

The Town Council of the Town of Pecos City met in Regular City Council Meeting in the City Council Chambers on February 9, 2017 at 5:30 P.M. with the following present:

Venetta Seals	Mayor
Gerald Tellez	Mayor Pro Tem
Chuck Knudsen	Councilman
Wally Moon	Councilman
Rudy Villegas	Councilman
Arthur Orona	Councilman

Eric Honeyfield	City Manager
Heather Ramirez	Finance Director
Gary Rumbaugh	Public Works Director
Clay McKinney	Chief of Police
Jesus Gomez	MIT

Item A. Mayor Venetta Seals called the February 9, 2017 meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Item B. Invocation by Councilman Tellez

Item C. Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Moon

Item D. Public Comments

Olga Keese, Officer D.A.R.E. Program – Stated the D.A.R.E program is in its 9th year and they are currently working on a cops and kids picnic with second graders and National D.A.R.E day with kindergarten students. Mrs. Keese went on to present three students Anthony, LaToya and Jose who have pledged to be drug free. The three students went on to read essays they wrote which were selected as the top ten essay winners out of 187 entries.

Silvino Urias, Concerned Citizen – Stated he lost his barn back on December 17, 2016, he went on to state that the fire truck arrived without water and then when the truck arrived more water was spilt to the ground than what was used to put out the fire.

Syra Nichols, City Secretary – Stated that the city is currently accepting filings for the elections taking place on May 6, 2017. There are three seats up for re-election which are for four year terms, seats (2), (3) and (5).

Item E. Consent Agenda

On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Villegas the Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; Accounts Payable Report; Overtime Report for PP03; Minutes for Regular City Council Meeting 01-26-2017; Juvenile Probation January 2017 Report

Item F. Non-Consent Agenda

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** Lee Petty, Landscape Architect, presented the Council with a rough draft of ideas of the municipal parks masterplan. The plans included would add a few more baseball fields, 3 playgrounds, dog park, walking trail, larger picnic area, an amphitheater, recreational center and much more. Mr. Petty stated that the presentation was just an idea it can change and he is making changes based on a survey from Pecos residents. The resident can get online to the Town of Pecos City website to take the survey and give feedback. No action taken.

2. **WALKING TRAIL** Arthur Orona, Councilman, stated his concerns were answered during the public hearing on the parks master plan. No action taken.

3. **LAND TRANSFER** Louise Moore, County Commissioner, presented the Council with a mock up plan of three domes the County Commissioners are wanting to place on land the City has transferred over for County use. Mrs. Moore went on to request that the Council grant the transfer of more land for the project in order to place the domes and aesthetics in the desired places. Councilman Knudsen asked in they could just re-design the placement and suggested that the Commissioners and Council should meet so that the two park layout ideas would not conflict with one another. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Villegas, the Council voted unanimously to postpone the item for further information.

4. **ORDINANCE 16-11-02 MANUFACTURED HOUSING COMMUNITIES** Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, presented the council with Ordinance 16-11-02, an ordinance requiring landscape and infrastructure improvements and also limiting multi-use units to C-2 and Industrial Zones. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance 16-11-02.

5. **TEXAS GAS SERVICE** Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, stated the item is not ready to be presented. No action take.

6. **BID AWARD** Chad Tompkins, WTC, Inc., presented the Council with a list of sealed bids for a 600,000 gallon elevated water tank. The bids were as follows 1) Maguire Iron, Inc (\$1,228,878.00), 2) Phoenix Fabricators, Inc. (1,336,927.00), 3) CD&I LLC. (\$1,404,162.00), 4) Caldwell Tanks, Inc. (\$1,561,765.00) and 4) Landmark Structures I, L.P. (\$1,760,000.00). On motion by Councilman Moon and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to grant the award to Maguire Iron, Inc. in the amount of \$1,228,878.00 for the

fabrication of a 600,000 gallon elevated water tank.

7. **PEDC** Kenneth Winkles, PEDC Director, requested that the Council grant the transfer of land and structures belonging to the City for possible retail, office complex or other use to be determined at a later time:

1. 111 S. Cedar, Lot 5 and 6, Original Town of Pecos
2. Corner of 2nd and Plum St.

On motion by Councilman Orona and seconded by Councilman Villegas, the council voted unanimously to transfer the requested land and structures to the Pecos Economic Development Corporation.

8. **PEDC** Kenneth Winkles, PEDC Director, presented the council with an annual audit report for the 2015-2016 year of the PEDC as performed by Doak Painter, CPA and required by law. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to approve the 2015-2016 annual audit report for the PEDC as presented.

9. **GAS FRANCHISE ORDINANCE** Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, stated the item is not ready to be presented. No action take.

10. **QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT** Heather Ramirez, Director of Finance, presented the Council with the City Quarterly Investment Report for the 4th quarter of 2016. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the city quarterly investment report for the 4th quarter as presented.

11. **DISUSSION** Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, stated the item was now irrelevant due to the passing of Ordinance 16-11-02. No Action Taken

12. **CONTRACT** Woody Woodside, ITM, presented the Council with a contract requesting permission to conduct 3-D geophysical survey on lands which the Town of Pecos City is the acting agent in charge, with a payment of \$29,442.16. With discussion between the Council it was agreed that Mr. Woodside would pay a lump sum of \$30,000 to the Town of Pecos City to conduct the surveys. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Villegas, the Council voted unanimously to approve the contract presented by Woody Woodside of ITM allowing the company to conduct 3-D geophysical surveys for a fee of \$30,000.

13. **CONTRACT** Clay McKinney, Chief of Police, presented the Council with a contract with Summerill, LLC to assist the City of Pecos in submitting and negotiating a new federal per diem rate per inmate. The new proposed rate will up the per diem price per inmate to \$74.00 an inmate which is a \$32,000 increase a year. On motion by Councilman Villegas and seconded by

Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the contract with the Summerill Group, LLC.

14. **TIRZ – TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE** John Kennon, Alpha Omega Development presented the Council with a letter of intent with Alpha Omega Development. The letter of intent request that the City of Pecos participate in the utilization of a tax increment reinvestment tool with the possibility of increasing funds for future city projects. To utilize the TIRZ tool you would usually require payments from the City but in this instance the County and Hospital District have agreed to pay the requested payment fees. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the letter of intent with Alpha Omega Development.

15. **ELECTIONS** Syra Nichols, City Secretary, presented the council with the Order of Elections calling the general election to be held on May 6, 2017 to elect council member seats (2), (3) and (5) for 4 year terms, last day to apply for ballots by mail is April 25, 2017. On motion by Councilman Villegas and seconded by Councilman Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to approve the Notice of Elections.

16. **AMBULANCE SERVICE** Eric Honeyfield, City Manager presented the Council with the option to cancel the \$25,000 contract of ambulance service to Loving County. Mr. Honeyfield stated it is a liability and unfair to city residents to be inconvenienced by the ambulance being out on emergency runs to Loving County for hours at a time leaving the citizens of Pecos without an ambulance in case of emergency. On motion by Councilman Moon and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the cancellation of the \$25,000 contract of ambulance service to Loving County.

Item G. Discuss items for Next City Council Agenda

1. Texas Gas Service
2. Gas Franchise Ordinance

On Break: 8:53pm

Break Over: 9:06pm

Entered Executive Session: 9:07PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.074

1. Discuss/Consider Personnel-Fire Chief
2. Real Property- Deliberation regarding the purchase/exchange/lease or value of real property PEDC.

Exited Executive Session: 9:44pm

OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.074

1. Personnel-Fire Chief *no action taken*

2. Real Property- Deliberation regarding the purchase/exchange/lease or value of real property PEDC. *No action taken*

Item J. Adjourned at 9:45pm

Attest:

Syra Nichols, City Secretary

Venetta Seals, Mayor