

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
CITY OF KARNES CITY  
MAY 26, 2020**

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

On this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 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  
Mayor Pro-Tem – Jimmy D. Loya, Sr.  
Councilmembers: Lillian Lyssy, Robert Ebrom Jr.  
And Aaron Rosales

Councilmember absent: Larry Franke

Others present: City Manager (CM) Ken Roberts, City Secretary (CS) Veronica Butler, Director of Public Works (DPW) Fernando Rios, Police Chief Roel E. Salas, Code Compliance Enforcement Officer (CCE) Kevin Moehrig, Haylee Jurgajtis, Gus Hernandez, Eloy Rodriguez, Jessie Lopez, Matthew Smith, Mike Wozniak, Buck Benson and Brian Dlugosch.

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

**D. Public Comments** – No comments.

**E. Consent Agenda:**

**(1) Minutes**

- a. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from;  
April 28, 2020

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

After 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.

**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 that we have not started the test area for the walking trail. No action taken.

**(4) Discuss and take possible action on the request from Arnold Alaniz for a variance authorizing temporary parking of his personal heavy truck (truck with more than two axles or with an overall length greater than 30ft.) at his home located**

at 508 W. Broadway, Karnes City, Texas – CM Roberts informed the Council that he received a recommendation from our City attorney, I would recommend to table this item until we revise the ordinance. No action taken.

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

**(5) Public Hearing on the Voluntary Annexation of Municipal boundaries of approximately 7.4 acres owned by Dlugosch III, LLC and located near intersection of Highway 181 and County Road 347** – Mayor Skloss opened the public hearing at 6:03 p.m., no comments, Mayor Skloss closed the open session at 6:43 p.m.

**(6) Discuss and consider Annexation Services Agreement for 7.4-acre tract located near intersection of Highway 181 and County Road 347 owned by Dlugosch III, LLC** – Mayor Skloss presented the annexation service agreement. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to approve the annexation service agreement for 7.4 acre tract located near intersection of Highway 181 and County Road 347. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(7) Discuss and consider authorizing mayor to enter into Development and Annexation Agreement with Dlugosch III, LLC for annexation of 7.4-acre tract located near intersection of Highway 181 and County Road 347** - Mayor Skloss presented the development and annexation agreement. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve to enter into a Development and Annexation Agreement with Dlugosh III, LLL for annexation of the 7.4 acre tract located near the intersection of Highway 181 and County Road 347. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(8) Discuss and consider Ordinance No. 2020-003 approving Voluntary Annexation Petition by Dlugosch III, LLC to annex 7.4-acre tract located near intersection of Highway 181 and County Road 347** – Mayor Skloss presented ordinance 2020-003. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to approve Ordinance 2020-003 approving the voluntary Annexation Petition by Dlugosch III, LLC to annex 7.4-acre tract located near intersection of Highway 181 and County Road 347. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(9) Discuss and take possible action on the request by Matthew Smith for an adjustment to water bill due to water leak on property located at 711 Helena Street, Karnes City** - Mr. Smith informed the Council that he had a leak at his location and is asking for some type of resolution from the City so he is not on the hook for such a large water bill, he stated this was negligence on the City side and this could have been prevented. DPW Rios informed the Council that he spoke with the guys that turned the services on and they confirmed they turned on the services and also mentioned that the property has a customer cutoff. CCE Moehrig informed the Council that he had a



plumber at the location to disconnect some RV connections in order to be in compliance with the City ordinance. CM Roberts informed the Council that he made a prior arrangement with Mr. Smith to make payment on the account before coming to council, also offered to deduct \$200 off the bill and make a payment arrangement for the rest of the owed bill. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Loya to deny Mr. Smith's request. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(10) Discuss and consider request by Karnes City Lodge Hotel, 309 S. US 181, Karnes City for a waiver of the payment of its Hotel and Motel Occupancy Tax for May and June 2020** – Mayor Skloss informed the Council that he had received an email for this request, he also received a response from our City Attorney suggesting that the city agree to assist Mr. Patel in contacting the comptroller's office regarding such an agreement. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to direct the staff to assist the Karnes City Lodge Hotel in contacting the comptroller's office. The vote was 3-1 in favor and the motion was declared passed, Councilmember Ebrom voted against the motion.

**(11) Discuss and take possible action on the replat application by Oakland Brosig for Block 19 and 20, City of Karnes City, Texas** – CM Robert presented the replat survey from Mr. Brosig, this was from a past meeting that the Council gave a conceptual approval pending the survey. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Ebrom to approve the replat of block 19 & 20. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(12) Discuss and consider authorizing purchase of a 2011 Vactor Sewer Cleaner from NCL for \$160,000** – CM Roberts stated it's a good truck and it does much more than sewer lines. DPW Rios stated this is a truck that was traded in from SARA, this is a complete game changer there is so much we can do with it, we have checked out the truck, it all looks and sounds great. Councilmember Ebrom stated this doesn't make financial sense; we can rent one instead of buying this right in the middle of a budget year. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to deny the purchase of the 2011 Vactor Sewer Cleaner. The vote was 3-2 in favor and the motion was declared passed with Mayor Skloss voting in favor of the motion as a tie breaker.

**(13) Discuss and consider Mayoral Proclamation declaring the month of May as Community Action Month in recognition of the hard work and dedication of all Karnes City, TX Community Action Agencies** – Mayor Skloss presented the proclamation. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to approve the Mayoral Proclamation declaring the month of May as Community Action Month. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(14) Discuss and consider approving an agreement with Bureau Veritas for plan review, building site inspections, and fire and health inspection services – CM** Roberts informed the Council that rules have changed and we would need to hire someone to do inspection due to Kevin not being license to do inspections. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the contract with Bureau Veritas. The vote was 3-1 in favor and the motion was declared passed, Councilmember Loya voted against the motion.

**(15) Discuss and take possible action on proposal from Municode for publication and codification services – CM** Roberts informed the Council of the services Municode provides. CS Butler informed the Council that the City staff had already sent in all ordinances to be able to get an accurate quote. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the proposal from Municode in the amount not to exceed \$10,000. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(16) Discuss and take possible action on city application to Karnes County for funds available through the U.S. Coronavirus Relief Fund – CM** Roberts stated we have not had any expenses at this time, the deadline is in December so if anything comes up we can apply before then. No action taken.

**(17) Discussion and presentation regarding proposed interlocal agreement with City of Kenedy for mutual aid for police and emergency services – CM** Roberts informed the Council that his is only for presentation, we will bring it back to Council in June. No action taken.

**(18) Discuss and take possible action on the request by Billy & Kathy Carr to lower curb 4 ½ inches for a second driveway entrance at 502 E. Houston, Karnes City –** Contractor Mike Wozniak informed the Council that he is going to install a 16ft driveway but he needs to lower the curb to prevent drainage problems. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to approve the request. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

**(19) Discuss and consider extending the Declaration of Health Disaster Area –** Mayor Skloss informed the Council that we are following the Governor's orders. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Ebrom and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to approve extending the Declaration of Health Disaster Area. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

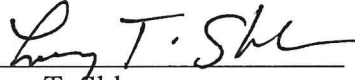
#### **H. Officer Comments**

**a. City Manager Comments – CM** Roberts informed the Council that Municipal Court will be reopening.

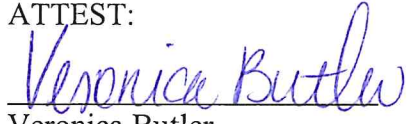
**b. Mayor and Council Comments –** Councilmember Loya thanked the Maintenance guys for all their help with the senior banners. Councilmember

Ebrom asked about progress of street paving project. Mayor Skloss asked for an update on the Cooling Tower Project.

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

