



Kimberly McGehee Aldrich, Mayor

Sylvia Apodaca
Mike Grant
Mike Martin

Joe Salazar
Janeshia Grider
Susan E. Street

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
112 BAUMAN, KIRBY, TX 78219**

This meeting will also be held by videoconference call. The location where a quorum of the governmental body will be physically present is City Hall, City Council Chambers at 112 Bauman Street, Kirby, Texas 78219 and it is the intent to have a quorum present at that location and for the member of the governmental body presiding over the meeting to be physically present at that location. A member of the public may testify from a remote location by videoconference at:

1. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Aldrich called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor Aldrich 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 Aldrich
Mayor Pro-Tem Grant
Council Member Salazar
Council Member Martin
Council Member Grider
Council Member Street

ABSENT

Council Member Apodaca

5. Citizen Participation

1. Chris Garza – He spoke about accountability among City Council and staff. He said he is concerned about agendas and minutes. Rules are needed to be followed. He stated eligibility to run for Council are through the State and City Charter and allow him to run for Council.

2. Roger Romens – He said minutes are to provide accurate accounts of what occurred at the meeting. The minutes presented are not accurate. He identified items that were omitted.

3. Jack Miller – He spoke about disorderly conduct. He asked Council to follow the rules and do the right thing.

6. Consideration Of And Action On Minutes

a. Regular Minutes – December 16, 2021

There was no motion.

b. Regular Minutes – January 13, 2022

Council Member Street stated there are items missing. The minutes must reflect what occurred during the meeting.

There was no motion.

7. Presentation

a. Police Badge Pinning Ceremony

Chief Cardona recognized Reginald Sullivan and shared the history on his career. Chief Cardon pinned his new badge and officiated the Oath of Office.

8. Consent Agenda

a. Approval Of Quarterly Investment Report For Period Ending September 30, 2021

City Manager Vernon explained why this item is being placed back on agenda.

Council Member Martin moved to approve the Quarterly Investment Report for period ending September 30, 2021; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant. The motion carried with 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

9. General Discussion And Possible Action

a. Update, Discussion And Possible Action On City Council Candidate Filing Application Addendum

City Manager Vernon stated this item failed at the last meeting. This item has been placed on the agenda to discuss whether to place on another agenda.

City Council discussed this item.

Jack Miller spoke about this item.

Chris Garza spoke about this item.

Mayor Pro-Tem Grant moved to bring this item back for the next agenda; seconded by Council Member Salazar. The motion failed with a 3-3 vote.

AYES: 3 NAYES: 3 (Council Members Grider, Street Martin)

City Manager Vernon stated the addendum will be removed from the City Council Candidate packet.

b. Discussion And Possible Action On Ordinance No. O-2021-906 An Ordinance Repealing Section 30.10 Of The Code Of Ordinances And Adopting A New Section 30.10 Of The Code Of Ordinances On Citizen Participation At Meetings To Revise Certain Matters And To Add A Provision Concerning The Location Of Cameras For Recording Of Meetings. This Is The First Reading.

After discussing this item it was determined there were inconsistencies.

Mayor Pro-Tem Grant moved to postpone this item; seconded by Council Member Martin. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

- c. Update And Discussion On City of Kirby Animal Ordinance And New State Law Relating To Unlawful Restraint Of A Dog

Chief Cardona provided an overview of the Animal Control Officers responsibilities.

Mike Carillo, Animal Services Manager, provided a power point presentation regarding rabies, dangerous animals, wildlife, common diseases, unlawful restraint and other topics.

There was a discussion addressing hens and chickens.

Chris Garza spoke about the ordinance and addressing chickens, foul, and livestock.

- d. Discussion And Possible Action On Appointment Of Members To The Animal Advisory Committee

City Manager Vernon explained that the Kirby Advisory Committee shall consist of four members appointed by the City Council. The members of this Committee shall include a licensed veterinarian, a municipal official, a shelter employee and one member of an animal welfare organization. She asked that Mike Carillo, Animal Services Manager, be appointed to the Animal Advisory Committee.

Mayor Pro-Tem Grant moved to appoint Mike Carrillo to the Animal Advisory Committee; seconded by Council Member Grider. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

- e. Update, Discussion And Possible Action On Kirby Community Garden

Mayor Pro-Tem Grant said he requested this item.

Christine Linares was present and informed Council she is the contact for the Community Garden.

There was discussion about possibly creating a committee to oversee the Community Garden, farmers market to share produce, no City involvement, continue as has been operating.

Mayor Aldrich said keep the Community Garden the way it has been managed. There is no need for the City to get involved.

f. Discussion And Possible Action On Establishing An Investment Advisory Committee For The City Of Kirby

City Manager Vernon said this will be a temporary committee, approximately three months. The suggested members are: City Manager as Chair; Finance Director, two Council members and one Economic Development Committee member.

Council Member Martin moved to establish a temporary Investment Advisory Committee; seconded by Council Member Street. The motion carried 6-0.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

g. Discussion And Possible Action To Pay For Council Member Susan Street To Attend A Grant Writing Workshop

City Secretary read an email from Stephanie Faulkner addressing grant writing.

Council Member Street said she volunteered to write grants and the workshop would help her learn how to write grants.

The Council discussed the pros and cons on this item.

Council Member Grider moved to postpone this item to the next meeting; seconded by Council Member Salazar. The motion carried with a 4-1-1 vote.

AYES: 4

NAYES: 1 (Mayor Aldrich)

ABSTAIN – 1 (Council Member Street)

h. Discussion And Possible Action On A Resolution Designating And Re-appointing A Health Authority For The City Of Kirby And Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Certificate Of Appointment

City Manager Vernon explained the history of this item. Dr. Chichi Junda Woo was appointed two years ago and her appointment will be up for re-appointment this year.

Mayor Pro-Tem Grant moved to accept this Resolution designating and re-appointing Dr. Chichi Junda Woo as health authority for the City of Kirby and authorizing the Mayor to sign a Certificate of Appointment; seconded by Council Member Salazar. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

i. Discussion And Possible Action on SWAT Agreement Renewal

Council discussed SWAT agreement renewal.

Council Member Salazar moved to renew the SWAT Agreement; seconded by Council Member Grider. The motion carried with 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

j. Discussion And Possible Action On Resolution No. R-2022-740 Adopting The City Of Kirby Investment Policy

City Council discuss the investment policy.

Council Member Grider moved to accept the City of Kirby Investment Policy; seconded by Council Member Street. The motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

AYES: 6

NAYES: 0

k. City Council Liaison Reports

1. Animal Advisory Committee – Mayor Pro-Tem Grant
2. Beautification And Recycle Committee – Council Member Grider
3. Building And Standards Commission – Council Member Martin
4. Crime Control And Prevention District – Council Member Salazar
5. Economic Development Committee Council Member Apodaca
6. Planning And Zoning Commission – Mayor Aldrich
7. Senior Center Corporation Board – Council Member Street

1. Animal Advisory Committee – Mayor Pro-Tem Grant

Mayor Pro-Tem Grant provided an update.

2. Beautification And Recycle Committee – Council Member Grider

Council Member Grider provided an update.

3. Building And Standards Commission – Council Member Martin

Council Member Martin said there was nothing to report.

4. Crime Control And Prevention District – Council Member Salazar

Council Member Salazar said there was nothing to report.

5. Economic Development Committee Council Member Apodaca

Council Member Apodaca was not available to provide an update.

6. Planning And Zoning Commission – Mayor Aldrich

Mayor Aldrich said there was nothing to report.

7. Senior Center Corporation Board – Council Member Street

Council Member Street provided an update.

10. City Manager Announcements

a. Announcements On City Events And Items Of Community Interest.

City Manager Vernon announced the Easter Egg Hunt, April 17, 2022. Volunteers are needed to fill the eggs, hide the eggs and candy donations are needed, there are plenty of eggs. Email City Manager Vernon if you would like to help.

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 Interest

Council Member Street – She asked if Committees are being provided printed packets. City Manager Vernon said they will receive a printed copy if they request one. She thanked the employees and expressed they are appreciated.

Council Member Grider – Mr. Romens gave her a tour of the entire pack and some cleaning needed. Contract Ms. Grider if interested in helping. On February 2 & 16 Travel the Trail at Hugo Lentz at 5:30 P.M. Remember those who were killed during the Intentional Holocaust.

Mayor Pro-Tem Grant - He asked if the City has a wood chipper. Mr. Ives said the City has a wood chipper.

Council Member Salazar – He thanked Mr. Carillo for everything he does.

Council Member Martin – He inquired about the bus stop on Charles Conrad. He asked that this be placed on the next agenda. The appreciation lunch will be rescheduled. The San Antonio Live Stock Show and Rodeo BBQ cook-off will be this weekend. He said to continue fixing the streets. He thanked all employees.

Mayor Aldrich – She said it will be cold this weekend – bring your pets in and feed them. There will be a workshop this Saturday at 10:00 A.M. She reminded Council members to not send an email to entire Council. This creates a walking quorum when members reply. She addressed Council Member Street about posting to social media.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Kimberly Aldrich, Mayor

ATTEST

Patty Cox, City Secretary, TRMC