

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
CITY OF KARNES CITY
FEBRUARY 23, 2016**

**STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF KARNES)
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On this 23th day of **February 2016**, the City Council of the City of Karnes City, Texas convened in a **Regular Monthly Meeting** at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall with the following members answering to “Roll Call”:

Mayor -
Mayor Pro-Tem – Jimmy D. Loya, Sr.
Councilmembers: Lillian Lyssy, Sherry Sommer, and Raymond Robinson

Councilmember absent: Mayor Leroy T. Skloss and Kimberly Wright
Others present: City Manager (CM) Don Tymrak, City Development Manager/Finance Director Ray Kroll, City Secretary Veronica Butler, Director of Public Works (DPW) Fernando Rios, Chief of Police Roel Salas, Code Compliance Enforcement (CCE) Kevin Moehrig, Russell Jaskinia, Tyler Liska, Don Liska, Melanie Johnson, Margaret Gotthardt, James McClane, Hope Gutierrez & Art Gutierrez

**C. U.S. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of Silence/Prayer**

D. Consent Agenda:

(1) Minutes

- a. January 26, 2016
- b. February 10, 2016
- c. February 11, 2016

(2) Reports

- a. Administration/Finance/Accounting
- b. Police
- c. Public Works
- d. Parks & Recreation
- e. Code Enforcement
- f. Municipal Court
- g. Fire

After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Robinson to approve the Consent Agenda with the changes on January 26th meeting on item #10 the motion should be 3-1. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS (“A” Session) – No comments

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):

(3) Park Improvements – After further discussion a motion was made by Councilmember Sommer and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the spending of up to \$100,000 to be used out of Asset Replacement Fund towards the City ball fields. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(4) CDBG 2015-2016 for Elevated Ground Storage – CM Tymrak updated the Council on the status of the elevated ground storage, informed the Council that land has been identified on Hwy 181. No action taken.

G. NEW BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):

(5) Citizen request for street light & street improvement – CS Butler informed the Council that the citizen contacted City Hall before the meeting and stated she would not be present the problems have been addressed. No Action Taken.

(6) Citizen request for fencing off of adjacent alley - James “Mac” McLane stated that for years he has maintained the alley and is requesting to fence off the alley. CM Tymrak stated he would treat this case the same way CCO Moehrig has done in the past when someone wants to build a fence in our right-a-way, they will sign paper work that indicates the City is not using it at this time, but at any time the City will have to come in and use it, it will be taken down at their (the customer) expense and if they wish to restore it after the City is done with working they would at their own expense. After further discussion a motion was made by Councilmember Sommer and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to grant the variance to James McLane for this request of fencing off the adjacent alley. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(7) Park “B” Ball Fields Project Award of Bid – Russell Jaskinia with Intrepid Engineering presented to the Council the only bid the City received on the two (2) ball field from Liska Construction. CM Tymrak stated they had a meeting to discuss the plan and what is needed to be able to play a game, the focus is to be able to get 2 fields ready to be able to play games on. FD Kroll stated the asset replacement fund has 1.54 million; the budgeted amount is 600,000 we did not budget spending any of the 1.54 million. Limit of 100,000 at the most. DPW stated he spoke with AEP they are looking into bringing in transformers from Burton Street for ball parks and Browne Street for Amphitheater. After further discussion a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Sommer to award the bid for construction on two (2) City ball parks in the amount of \$375,491.00 to Liska Construction. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(8) Main Lift Station Enhancement Proposal - CM stated the issues with the lift station and why enhancements need to be done. DPW Rios stated the bar screen is like a filter it catches debris. A motion was made by Councilmember Sommer and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to accept the proposal in the amount of \$37,500 from Robert (Jay) Valdez for the installation of concrete vault to accommodate bar screen. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(9) Body cameras and software for Police Dept. - CM Tymrak stated when this was first brought to the Council, Council authorized to move forward but there was an oversight on the number of cameras. CM Tymrak stated the number of cameras has been updated so there is a change in the purchase amount and it's been put back on the agenda for approval. After further discussion a motion was made by Councilmember

Robinson and seconded by Councilmember Sommer to approve the purchase of body cameras and necessary software in the amount of \$21,988.54. The vote was 3-1 in favor, motion passed with Councilmember Loya voting against; Councilmember Loya stated he would like to see the Chief of Police look into grants to help cover the cost.

(10) Cost of Service Study Update – FD Kroll gave the Council an update on the status of the study. No Action Taken.

(11) Annual Records Retention Plan Update – CS Butler presented the estimate for the Annual Records Retention Plan. After further discussion a motion was made by Councilmember Sommer and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the estimate from RCI in the amount of \$26 per labeled box. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(12) City Policy Distraction-Free Driving – CM presented the changes to the proposed policy. After further discussion a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Sommer to accept the City Policy Distraction-Free Driving as presented. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.


(13) TML Update on “Wireless Tower in R-O-W” - CM updated the council on the update. No action taken

H. Public Comments (“B” Session) – Arthur Gutierrez stated Crystal City has had problems with water he wants to know what our monitoring system is to insure we do not have the same issue. Fernando updated Mr. Gutierrez on the City’s process for monitoring the water system.

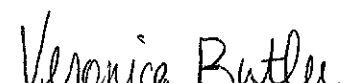
I. Officer Comments

- a. Finance Director/City Development Manager Comments – None
- b. City Manager Comments – None
- c. Mayor and Council Comments – None

J. Adjournment: There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Robinson to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.


Jimmy D. Loya, Sr.
Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:


Veronica Butler
City Secretary

