

The Town Council of the Town of Pecos City met in Regular City Council Meeting in the City Council Chambers on March 14, 2019 at 5:30 P.M. with the following present:

Venetta Seals	Mayor
Gerald Tellez	Mayor Pro-Tem
Veronica Baca	Councilwoman
Oscar Ornelas	Councilman
Seth Sorensen	City Manager
Rod Ponton	City Attorney
Howdy Lisenbee	Assistant City Manager
Syra Nichols	City Secretary
Heather Ramirez	Finance Director
Kristen Irely	HR Director
Gary Rumbaugh	Public Works Director
Holly Jarocki	Projects Director
Jesus Gomez	MIS
Juan Vasquez	Police Sergeant
Joshua Ortiz	IT Technician

Item A. Mayor Venetta Seals called the March 14, 2019 meeting to order at 5:30 pm. *Wally Moon, Councilmember, and Arthur Ornelas, Councilmember were not present.*

Item B. Invocation by Councilwoman Baca

Item C. Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Ornelas

Item D. Public Comments

Olga Flores, Pecos Resident, asked if the City would continue to plan on providing a new city swimming pool for the community.

Jaime Lares, Pecos Resident, stated that the baseball fields at the park were in need of some maintenance, there are lights out and light fixtures hanging off the pole. The local senior baseball league has had to use school facilities which they are being charged for.

LaDonna Olivier, Pecos Resident, stated that she would like to suggest that the Council invest in microphones to utilize in meetings so that everyone in the audience can hear. Mrs. Olivier went on to request that the Council also consider to stream the meetings live to help residents that are unable to attend the Council meetings.

Holly Jarocki, Project Manager, informed everyone the Pecos Cares Campaign was going to be set up on Saturday, March 16th at the corner of 10th and Willow with an appliance trailer and roll off and 8th and Hackberry with an additional roll off. Mrs. Jarocki went on to state that that the semi-annual community cleanup is set up for Saturday, March 30th from 8:00 am to noon.

Item E. Consent Agenda

On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Baca, the Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting, emergency services report and the expenditure report, with noted changes to the February 25, 2019 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

Item F. Non-Consent

1. **PRESENTATION-** James Stefka, Director of Operations and Robert Sanchez, Program Director, presented the council with a presentation by American Medical Response (AMR) and AeroCare. The presentations highlighted the benefits of allowing AMR and AeroCare to service the community and the membership plans that are offered. No action taken.
2. **PRESENTATION-** Kenneth Russell, Director of Reeves County Veterans Services, presented the Council with a presentation on proposed improvements to the Veteran's Memorial and the possible development of a Veteran's Hall at Maxey Park. No action taken.
3. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Holly Jarocki, Project Manager, asked that the Council consider action on the Dilapidated Structure located at 602 N. Cedar Street. Mrs. Jarocki stated that there was a deadline set by the Council to extend construction on the property until March 14, 2019 and to date only the windows have been replaced and half the roof has been completed and insulation has been installed. There is an electrician from New Mexico working on complying with TDLR regulations and other contractors are backed up on work for 6-8 weeks so as of March 14th there is no progress due to the standstill with the contractors. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to grant a two week extension to March 28, 2019 to allow for more progress on the 602 N. Cedar property.
4. **UPDATE-** Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, gave the Council an update on the progress of the 7th Street Reconstruction Project. Mr. Rumbaugh stated the project is 98% complete, the contractors have completed the driveways to the alleyways and all that is needed is a complete walk through by the inspectors to ensure that all the requirements have been completed. No action taken.
5. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider an easement request for the installation of a 4 inch pipeline from Oryx in the amount of \$80,170.00, for a 10 year lease. On motion by Councilmember Tellez and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to approve easement request for the installation for a 4 inch pipeline from Oryx in the amount of \$80,170.00 for a 10 year lease.
6. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER -** Heather Ramirez, Finance Director, presented the Council with the third quarter (Q3) investment report for 2018 for approval. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Baca, the Council voted unanimously to approve the third quarter (Q3) investment report, as presented.
7. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Heather Ramirez, Finance Director, presented the council with the fourth quarter (Q4) investment report for 2018 for approval. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, Council voted unanimously to approve the fourth quarter (Q4) investment report, as presented.

8. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER** – Howdy Lisenbee, Assistant City Manager, asked that the Council consider accepting a quote to install artificial turf at the Splash Park in the amount of \$119,053.87 submitted by ForeverLawn Installation. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Baca, the Council voted unanimously to approve quote to install artificial turf at the Splash Park in the amount of 119,053.87 submitted by ForeverLawn installation, as presented.
9. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Howdy Lisenbee, Assistant City Manager, presented the Council with a bid for installation of fencing at Fairview Cemetery in the amount of \$528,214.00 by Highridge Construction. Mr. Lisenbee also asked for an additional \$25,000 for the owner's contingency, to give room for unforeseen expenses that may pop up. Mr. Matthew Martinez, Highridge representative, stated that the company is looking at a 100 day start to finish timeline. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Baca, the Council voted unanimously to approve the bid offer by Highridge Construction along with the city contingency for a total amount of \$538,214.00 for the installation of fence in at Fairview Cemetery.
10. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, asked the Council to consider entering into an engineering agreement with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper for services related to the design of Lincoln Street for improvements in the amount of \$712,041.00. Mr. Sorensen stated that with the development along the Lincoln Street and Highway 285 there is a dire need for enhancements along Lincoln Street. On motion by Councilmember Tellez and seconded by Councilmember Baca, the Council voted unanimously to approve entering into an Engineering Agreement with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper for services related to the design of Lincoln Street improvements in the amount of \$712,041.00.
11. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER (Moved after executive session, was presented before item #14)** – Seth Sorensen, City Manager, asked that Council consider entering into a Letter of Intent with Lakeland, LLC to explore options for city employee housing. On motion by Councilmember Tellez and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to approve entering into a letter of intent with Lakeland, LLC, as presented.
12. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER RESOLUTION 19-03-01R**– Howdy Lisenbee, Assistant City Manager, presented the Council with Resolution 19-03-01R, a resolution for a reimbursement for work associated with labor on the Pecos Baseball Complex. On motion by Councilmember Tellez and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution 19-03-02R, as presented.
13. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER RESOLUTION 19-03-02R**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, presented the Council with Resolution 19-03-02R, a resolution supporting Bill number TX86RHB 4280, providing a funding mechanism for roadways impacted by oil and gas activities. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution 19-03-02R, as presented.

On Break: 7:22 PM

Back from Break: 7:37PM

Entered Executive Session: 7:38PM

Executive Session under Tex. Gov't Code § 551.071, 551.072, 551.086, 551.087

1. **551.071, 551.086 – Municipally Owned Utility**
 - a. Discuss water and sewer rates for the Reeves County Detention Center

2. **551.071, 551.087 – Economic Development Negotiations**
 - a. Economic Development incentives and financial prospects for property located at or around the Summit 11 Development
3. **551.071, 551.072 – Deliberation regarding real property**
 - a. Baseball Complex
 - b. Sale of City Property located in the downtown
 - c. Purchase of property located in the downtown area

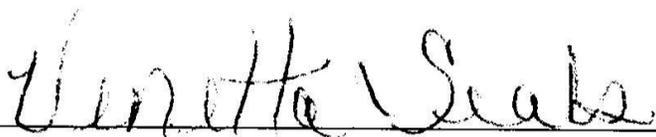
Exited Executive Session: 8:58 PM

Open Executive Session under Tex. Gov't Code § 551.071, 551.072, 551.086, 551.087

14. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER RESOLUTION 19-03-03R**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, presented the Council with Resolution 19-03-03R, a resolution establishing conditional water and sewer rates specific to the Reeves County Detention Center, to be conditional upon the renewal of their 10 year contract. On motion by Councilmember Tellez and seconded by Councilmember Baca, the Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution 19-03-03R, as presented.
15. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, asked that the Council consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into negotiations for Economic Development Incentives for property located at or around the Summit 11 Development. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Baca, the Council voted unanimously to authorizing the City Manager to enter into negotiations for Economic Development Incentives for property located at or around the Summit 11 Development.
16. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, asked that the Council consider the selling of property located at 110 E. 6th Street and authorizing staff to enter into a purchasing contract with the purchasing party. On motion by Councilmember Tellez and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to approve selling of property located at 110 E. 6th Street and authorizing staff to enter into a purchasing contract with the purchasing party.
17. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, asked that the Council consider approving the purchase of property located at 115 W. 3rd Street and authorizing staff to enter into a purchasing contract with the selling party. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Baca, the Council voted unanimously to approve the purchase of property located at 115 W. 3rd and authorizing staff to enter into a purchasing contract with the selling party, as presented.
18. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Gerald Tellez, Council Member, asked that the Council discuss and consider the location of Baseball Complex. Mr. Sorensen, City Manager stated that with the rapid development in Pecos it's recommended that the Council start considering developing a second baseball complex in the developing West Pecos area. Jaime Lares, Pecos Resident, asked if the current ball parks at the park would be getting a facelift. They are in dire need of some fixing up. On motion by Councilmember Baca and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted to authorize the search of a location of a baseball complex or multipurpose facility, as presented.

G. Discuss Items for Next City Council Agenda – City Council
-None

H. Adjournment: 9:20 PM



Venetta Seals, Mayor

Attest:



Syra Nichols, City Secretary