

**SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY OF KARNES CITY  
AUGUST 16, 2018**

**STATE OF TEXAS)  
COUNTY OF KARNES)  
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On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of **August 2018**, the City Council of the City of Karnes City, Texas convened in a **Special 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. left at 6:58 back at 7:10  
Councilmembers: Lillian Lyssy, Robert Ebrom,  
and Larry Franke

Councilmembers absent: Aaron Rosales  
Others present were City Manager Robert Evans, City Secretary Veronica Butler, Accounting Administrator Haylee Sowell, Director of Public Works Fernando Rios, Chief of Police Roel Salas, Fire Chief Charlie Malik and Monica Quintanilla, Christina Rodriguez and Monty Small.

**NEW BUSINESS – “CONSIDER AND ACT UPON”:**

**4. Discussion/Take any necessary action concerning the contractually indexed pricing for water supplied by PC Aquatics** – CM Evans informed the Council that this contract is already in place but the index has not been updated. Mayor Skloss informed the Council about the contract; it’s an alternate water source. Accounting Administrator Sowell presented the Council with the increase amount; she informed the Council that Mr. Nieschwietz will be at the next regular City Council meeting to present the contract with the updated amount. No action taken.

**5. Discussion/Take any necessary action to address adding recycling services to the current solid waste disposal contract** – CM Evans presented the proposal from Waste Connections which shows an amount of \$5.50 - \$6.00 a month to add recycling services for each resident. Councilmember Franke suggested putting it to a community vote. Councilmember Ebrom stated he cannot support that much of a rate increase on the bills. No action taken.

**6. Discussion/Take any necessary action to provide services and street maintenance to the planned Atascosa Health Clinic** – Monte Small from Atascosa Health Clinic updated the Council on the clinic’s project; bids should start coming in in October, ground breaking should start in January 2019. DPW Rios stated he already spoke to the engineer and has plans on where the water and sewer will come from. Mayor Skloss suggested waiting until November to start the services and street maintenance. No action taken.

**7. Executive Session – The council may enter into closed or executive session to discuss the following: Personnel Matters pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074. –**

- A. Employee Salaries**
- B. Retirement contribution**
- C. Fire Department incentives**

The Mayor and Council convened into executive session at 6:21 PM.

**8. Return to Open Session- Consider and take necessary action on items listed in numbers 7A, 7B, 7C, executive session, if necessary –** After discussion in executive session the Mayor and Council reconvened into open session at 7:28 PM following which, a motion was made;


**7A:** After discussion in executive session the Mayor and Council reconvened into open session at 7:28 PM following which, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Ebrom to give each employee a 3% salary increase straight across the board. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.


**7B:** After discussion in executive session the Mayor and Council reconvened into open session at 7:28 PM following which, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Frank to table this item until we get the actual numbers from TMRS. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**7C:** After discussion in executive session the Mayor and Council reconvened into open session at 7:28 PM following which, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Franke to reduce the current line item for fire incentives and training from \$10,000 to \$5,000 and make a separate line item for Fire department Incentives only in the amount of \$10,000. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**9. FY 2018/2019 Budget Workshop –** Accounting Admin Sowell informed the Council she will make the above changes to the budget and present it at the next budget workshop. No action taken.

**Adjournment:** There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Franke and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy 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

