

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
CITY OF KARNES CITY  
JANUARY 28, 2020**

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

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020, 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 left 8:09pm  
Mayor Pro-Tem – Jimmy D. Loya, Sr.  
Councilmembers: Lillian Lyssy, Robert Ebrom Jr.,  
Aaron Rosales and Larry Franke

Councilmember absent:

Others present: City Manager (CM) Ken Roberts, City Secretary (CS) Veronica Butler, Director of Public Works (DPW) Fernando Rios, Police Chief Roel E. Salas, Fire Chief Charles Malik, Haylee Jurgajtis, Corina Venable, Gilberto Lozano, Brandon Smart, Matthew Garza, Laura Reyes, Dale Villanueva, Danny Kotzur, Scott Barrientez, Jonathan Schulz, Thomas Pena, Monica Quintanilla, Trey Sims, Kevin Englehart, and Phil Vaughan.

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

**D. Public Comments –**

**E. Consent Agenda:**

**(1) Minutes**

- a. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from;  
November 26, 2019

**(2) Discuss and consider monthly reports from City Departments.**

After discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to approve the Consent Agenda. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):**

**(3) Park Improvements- Discuss and consider report on status of municipal park projects** – Mayor Skloss informed the Council of the proposed park projects that the parks board has proposed. Mayor would like to have the CM look over the projects and bring it back to the Council in February. Haylee informed the Council that the park has their budget that could cover the proposed projects.

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

**(4) Discuss and take possible action on the annual contract with Karnes City little league** – Corina Venable president for Karnes City little league informed the Council that league is requesting to get the contract to how it was previously when the City would maintain and chalk the fields and to possibly waive the fees. DPW Rios informed the Council that his department can prep the fields before games just not between the games. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the contract and waive the monthly fee. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(5) Discuss and take possible action on the request from Karnes Housing Corporation to pave Huckle St. and have the City maintain the street** – Johnathan Schulz with Karnes Housing Corporation informed the Council of the organization. He stated Huckle St. is currently private property and the housing would like to pave the street and transfer the street over to the City for maintenance. CM Roberts informed the Council, if the city takes over the maintenance of the street the contract would have to be submitted to our engineer and make sure it is up to City specs and have a 2-year warranty. DPW Rios informed the Council that there is a water line right in the middle of the road that provides water to the current residence; he also informed the Council that is was an alley at one time. Mayor Skloss recommended bringing it back to the council in February to give the staff time to resolve any issues.

**(6) Discuss and take possible action on the Annual 2018/2019 Financial Audit submitted by Armstrong, Vaughan & Associates, P.C.** – Phil Vaughan presented the 2018/2019 Financial Audit. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Franke to accept the 2018/2019 financial audit. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(7) Discuss and take possible action on the proposed Change Order #2 in the amount of \$29,548.23 by Shannon-Monk, Inc. for the Cooling Tower Project** – Trey Sims with M&S Engineering presented the change order, from a hard start to a soft start on the motors. DPW Rios informed the Council that we currently have a soft start on most of our wells. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Franke and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve changer order #2 in the amount of \$29,548.23. The vote was 4-1 in favor and the motion was declared passed. Councilmember Ebrom voted against the motion.

**(8) Discuss and take possible action on the annexation request from Dlugosch III, LLC** – CM Roberts informed the Council that the LLC would like for the City to annex this property into our City. They will be sewer customers, and possibly a need for a fire line if El Oso does not have the amount of pressure they need for fire line protection. DPW Rios informed the Council we would have to get an engineer involved to be able to boar under the HWY for services. After further discussion, a motion was made by

Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to authorize the City Manager to proceed with the negotiation with Dluglosch III, LLC regarding the requested annexation. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(9) Discuss and consider approving Resolution 2020-001, a resolution of the City of Karnes City, Texas providing notice of General Election for Mayor, Place 1, Place 2, Place 3, Place 4, and Place 5 on May 2, 2020. Establishing early voting location and polling place for this election; authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Karnes County Elections Administrator and making provisions for the conduct of the election.**

**Discutir y considerar la aprobación de la Resolución 2020-001, una resolución de la Ciudad de Karnes City, Texas que proporciona aviso de Elección General para el Alcalde, Lugar 1, Lugar 2, Lugar 3, Lugar 4, y Lugar 5 el 2 de Mayo de 2020. Estableciendo temprano el lugar de votación y de votación para esta elección; autorizando a la Ciudad a entrar a un contrato con el Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Karnes y hacer provisiones para la conducta de la elección.**

Mayor Skloss presented the ordinance to the Council. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve resolution 2020-001. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(10) Discuss and take possible action on proposed agreement with Super 8 Motel for overdue Hotel/Motel Occupancy Taxes** – Haylee informed the Council that the hotel is past due and would like a payment arrangement, our City attorney is working with their attorney to make arrangements to pay the taxes. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Franke and seconded by Councilmember Ebrom to authorize the Mayor to go into an agreement with the hotel. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(11) Discuss and take possible action on proposal by Electric Time for repairs to clock located on the exterior of City Hall** – CM Roberts informed the Council of the quote received to repair the clock outside of City Hall. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Franke and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to approve the repairs to the clock not to exceed \$3,500. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(12) Executive Session – The Council may enter into closed or executive session to discuss the following Personnel under Tex. Government Code Section 551.074**

**(a) Personnel Matters**

**(b) Discussion with attorney on real property**

**(c) Amendment/Modify the Consulting Services Agreement with Haylee Ann Jurgajtis.**

Mayor and Council convened into executive session at 7:12pm.

**(13) Return to Open Session – Discuss and take possible action resulting from Executive Session** – After discussion in executive session, the Council reconvened into open session at 8:23 pm in which, a motion was made by Councilmember Rosales and seconded by Councilmember Franke to approve employee report from the City Manager and Mayor Skloss and approving budget adjustment from the report. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**H. Officer Comments**

**a. City Manager Comments** – CM Roberts gave recommendations for the next City Council meetings.

**b. Mayor and Council Comments** – Councilmember Franke stated he received a complaint about the water tower lights flashing; he would like them to be one color and not flashing. Councilmember Loya wanted to recognize the good work that the City maintenance guys are doing cleaning the railroad right away.

**I. Adjournment:** There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Franke to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

ATTEST:

  
Veronica Butler  
City Secretary

  
Leroy T. Skloss  
Mayor

