

The Town Council of the Town of Pecos City met in Regular City Council Meeting in the City Council Chambers on May 14, 2015 5:30 P.M. with the following present:

Gerald Tellez	Mayor Pro-Tem
Alfredo Saldana	Councilman
Rudy Villegas	Councilman
Wally Moon	Councilman
Eric Honeyfield	City Manager
Heather Ramirez	City Secretary
Jonathan Fuentes	Finance Director
Trent Graham	City Attorney
Clay McKinney	Police Chief
Conchita Hernandez	Community Development
Gary Rumbaugh	Public Works Director
Jesus Silva	Public Works Director Asst.
Holly Jarocki	Building Official/Code Enforcement
Isabelle de Brouwer	Airport Manager
Debbie Thomas	Main Street Manager
Syndi Fuentez	Permit Specialist

Item A. Mayor-Pro-Tem Gerald Tellez called the May 14, 2015 meeting to order at 5:30 pm. *Mayor Venetta Seals and Councilman Chuck Knudsen not present.*

Item B. Invocation by Councilman Alfredo Saldana

Item C. Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Wally Moon

Item D. Public Comments.

Mrs. Barbara Swenson commented on the Eddy Street/Country Club interconnection proposal. Public Works Director Gary Rumbaugh gave an update on the Fire Hydrant Replacement Project and the new trash trucks. Mr. Rumbaugh also gave an update on Blue Collar working on the Street Project. Main Street Manager Debbie Thomas stated that approximately 20% of the community voted in the May 9th Election.

Item E. Consent Agenda.

On motion by Councilman Villegas and seconded by Councilman Saldana and with Councilman Villegas abstaining from the Accounts Payable Report NAPA page 13 (\$459.36) Page 26 (\$4305.77) and page 47 (\$83.61) and with the Mayor noting the Accounts Payable Report Pecos Tire page 13(\$50.00), the Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting for April 23, 2015, Monthly Juvenile Report for April 2015, Monthly Municipal Airport Report for April 2015, Overtime Report and the Accounts Payable Report.

Items F. Non Consent Items.

1. PRESENTATION Mr. Oscar Acosta, Deportation Officer, ICE was present to present a program that ICE has called the Explorers Program. The participants in the Explorers Program were present and introduced themselves one by one.
2. WATER TANK REPLACEMENT/WATER STATION Public Works Director Assistant Jesus Silva gave an update on the Town of Pecos City's Blending Tank Replacement and Water Stations Engineer's Project No. E1406EP. Mr. Silva gave a Power-Point presentation and discussed the steps which include the demolition of tank, tank excavation, compacting and formation. The completion date should be around October 26th.
3. LIFT STATION Public Works Director Assistant Jesus Silva gave an update on the Town of Pecos City's Stafford Lift Station, Sanitary Sewer and Force Main Engineers Project No E1408EP. Mr. Silva gave a PowerPoint presentation and also stated that June 29th is the completion date.
4. MAXEY PARK Community Development Director Conchita Hernandez discussed the purchase of the second phase to Kid's City for the amount of \$52,054.28. The Second Phase would be playground equipment for ages 2-5. On motion by Councilman Villegas and seconded by Councilman Saldana, the Council voted unanimously to approve the purchase of second phase to Kids' City in the amount of \$52,054.28.
5. MAXEY PARK Community Development Director Conchita Hernandez discussed the Maxey Park Fundraising Campaign and discussed a donation letter for Park Amenities (Merry Go Round, Benches, and Tables). On motion by Councilman Moon and seconded by Councilman Saldana, the Council voted unanimously to move forward with the Maxey Park Fundraising Campaign and circulate the donation letter.
6. CITY SEWER EFFLUENT City Manager Eric Honeyfield presented a Draft RFP for the sale of City sewer effluent. Mr. Honeyfield and the Council discussed the price of 10 cents versus 25 cents. On motion by Councilman Moon and seconded by Councilman Villegas, the Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to negotiate with the idea (not concrete) and if works will re-negotiate for the sale of effluent.
7. LANDFILL City Manager Eric Honeyfield discussed a contact for the purchase of 480 acres for \$1000/acre. This land would be the proposed landfill location which is 9.5 miles from west city limits and this would probably be for surface only and not minerals. On motion by Councilman Moon and seconded by Councilman Saldana, the Council voted unanimously to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract for the purchase of 480 acres for \$1000/acre North East of Town approximately one mile North East of Duvall Road, specifically as a portion of Block 4 Section 21 of H&G RR CO.
8. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT Councilman Villegas asked for this item to be postponed for a later date. No action taken.

9. PECOS HOUSING AUTHORITY City Manager Eric Honeyfield discussed an ongoing resolution outlining the local incentives available for the development of housing and the creation of a Housing Finance Corporation that would be operated and overseen by the Pecos Housing Authority. This would be one more tool to enable the use of both State and Federal assistance in addition to the local assistance already available. On motion by Councilman Villegas and seconded by Councilman Saldana, the Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No15-05-01R, a Resolution for Pecos Housing Finance Corporation’s Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Appointing its Board of Directors as presented.

10. ELECTION CANVASS City Secretary Heather Ramirez presented a Resolution Canvassing the May 9, 2015 Election Returns for Councilors which states the following:

Chuck Knudsen	517
Genaro Luis Tellez, Jr.	473
Rudy Villegas	434
Judy Foster	396
Hector Carrasco	389
Arthur (Arturo) Orona	338

On motion by Councilman Saldana and seconded by Councilman Villegas, the Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No 15-05-02R, a Resolution canvassing the May 9, 2015 Election Returns and naming Chuck Knudsen, Genaro Luis Tellez, Jr and Rudy Villegas as Councilors for a two year term.

11. ELECTION ORDINANCE City Secretary Heather Ramirez presented an Ordinance Canvassing the May 9, 2015 Election Returns for the City Charter Amendments which stated the following:

<p><u>623</u> VOTE: FOR</p> <p><u>467</u> VOTE: AGAINST</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Charter Amendment 1</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Four-Year Terms for City Elected Officials</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Shall the City Charter for the Town of Pecos City be amended to allow Four-Year terms for Elected Officials assigned to particular Seats and Winning by Majority (more than 50%) vote</p>
<p><u>931</u> VOTE: FOR</p> <p><u>131</u> VOTE: AGAINST</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Charter Amendment 2</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ad Valorem Taxes Pain in Full</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Shall the City Charter for the Town of Pecos City be amended to require Candidates for Municipal Office to show proof that no outstanding Ad Valorem Taxes are owed against Properties regardless of Entity</p>

On

motion by Councilman Saldana and seconded by Councilman Villegas, the Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance No 15-05-01, an Ordinance canvassing the May 9, 2015 Election returns for the City Charter Amendments, only reading.

12. AD VALOREM TAXES City Manager Eric Honeyfield presented an Ordinance reflecting the City Charter Amendments (above) from the Election and to also include for City Board Members to be paid up on all as valorem taxes, property requested to receive any city permit/building permit or requested to be served by city utilities or proposed for reconnection after a disconnect of 90 days or more and must be brought current on all ad valorem taxes prior to being served/connected, and for prospective City employees to be current on all such ad valorem taxes as a condition of being hired. On motion by Councilman Villegas and seconded by Councilman Saldana, the Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance No 15-05-02, an Ordinance for City Board Members to remain current on all Ad Valorem Taxes, 1st Reading.

13. HOOKAH LOUNGE No Action taken on Ordinance No 15-05-03, an Ordinance consider the location of Hookah/Smoking Lounges, 1st reading.

14. PECOS MAIN STREET Main Street Manager Debra Thomas presented everyone who showed interest to the Pecos Main Street Advisory Board. They included Gail Osborne, Emily McKinney, Robin Hernandez, Holly Jarocki and Judy Fuentes. On motion by Councilman Villegas and seconded by Councilman Moon, the Council voted unanimously to appoint Emily McKinney to the Pecos Main Street Advisory Board.

***At 7:12 pm the Mayor Pro-Tem Declared Entering into Executive Session:
Government Code Section, 551.071***

1. Discuss/Consider Consultation with Attorney on Proposed Pipeline Easement with Endeavor Energy Resources LP. (551.071) - Trent Graham, City Attorney

At 7:21 pm the Mayor Pro-Tem declared coming back into Open Executive Session under Government Code Section, 551.071

Item 1. No action taken.

Adjourn at 7:23 pm

Mayor-Pro Tem

Attest:

City Secretary