

The Town Council of the Town of Pecos City met in Regular City Council Meeting in the City Council Chambers on April 27, 2017 at 5:30 P.M. with the following present:

Venetta Seals	Mayor
Gerald Tellez	Mayor Pro Tem
Chuck Knudsen	Councilman
Wally Moon	Councilman
Arthur Orona	Councilman
Eric Honeyfield	City Manager
Heather Ramirez	Finance Director
Holly Jarocki	Code Enforcement
Gary Rumbaugh	Public Works Director
Syndi Fuentez	Permit Director
Clay McKinney	Chief of Police
Jesus Gomez	MIS

Item A. Mayor Venetta Seals called the April 27, 2017 meeting to order at 5:30 pm. *Councilman Villegas was not present for the meeting.*

Item B. Invocation by Councilman Orona

Item C. Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Knudsen

Item D. Public Comments

Gary Rumbaugh, Public Work's Director, TX Dot,

Clay McKinney, Chief of Police, stated that the Pecos Animal Clinic would be hosting their annual rabies clinic on Saturday, April 29, 2017. The Animal Control Officer would also be present at the clinic registering pets.

Item E. Consent Agenda

On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; Accounts Payable Report; Overtime Report for PP09; Minutes of regular City Council Meeting on 04-18-2017.

Item F. Non-Consent Agenda

1. **BIG BEND LAW CONTRACT**

2. **UPDATE COLGATE DRILLING PLANS** Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, stated that plans are not ready to be presented and requested that the item be postponed for the next Council meeting. No action taken.

3. **ORDINANCE 17-04-03 GAS FRANCHISE** Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, presented the Council with the second reading of Ordinance 17-04-03, an ordinance enacting a 25 year franchise contract with One Gas, INC. One of the stipulations discussed was the closure of the gas services office, Councilman Tellez stated it is not fair to ask resident's to pay a convince fee on top of their bill if they have fixed incomes, it was stated that the convenience fee would be a dollar difference. On motion by Councilman Orona and seconded by Councilman Knudsen, with Councilman Tellez abstaining, the Council voted with majority vote of 3:1 approving the second reading of Ordinance 14-04-03.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING** Syndi Fuentez, Permits Director, presented the public with a zone change a request made by Mirella Rodriguez to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a zoning change from R-2 (Two Family Residence District) to C-1 (Local Retail District) on the property legally described as Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Block 8 M&C Company's re-plat of Bankhead Addition, an addition to the Town of Pecos City, Reeves County, Texas. No public comments or objections were made.

5. **PLANNING AND ZONING RECOMMENDATION** Syndi Fuentez, Permits Director, presented the Council with a zone change a request made by Mirella Rodriguez to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a zoning change from R-2 (Two Family Residence District) to C-1 (Local Retail District) on the property legally described as Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Block 8 M&C Company's re-plat of Bankhead Addition, an addition to the Town of Pecos City, Reeves County, Texas. Mrs. Fuentez stated that there had been no opposition or comments before the planning and zoning board and it was recommended that the zone change be approved. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the zone change for the property legally described as Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Block 8 M&C Company's re-plat of Bankhead Addition

6. **PRESENTATION** – Holly Jarocki, Code Enforcement, presented the council with a list of 10 businesses that were inspected. Ten (10) passed with a score of 90 or better.

7. **DILAPIDATED PROPERTIES** Holly Jarocki, Code Enforcement, presented the Council with a list of dilapidated properties. No action taken.

HS Residence 909 S Ash Acres: 0.132, LT 3 BLK 21 COLPECOS ARMENDARIZ ESTEBAN AND ORTEGA MODESTA R \$ 850.98

HS Residence 1009 E 4th Acres: 0.072, LT 5 BLK 4 NPPECOS MARTINEZ MARIA \$0.00

HS Residence 301 E 8th Acres: 0.198, ALL LT 7 & S/2 LT 8 BLK 102ORIG PECOS NUNEZ ESPERANZA HOPE – RLE \$0.00

Garage/Shed 514 S Park Acres: 0.258, N40 OF LT 4 & S50 OF LT 5BLK 45 WP PECOS FLORES MARIA ELENA \$0.00
 HS Residence 817 S Walnut Acres: 0.129, LT 3 BLK 3 COLPECOS LARA EULOGIA MRS \$0.94 Residence 522 Pine Street Acres: 0.041, S 75 LT 15 BLK 16 BHPECOS DOMINGUEZ MANUEL G ETUX EST \$7,375.41
 Residence 1027 Martinez Acres: 0.126, LT 15 BLK 3 MARTINEZPECOS EVIGAIL NAVARRETE \$0.00
 Residence 702 E 8th Acres: 0.152, W/2 LT 2 BLK 128 ORIGPECOS CASTELLANO MARY BELL \$1,436.38
 HS Residence 102 S Park Acres: 0.264, LTS 11-12 BLK 7 WPPECOS CONTRERAS PILAR M III \$0.00
 Residence 408 S Locust Acres: 0.132, S 1/2 LT 5 BLK 48 ORIGPECOS HERRERA ARNALDO R \$1,116.83
 Residence 418/420 Vernon Acres: 0.320, S/91 OF LTS 6, 7, 8 & E/5 OFLT 8 BLK 2 BEL SERRANO TEODORO & CARMEN SERRANO \$1,325.02 Shed 502 S Sycamore Acres: 0.132, LT 12 BLK 58 ORIGPECOS SALGADO RICARDO T \$42.05
 Residence 615 S Orange Acres: 0.132, LT 4 BLK 90 ORIGPECOS RODRIGUEZ PABLO \$1,985.84 Shed 719 S Ash Acres: 0.132, LOT 5 BLK 103 ORIGPECOS GUTIERREZ KAREN \$0.00 Shed 723 S Ash Acres: 0.132, LT 6 BLK 103 ORIGPECOS MARQUEZ FRANCES V \$0.00 Shed 801 S Pecan Acres: 0.074, E/2 OF N56 LOT 1 BLK 125ORIGINAL PECOS DOMINGUEZ BENJAMIN P \$0.00
 Shed 901 S Plum Acres: 0.215, LT 1 & N 25 LT 2 BLK 13 COLPECOS MIRAMONTES GERARDO \$0.00
 HS Residence 1242 E 4th Acres: 0.172, LT 3-4 BLK 13 BHPECOS MATA PAULA BEJARANO \$2,069.03
 Residence 1257 Martinez Acres: 0.126, LT 29 BLK 3 MARTINEZPECOS LUNA CRUZELDA \$550.61
 Residence 1600 S Hackberry Acres 0.297, N/2 LT 7 & LT 8 BLK 17 ALHPECOS PENA JOSE O ETUX GUADALUPE V \$0.00
 Residence 1829 Adams Acres: 0.126, LT 20 BLK 3 MVPECOS STOYKA MICHAEL J \$19.12 Commercial 2323 Toliver Acres: 1.840, Blk: 5, Tract: 16, AB 2687 BLK 5 SEC 16H&GN SALGADO JAIME J ETUX ROMELIA N \$0.00

8. ORDINANCE 17-04-02 ANIMAL CONTROL Clay McKinney, Chief of Police, presented the Council with the second reading of Ordinance 17-04-02, an ordinance repealing and replacing chapter 10 of the city code of ordinances. January Zermeno, ACO, stated that owners must have a breeder license in order to advertise animals for sale. That change sparked a discussion amongst the Council with disagreements towards the change's being made. Mr. McKinney stated that there had been a lot of inquiries about the updated ordinance and understands that it will take time for residents to get accustomed to the changes. Mayor Seals stated she has been approached with questions as well such as: How will the ordinance be enforced? How and will animals be grandfathered in? Will the animals be required to be registered with Animal Control? On motion by Councilman Orona and seconded by Councilman Knudsen the Council voted unanimously to postpone the second reading to Ordinance 17-04-02, for changes and further information.

9. ORDINANCE 17-03-03 COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPING Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, presented the Council with second reading of Ordinance 17-03-03 a landscaping ordinance amending city code to require landscaping and set architectural standards for commercial buildings. On motion by councilman Moon and seconded by Councilman Knudsen, the Council voted unanimously to approve the second reading of Ordinance 17-03-03.

10. ORDINANCE 17-04-01 CITY CODE Syra Nichols, City Secretary, presented the Council

With the second reading of Ordinance 17-04-01, an ordinance adopting and enacting a new code of ordinances for the Town of Pecos City. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to approve the second reading of Ordinance 17-04-01.

11. ORDINANCE 17-04-04 PEDDLERS Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, presented the Council with the first reading of Ordinance 17-04-04, an ordinance amending chapter 48 of the Code of Ordinances. When reviewed by the Council it was discussed as still needing to make some updates. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve to postpone the first reading of Ordinance 17-04-04, for add information.

12. PEDC FUNDING ASSISTANCE Kenneth Russel, PEDC Executive Director, asked the Council if they would consider funding 25 percent of the cost to complete Canon Street for curb appeal for future prospects. Councilman Moon asked why anyone purchasing the land could not fund the cost of street. Mr. Winkles stated he feels more prospects will come if the street is completed beforehand. No action taken.

13. QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT Heather Ramirez, Finance Director, presented the Council with first quarterly investment report for 2017. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the quarterly investment report for 2017 first quarter as presented.

14. UPDATE Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, stated that the progress on the seventh street road project is progress just the same since the previous update. The project is on schedule, they are currently waiting on hot mix to complete the project, which should not take more than a day. No action taken.

15. UPDATE ON SPEED LIMIT SIGNS Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, updated the Council with the status of the new speed limit signs. Mr. Rumbaugh stated all the speed limit sign changes previously discussed have been replaced. No action taken.

16. UPDATE ON COMMERCIAL VEHICLES Clay McKinney, Chief of Police, updated the Council with the progress on enforcing the restriction of commercial vehicle parking in residential areas. Mr. McKinney stated that the City Secretary has sent out letters reminding residents of the parking restriction and police have been issuing warnings to also remind residents as a courtesy. No action taken.

17. PERSONNEL RULES Heather Ramirez, Finance Director, and Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, presented the Council with amendments to the Employee Personnel Handbook, which was previously approved by Council. The amending changes are to paid time off (PTO) to be more transparent and for random drug testing to match the Texas Code. Mr. Honeyfield also

presented the Council with a safety incentive for a \$100 bonus at the end of the year, the incentive would not have to be \$100 it could be whatever the Council feels is just. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to approve amendment to the Employee Personnel Handbooks and Safety Incentive.

18. WATER TOWER LEASE AGREEMENT Jesus Gomez, MIS, presented the Council with lease agreements from Verizon, Delcom and Rural Texas Broadband. There was nothing on paper that the Council could look at, Council requested documentation. No action taken.

19. RESOLUTION 17-04-03 ANNUAL BUDGET Heather Ramirez, Finance Director, presented Council with Resolution 17-04-03, a resolution approving budget amendments to the 2016-2017 Town of Pecos City Annual Budget. The amendments of the budget for the purchase of a firetruck, splash pad and vehicle repairs for hail damage. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution 17-04-03, amending the 2016-2017 annual budget.

20. UPDATE Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, stated on the advice of TML it was best not to discuss insurance matters publically at a Council meeting. Mr. Honeyfield went on to explain that in previous years the Assembly of God Church has made claim for sewage back up into their church at the fault of the City. Insurance claims were made and denied by TML insurance, Mr. Honeyfield went on to offer \$5,000 to the church for repair which they did not accept.

Item G. Discuss items for Next City Council Agenda

1. Ord. 17-04-02 Animal Ordinance
2. Ord. 17-04-04 Peddlers Ordinance
3. Water Tower Lease Agreement
4. Jumping Balloons
5. Railroad Crossings
6. Shipping Containers

Item J. Adjourned at 7:49pm

Attest:

Syra Nichols, City Secretary

Venetta Seals, Mayor