorization to submit the application.

Council Member Grant moved to accept Resolution No. R-2018-702 authorizing the Police Chief to apply for a Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich. With all voting, "aye" the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

j. Discussion And Possible Action On The 66th Annual Fireman's Picnic Parade Expenses

Mayor Pierce stated that this item was requested by Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich.

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich said she requested this item because there have been questions about the expense paid for police officers used at the parade. She explained that they are not volunteers and she felt the fee should be absorbed by the City and not the fire department. The cost is \$560 for the officers that helped with the parade. She said many citizens asked that the parade be brought back because it was missed last year.

The Council discussed the history of security for the Fireman's Picnic Parade expense and budget items. Mayor Pierce asked that the conversations about the 25% that the Fire Department pays back to the City be discussed at the September 2018 meeting to discuss the upcoming Picnic in 2019.

Council Member Pierce moved to pay the \$560 for the four contract officers for the Parade; seconded by Council Member Grant. With all voting, "aye" the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

k. Discussion And Possible Action To Appoint A Member To The Economic Development Committee

City Manager Vernon said there is one vacancy on the Economic Development Committee.

Council Member Lehman said the applicant, Diego McClain-Lopez has been attending the Economic Development Committee meetings and he's building businesses on Binz Engleman.

Council Member Lehman moved to appoint Diego McClain-Lopez to the Economic Development Committee; seconded by Council Member Wilson. With all voting, "aye" the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

- I. Discussion And Possible Action On Resolution No. R-2018-703 Authorizing Adoption Of The Community Development Block Grant Agreement With The County Of Bexar State Of Texas For U.S. Department Of Housing And Urban Development Community Development Block (CDBG) & Home Grants Funding.

City Manager Vernon said at the last meeting Council approved the agreement to continue applying for CDBG funds. When the agreement was submitted, the County said a resolution needed to accompany the agreement.

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich moved to approve Resolution No. R-2018-703 authorizing adoption of the Community Development Block Grant agreement with the County of Bexar State of Texas for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block (CDBG) & Home Grants Funding; seconded by Council Member Grant. With all voting, "aye" the motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

AYES: 7

NAYES: 0

10. Executive Session

- a. Executive Session Pursuant To The Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, For Deliberation On Review, Evaluation, Duties, Discipline Or Dismissal Of City Manager

Mayor Pierce closed the regular meeting and convened into executive session at 8:57 P.M.

11. Reconvene To Open Session

- a. Discussion And Possible Action On Review And Evaluation Of City Manager

Mayor Pierce said the executive session closed at 10:55 P.M. The City Council reconvened into regular session at 10:55 P.M. She said there was no action taken.

12. 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 Apodaca – She asked for an update at a future meeting addressing drainage on Binz Engleman Road at Springfield Road.

Council Member Wilson – She thanked public works for the work they did picking up items recently. She thanked code compliance for all the work she did with the dumping situation last week. She said people are running the stop sign on Binz Engleman Road and Alan Shepard in the area where the road construction is taking place. She had complaints about damage on football field at the Fireman’s Picnic. Mayor Pierce said it was taken care of. Council Member Wilson said the contractors are damaging at least three streets and would like for them to find a better route when driving from Binz Engleman to Gaiety Lane.

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich – She informed Chief Bois that FM 78 is becoming a race track with the drivers who are speeding. She asked City Manager Vernon to bring a resolution to the discrepancy on bond election report at the June 14, 2018 meeting.

Council Member Lehman – He said the Economic Development Committee will have an item on the next agenda about the welcome sign.

Council Member Pierce – He wished everyone a good night.

Mayor Pierce – She sent condolences to the Keene family, Knolty family and Brinkley family in the sudden loss of their family members. On the June 14 agenda she asked to place Republic Services to discuss Kirby Heights and invite Mr. Martinez, Tom Armstrong or Terry Gawlik to attend the meeting. Also, include an update on garbage carts on the agenda. Regarding working on Friendship Park and Hugo Lentz Park she asked that the efforts continue on these two parks because on July 4th there will be fireworks in Park. Also Dona is looking for book donations, the VFW is hosting a community garage sale Saturday from 9:00 A.M. -3:00 P.M.; on May 31st 1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. the Senior Center will have their commodities available for anyone; on Friday, May 25 Hopkins Elementary will have their 50th Anniversary ceremony at 8:30 A.M.; and on June 1 - Saturday the fire station will have their dedication of the Fire Station to former Chief Riedel at 5:30 P.M.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:16 P.M.

Lisa B. Pierce
Mayor

Patty Cox, TRMC
City Secretary