

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

On the 8th day of October, 2019, the City Council of Taft, Texas, convened in a regular session at 402 Park St, at the Kiva Hut, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Pedro "Pete" Lopez Mayor
Leonard Vasquez Mayor Pro-tem
Felipe Rodriguez, III Absent
Donnie Riojas
Lolo Hernandez

Others present: Denise Hitt, City Manager, Mary Alice Sandoval, Finance Director, and Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary.

#1. There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

#2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Hernandez led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

#3. Visitors.

Jesus Trevino, 738 McIntyre, stated that his meter reading on his water bill are not corresponding to the reading that he is getting from his water meter.

Mayor jumped into Item #11.

#11. Consider, discuss and take action to renew the City Manager's agreement for 12 months. (Councilman Rodriguez)

Mayor read an email from Councilman Rodriguez stating that he would like to remove the agenda item.

Councilman Vasquez made a motion to table this item. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Riojas.

The following votes were polled:
Ayes: Vasquez, Mayor, Riojas, Hernandez
Nays: None
Absent: Rodriguez
The motion carried.

Mayor asked Denise Hitt to remove herself from the city manager spot since she did not have a contract. Denise remained for the remainder of the meeting.

Mayor went back to Item #5.

#5. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.

Mary Alice informed the council on the financial condition. The TQIC account total was \$47,856.96. The Street account total was \$114,506.80.

Mayor went back to Item #4.

#4. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the June 11, 2019 regular meeting minutes, June 25, 2019 regular meeting minutes, July 9, 2019 regular meeting minutes, July 14, 2019 special meeting minutes, July 23, 2019 regular meeting minutes, August 3, 2019 special meeting minutes, August 8, 2019 special meeting minutes, August 13, 2019 regular meeting minutes, August 15, 2019 special meeting minutes, and August 27, 2019 regular meeting minutes.

Councilwoman Riojas made a motion to approve all the minutes in Item #4. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vasquez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Vasquez, Mayor, Riojas, Hernandez

Nays: None

Absent: Rodriguez

The motion carried.

#6. Public Hearing: Zoning request which, if approved, would zone land/property as "Manufactured Home District" as defined by the Taft Code of Ordinances with the legal description of ABST 268 George Clark Survey, Packing House Ave & Industrial, Taft, Texas 78390.

Mayor opened the public hearing at 6:56 p.m.

Bryan D 'Caro with Rafter D Investments explained where the property was located and what they are planning on doing on that property. There were no other comments from the public.

Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:00 p.m.

#7. Discuss and take action on a zoning request which, if approved, would zone land/property as "Manufactured Home District" as defined by the Taft Code of Ordinances with the legal description of ABST 268 George Clark Survey, Packing House Ave & Industrial, Taft, Texas 78390.

Councilwoman Riojas made a motion to approve zoning land/property as "Manufactured Home District" as defined by the Taft Code of Ordinances with the legal description of ABST 268 George Clark Survey, Packing House Ave & Industrial, Taft, Texas 78390. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hernandez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Vasquez, Mayor, Riojas, Hernandez

Nays: None

Absent: Rodriguez

The motion carried.

#8. Consider, discuss and take action upon casting City of Taft's votes for persons to serve on the San Patricio Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Councilwoman Riojas made a motion to approve Resolution 627. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vasquez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Vasquez, Mayor, Riojas, Hernandez

Nays: None

Absent: Rodriguez

The motion carried.

#9. Consider, discuss and take action to appoint Kay Putnam and Patsy McNamee to the Library Board.

Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve to appoint Kay Putnam and Patsy McNamee to the Library Board. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vasquez.

The following votes were polled:
Ayes: Vasquez, Mayor, Riojas, Hernandez
Nays: None
Absent: Rodriguez
The motion carried.

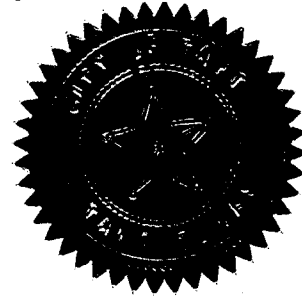
#10. Discuss monthly reports for animal control, code enforcement, and public works.

Chief Cornish discussed the animal control and code enforcement reports. Joe Sandoval discussed the public works report.

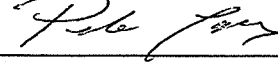
#12. Adjournment.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilman Vasquez to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Riojas.

The following votes were polled:
Ayes: Vasquez, Mayor, Riojas, Hernandez
Nays: None
Absent: Rodriguez
The motion carried.

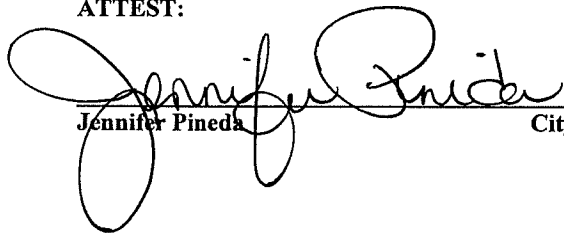


CITY OF TAFT



Pedro Lopez Mayor

ATTEST:



Jennifer Pineda City Secretary