

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
CITY OF KARNES CITY  
FEBRUARY 28, 2017**

**STATE OF TEXAS)  
COUNTY OF KARNES)  
CITY OF KARNES CITY)**

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of **February 2017**, 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 - Leroy T. Skloss  
Mayor Pro-Tem – Jimmy D. Loya, Sr.  
Councilmembers: Lillian Lyssy, Helen Hernandez  
and Raymond Robinson

Councilmember absent: Sherry Sommer

Others present: City Secretary (CS) Veronica Butler, Accounting Administrator Haylee Sowell, Chief of Police Roel Salas, Code Compliance Enforcement Officer (CCE) Kevin Moehrig, Penny Bowen, Robert Busselman, Don Liska, Kerry Sweat, Russell Jaskinia, Clare Kauffman

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

**D. Consent Agenda:**

**(1) Minutes**

a. January 24, 2017

**(2) Reports**

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

After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Hernandez to approve the Consent Agenda. 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** – Mayor Skloss updated the Council on Park B; concession stand interior is being worked on, concrete is being poured, and Kirby is working on the lighting for the flag garden. Mayor Skloss stated he spoke with John Hertzler with Union Pacific about the situation that we have with the ditch behind the County Jail facility, he also spoke with the County’s attorney they requested a map showing the work that has been done on the City side. No action taken.

**G. NEW BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):**

**(4) Discussion and take action to accept the Retirement Notice of City Manager Don Tymrak** – Mayor Skloss stated according to the contract there is a provision of 30 day notice required to inform the Council of the intent to not complete the contract, according to our City attorney if we accept this today it has no effect on us. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to accept the retirement notice given by City Manager Don Tymrak effective February 24, 2017. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(5) Discussion and take possible action to hire Texas First Group to provide an Interim City Manager** – Kerry Sweatt, co-owner of Texas 1<sup>st</sup> Group provided the Council with information and background history on the company. Mayor Skloss provided the formula used to come up with the hourly rate; budgeted amount for the position plus 30% and divide it by 2080 to get the hourly rate plus housing or mileage will be required also. Councilmember Loya stated he spoke to the Mayor and if we were to get an interim City Manager it can help slow down the process in looking for a permanent City Manager and be sure we go through this process without rushing. Councilmember Robinson stated he feels we do need to be in a rush, we need to advertise now. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to hire Texas 1<sup>st</sup> group to provide an interim City Manager effective Monday, March 6, 2017 at the rate provided by the formula. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**H. Public Comments (“B” Session)** – Robert Busselman stated he would like to know how a City Manager is hired and would like to have a copy of all paper work to show how Don Tymrak was hired as City Manager. Mayor Skloss informed him of the procedure that took place to hire Don Tymrak as City Manager.

**I. Officer Comments**

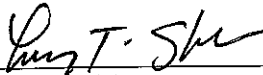
**a. Finance Director/City Development Manager Comments** – None.

**b. City Manager Comments** – None

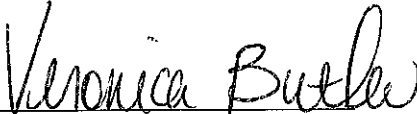
**c. Mayor and Council Comments** – Mayor Skloss updated the Council on the progress on the water tower and presented images for the logos. Councilmember Loya updated the Council on sewer issues the Nunez family is having at their residence on Butler St., this issue has been ongoing for a few years. We need to look into a plan to get the issue fixed, every time it rains they have issues with the plumbing.

**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.

  
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Leroy T. Skloss  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Veronica Butler  
City Secretary

