



Lisa B. Pierce, Mayor

Sylvia Apodaca
Mike Grant
Jerry Lehman

Kimberly McGehee-Aldrich
John W. Pierce
Joe Salazar

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 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
Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich
Council Member Lehman
Council Member Apodaca
Council Member Salazar

ABSENT

Council Member Pierce
Council Member Grant

5. Citizen Participation

1. B.J. Voigt – She voiced her concerns about unacceptable response times for staff returning phone calls or replying to emails. She provided background information regarding a leak on her property.

6. Consideration Of And Action On Minutes

a. Public Hearing/Regular Meeting December 12, 2019

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich moved to approve the December 12, 2019 Public Hearing/Regular Minutes; seconded by Council Member Apodaca. The motion carried with a 4-0-1 vote.

AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 (Council Member Lehman)

7. Consent Agenda

a. Approval Of Quarterly Investment Report For Period Ending September 30, 2019

Council Member Apodaca moved to approve the Quarterly Investment Report for period ending September 30, 2019; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

8. Presentations

a. 2019 Holiday Decorating Contest Winners

Barbara Herb, Chairperson - Beautification and Recycle Committee, presented information about the contest and announced the winners. Best Residential – 4834 Cinderella; Runner Up – 3715 Diadem; Best Using Recycled Materials – 2915 Alan Shepard.

Mayor Pierce presented certificates to the winners who were present.

9. Public Hearing

a. On A Request For A Variance To The Zoning Ordinance – Single Family Dwelling District (R-1), Section 153.053 To Consider Permitting Encroachment Into The

Fifteen (15') Foot Front Yard Setback For The Construction Of A Carport Located At CB 4018B, BLK 6 LOT 65, Otherwise Known As 5007 Thomas Paine, Kirby, TX 78219.

Mayor Pierce closed the regular meeting and opened the public hearing at 7:13 P.M.

There were not any proponents or opponents in attendance to speak.

Mayor Pierce closed the public hearing at 7:13 P.M. and opened the regular meeting.

10. Discussion And Possible Actions

- a. Discussion And Possible Action On A Request For A Variance To The Zoning Ordinance – Single Family Dwelling District (R-1), Section 153.053 To Consider Permitting Encroachment Into The Fifteen (15') Foot Front Yard Setback For The Construction Of A Carport Located At CB 4018B, BLK 6 LOT 65, Otherwise Known As 5007 Thomas Paine, Kirby, TX 78219.

Mr. Xavier DeLeon, applicant, informed Council that a carport was important to protect his four vehicles.

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich moved to accept the variance to the Zoning Ordinance – Single Family Dwelling District (R-1), Section 153.053 to consider permitting encroachment into the fifteen (15') foot front yard setback for the construction of a carport located At CB 4018B, BLK 6 LOT 65, otherwise known as 5007 Thomas Paine, Kirby, TX 78219; seconded by Council Member Apodaca. The motion failed with a 3-2 vote.

AYES: 3

NAYES: 2

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

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

- c. Update, Discussion And Possible Action On Hickory Hill Drive Reconstruction Project

Mr. Salas, Director of Public Works, provided an update on the Hickory Hill Drive reconstruction project. The project is complete and waiting for the final punch list to conduct final walk through.

d. Discussion And Possible Action On Appointing A Member To The Beautification And Recycle Committee

Mayor Pierce stated she has not received any applications.

e. Discussion And Possible Action On Appointing Alternate Members To The Building And Standards Commission

Mayor Pierce stated she has not received any applications.

f. Discussion And Possible Action On Appointing Members To The Kirby Senior Center Corporation Board

Mayor Pierce stated on her way into the meeting Norma Hamby, Senior Center Manager, handed her an application from Michael Martin.

Council Member Apodaca moved to appoint Michael Martin to the Kirby Senior Center Corporation Board; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

AYES: 5

NAYES: 0

g. Discussion And Possible Action On Appointing One Member To A Charter Review Commission

Mayor Pierce stated there is an application in the packet from Jacqueline Jackson.

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich moved to appoint Jacqueline Jackson to the Charter Review Commission; seconded by Council Member Lehman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

AYES: 5

NAYES: 0

h. Discussion And Possible Action On The City Of Kirby Employee Pay Scale

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich moved to postpone this item; seconded by Council Member Salazar. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

AYES: 5

NAYES: 0

i. Discussion And Possible Action On Potential Future City Of Kirby Boundary Expansion

Marc Schnall, City Attorney, presented the history on boundary expansion.

Council Member Lehman requested a workshop to discuss expanding the City's boundary.

j. Discussion And Possible Action On Council Member Mike Grant's Resignation From The Kirby Senior Center Corporation Board

Council Member Lehman moved to accept Council Member Mike Grant's resignation from the Kirby Senior Center Corporation Board; seconded by Council Member Apodaca. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

AYES: 5

NAYES: 0

11. 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 Apodaca – She said she has researched volunteer applications and asked that this item be placed on the next agenda.

Council Member Lehman – He said he hoped everyone had a Merry Christmas and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich - She thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She noticed while riding in the Santa Parade that there were a lot of citizens who decorated their homes. She thanked everyone who entered the decorating contest. She asked City Manager Vernon if Kirby has a response time for water leaks. City Manager Vernon said yes. Residents can call city hall Monday through Friday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. and after hours call dispatch. Mayor Pro-Tem Aldrich wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Council Member Salazar – He wished everyone a Happy New Year, also don't drink and drive.

Mayor Pierce – She thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She thanked the employees and volunteers for everything they do for the City. She commended Veronica Herrera and her efforts to organize an event to bring awareness to suicide prevention. She thanked Kirby Police Department for their Cookies with Santa event. She thanked the Fire Department for the annual parade. She wished everyone a Happy New Year and be safe.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 P.M.

Lisa B. Pierce
Mayor

Patty Cox, TRMC
City Secretary