



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 9, 2019 – 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 community in a fiscally responsible manner.”

4. Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Pierce
Council Member Lehman
Council Member Pierce
Council Member Grant
Council Member Wilson
Council Member Apodaca

ABSENT

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich

Although Mayor Pierce deviated from the agenda, the minutes will be prepared in the order the agenda was posted.

5. Citizen Participation

1. Mr. Michael Martin – He addressed concerns with crossbow and drug activities on the street where he resides.

6. Consideration Of And Action On Minutes

a. Regular Meeting April 25, 2019

Council Member Lehman moved to accept the minutes for April 25, 2019; seconded by Council Member Grant. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

AYES: 4

NAYES: 0

ABSTAIN: Council Members
Wilson and Apodaca

7. Presentation

a. Introductions Of New Employees

City Manager Vernon introduced Melanie Reyna our new utility/permit clerk. She began her employment with the City mid-April. Chief Bois introduced Missy Guron and Tony Ortiz who began their employment with the City a couple of weeks ago.

b. Employee Of The Quarter

Chief Bois introduced Ashley St. Denis, Animal Control Officer, Employee of the Quarter.

c. Announce Winner Of The 2019 Summer Body Challenge

City Manager Vernon announced Andy Carrillo, Fire Department, as the winner of the 2019 Summer Body Challenge and presented him with a trophy and the cash pool. This was a way to encourage healthier eating habits, exercising, and making healthier choices.

d. Proclamation Recognizing National Emergency Medical Services Week

Mayor Pierce read the proclamation to be presented to Assistant Chief Hilburn and the members of the Fire Department.

8. Presentation, Discussion And Possible Action

- a. Discussion And Consideration Of Report On The General/Special Election Returns And Declaring The Results Of The General/Special Election Held May 4, 2019, For The Purpose Of Electing A Mayor And Three Council Members For A Two Year Term; For Voting In A Special Election For The Purpose Of Reauthorization Of The Local Sales And Use Tax In The City Of Kirby, Texas At The Rate Of One-Fourth Of One Percent To Continue To Provide Revenue For Maintenance And Repair Of Municipal Streets.

Jo Harvey, Election Judge, provided the results of the General/Special election held May 4, 2019. The candidates ran unopposed: MAYOR - Lisa B. Pierce and COUNCIL MEMBERS: Mike Grant, Kimberly McGehee-Aldrich, and Debra Wilson. The votes for Proposition A were: FOR - 131 AGAINST – 35.

Council Member Grant moved to accept the results of the General/Special election held May 4, 2019; seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

- b. Discussion And Possible Action On Resolution No. R-2019-710 Canvassing The Returns And Declaring The Results Of The General/Special Election To Elect A Mayor And Three Council Members For A Two Year Term; For Voting In A Special Election For The Purpose Of Reauthorization Of The Local Sales And Use Tax In The City Of Kirby, Texas At The Rate Of One-Fourth Of One Percent To Continue To Provide Revenue For Maintenance And Repair Of Municipal Streets.

Council Member Wilson moved to accept Resolution No. R-2019-710 Canvassing The Returns And Declaring The Results Of The General/Special Election To Elect A Mayor And Three Council Members For A Two Year Term; For Voting In A Special Election For The Purpose Of Reauthorization Of The Local Sales And Use Tax In The City Of Kirby, Texas At The Rate Of One-Fourth Of One Percent To Continue To Provide Revenue For Maintenance And Repair Of Municipal Streets; seconded by Council Member Lehman. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

- c. Presentation Of Certificates Of Election To Newly Elected Officials

City Secretary Cox presented the Certificates of Election to the newly elected officials.

- d. Administration of Oath Of Office To Newly Elected Officials

City Secretary Cox administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected officials.

- e. Discussion And Possible Action To Elect A Mayor Pro-Tem For The Term May 2019 - May 2020.

Council Member Grant nominated Sylvia Apodaca as Mayor Pro-Tem; seconded by Council Member Lehman for the term May 2019 – May 2020. Council Member Apodaca accepted the nomination. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

- f. Update, Discussion And Possible Action On Binz Engleman Road Reconstruction Project

Mr. Gilbert Salas, Director of Public Works, provided an update on the Binz Engleman Road Reconstruction project.

- g. Discussion And Possible Action On Appointing A Regular Member(s) And An Alternate Member(s) To The Building And Standards Commission Discussion And Possible Action On Appointing A Member(s) To The Beautification And Recycle Committee

There were not any applications.

- h. Discussion And Possible Action On Appointing A Member(s) To the Kirby Senior Center Corporation Board

There were not any applications.

- i. Discussion And Possible Action On Removing Diego McClain-Lopez From The Economic Development Committee

Mayor Pierce stated that Diego McClain-Lopez has been absent three consecutive meetings and the Economic Development Committee By-Laws call for removal in this case.

Council Member Grant moved to remove Diego McClain-Lopez from the Economic Development Committee; seconded by Council Member Pierce. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

- j. Discussion And Possible Action To Appoint A Member(s) To The Economic Development Committee

Robert Boyd, applicant, was present to answer questions.

Mayor Pierce asked Ms. Jackie Jackson, Chairperson of Economic Development Committee (EDC), if she wants the applicant to meet with the EDC first, before City Council considers the applicant for a position on the EDC.

Ms. Jackson stated she was in favor of the City Council moving forward with their consideration of the applicant.

Council Member Pierce moved to appoint Robert Boyd to the unexpired term of Diego McClain- Lopez; seconded by Council Member Grant. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

k. Discussion And Possible Action On San Antonio Living History Texas Revolt Event

Mr. Hilario de la Pena presented a video for the audience and City Council highlighting life in the 1830's simulating recreations of historical battles. Mr. de la Pena provided the history of this event. The event is free to the public and has educational based presentations aligned to State standards. He identified partnership needs: financial support, increased advertisement and connections with nearby schools. He requested permission to approach local businesses for support. The event will be on the first Saturday in November on November 1 & 2, 2019.

Council Member Grant moved to allow San Antonio Living History Texas Revolt on November 1 & 2, 2019 at Friendship Park; seconded by Council Member Pierce. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

m. Discussion And Possible Action On Private Development Projects On Springfield Road

Gilbert Salas, Director of Public Works, provided an update on the construction along Springfield Road.

Council discussed the dumping of dirt on the property located on the corner of Binz Engleman and Springfield Road where the trucks are located. Council asked for an update on this property be placed on an agenda in June.

n. Discussion And Possible Action On Proposals From M&S Engineering To Provide Engineering Services Related To The May 2018 Street Bond Projects

City Manager Vernon provided the history on the May 2018 street bond that the voters approved in the amount of \$6,845,000. The funds were deposited into our TexPool account and as of March 31, 2019 with the interest that has accrued the amount is \$6,933,916.75. These funds will pay for engineering services and construction of the bond project.

Ms. Vernon stated our new city engineer, M&S Engineering, has recommended breaking this project into two different contracts to get more work done faster.

The first proposal is total street reconstruction: \$6,420,000.

This will provide engineering services related to the design, bidding and reconstruction of the following streets:

- Ackerman Road from Binz Engleman Road to Old Seguin Road
- Gibbs Sprawl Road from Old Seguin Road to FM 78
- Hedwig Street from Ackerman Road to Bauman Street
- Bauman Street from Hedwig Street to Old Seguin Road
- Peppermint Lane from Ackerman Road to Gaiety Lane
- Sparkling Lane from Ackerman Road to Gaiety Lane
- Taube Road from Ackerman Road to Hickory Hill Drive

Because this is a bond funded project, we do have the option of doing competitive bids.

The second proposal is for mill & overlay: \$305,000

This will provide for engineering services related to the design, bidding and construction for a mill and overlay of the following streets.

- Cinderella Street from Ackerman Road to Gaiety Lane
- Kirby Heights Street from Ackerman Road to end of street
- Pfeil from Ackerman Road to Hoeneke Drive
- Harris Road from Ackerman Road to Hickory Hill Drive

Council Member Pierce moved to accept the proposal from M&S Engineering for the 2018 Street Reconstruction Bond Project in the amount of \$6,420,000 and accept the proposal from M&S Engineering for the 2018 Street Mill and Overlay Bond Project in the amount of \$305,000; seconded by Council Member Grant. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

9. **Request 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 Grant – He said there is prime land in Kirby that could be identified on our website. He asked if this could be placed on an agenda in June. He thanked the Fire Department for helping his wife when she fell. They were extremely professional. He thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Council Member Wilson – She thanked everyone for their prayers for her family after the death in her family. She asked that the Parks and Recreation be brought back. For the next budget, consider buying cameras for the park. She asked when the “No Parking” signs will be installed on Charles Conrad. Mr. Salas said he will take care of it. She recognized how hard the Code Compliance Officer Thompson has been working.

MPT Apodaca – She said she has also noticed how busy Officer Thompson has been. The event at Friendship Park this past weekend was awesome.

Mayor Pierce – She thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She said she is honored to serve another two years and encouraged people to get involved in the City. She will continue promoting the City and asked that positive statements about the City be said. We have one of the best Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Services, Police Department, and Public Works Department. She reminded everyone there are three locations for the Little Free Libraries. There is one at the pool, Fire Department and Police Department. This is a free program and you can take a book and donate/replace a book. Continue looking at primitive camping in Friendship Park. If you know an Eagle Scout with a project contact the City. Our staff at the Kirby Animal Services facility is amazing.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

Lisa B. Pierce
Mayor

Patty Cox, TRMC
City Secretary