

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
CITY OF KARNES CITY
MAY 28, 2019**

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On this 28th day of May 2019, 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, Robert Ebrom Jr.,
And Larry Franke

Councilmember absent: Aaron Rosales

Others present: City Manager (CM) Robert Evans, City Secretary Veronica Butler, Director of Public Works (DPW) Fernando Rios, Police Chief Roel E. Salas, Code Compliance Enforcement Officer (CCE) Kevin Moehrig, Mely Martinez, Christina Rodriguez, Cheryl Moy, Dwayne Villanueva, Alex Kotara, Christina Rodriguez, Boyd Weise, Trey Sims, Kevin Englehart, Rosalinda Zapata.

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

D. Consent Agenda:

(1) Minutes

a. April 23, 2019

(2) Monthly Department Reports

After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy 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- Discuss and consider report on status of municipal park projects – CM Evans informed the Council he has not heard anything from Liska Construction since last month, since then we have had a good amount of rain. No action taken.

G. NEW BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):

(4) Discuss and consider application submitted by Rosalinda Zapata for a city permit for the operation of a game room at 112 South Browne Street, Karnes City,

Texas – A motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to go into executive session to be able to consult with legal counsel on the request. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed. The Mayor and Council convened into executive session at 6:31pm. After discussion in executive session, the Mayor and Council reconvened into open session at 6:51 in which, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the permit for the operation of a game room at 112 S. Browne. The vote was 3-1 in favor and the motion was declared passed, Councilmember Franke voted against the motion.

(5) Discuss and take possible action on the Mayoral Proclamation declaring the week of May 5-11, 2019 National Small Business Week – Cheryl Moy with the Karnes City Chamber presented the Council of the background history on the National Small Business Week. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Franke and seconded by Councilmember Ebrom to approve the Mayoral Proclamation declaring the week of May 5-11, 2019 as National Small Business Week. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(6) Discuss and take possible action on the request for variance by Ranulfo Calderon to locate an RV on 1204 N. Panna Maria – Not present, no discussion.

(7) Discuss and take possible action in response to the request by Matthew Garza to start a youth kickball team - Not present, no discussion.

(8) Discuss and take possible action on the request by Jennifer Dillingham on behalf of the Education Foundation to support a Downtown Street Dance in Karnes City in August – Jennifer Dillingham with the KCISD Education Foundation informed the Council of the 3rd annual downtown street dance on August 17, 2019. Mrs. Dillingham stated they would like to apply for the hotel/motel occupancy tax funds, approval for the street closure and a waiver for the variance to allow the sale of alcohol downtown. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Franke to approve the variance to allow the sale of alcohol and approval for the street closure. The vote was 3-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed, Councilmember Ebrom abstained from voting.

(9) Discuss and consider request by Ruben Leal regarding sewage and drainage problems at property located at 308 S. HWY 181 – Ruben Leal informed the Council of the ongoing issues he has when it rains. Mayor Skloss informed Mr. Leal that he knows there has been a lot of work done in the area; the home is in a very low spot. CM Evans presented the Council with history on all the checks and repairs that have already been done. DPW Rios stated all the improvements on the State roads have caused the rain to flow behind his house and into a creek that has been filled in over time, all of that is on private property. Mayor Skloss suggested the City Manager to get with TXDOT and land owner to come up with a resolution and report at the next month's meeting. No action taken.

(10) Discuss and consider proposed updates by Thonhoff Consulting Engineers, Inc. to the 2019 Street Projects – CM Evans informed the Council that the request for bids are in the paper this week, we will open bids June 13th at 2pm. No action taken.

(11) Discuss and consider the 50% Planning Update by M&S Engineering on the Cooling Tower Project – Trey Sims project manager with M&S Engineering presented the Council with an update on the project. No action taken.

(12) Discuss and take possible action to allow additional inspections by AG/CM on the renovation project at the Karnes County National Bank – CM Evans informed the Council that this has already been approved, this is just informational. No action taken.

(13) Discuss and Consider action on Resolution 2019-001 suspending the June 5, 2019 effective date of AEP Texas Inc.'s requested rate change to permit the city time to study the request and to establish reasonable rates; approving cooperation with the cities served by AEP Texas and authorizing intervention in AEP Texas Inc.'s requested rate change proceedings before the commission; hiring Lloyd Gosselink attorneys and consulting services to negotiate with the company and direct any necessary litigation and appeals; requiring reimbursement of cities' rate case expenses; finding that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law; requiring notice of this resolution to the company and legal counsel – CM Evans informed the Council that this resolution is suggested by our attorneys. Boyd Weise with AEP informed the council of the rate increase. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Franke to approve Resolution 2019-001. The vote was 3 -0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed, Councilmember Ebrom abstained from voting.

(14) Discuss and take possible action on amendment to 2018-2019 Budget for purchase of law enforcement radars –After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Franke to approve the budget amendment from asset replacement in the amount of \$5,460 for the purchase of the law enforcement radars. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.


H. Public Comments – No comments.

I. Officer Comments

a. City Manager Comments – CM Evans updated the Council on the project for the Public Works Department.

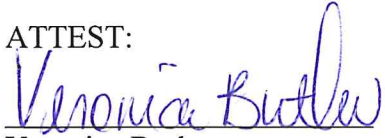
b. Mayor and Council Comments – Councilmember Lyssy informed the Council that bids will go out for the Atascosa Health building. Councilmember Ebrom asked what the status of the salary survey is and the budget process. Councilmember Loya recommended looking into soccer fields.

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



Leroy T. Skloss
Mayor

ATTEST:



Veronica Butler
City Secretary

