

The Town Council of the Town of Pecos City met in Regular City Council Meeting in the City Council Chambers on January 8, 2015, at 5:30 P.M. with the following present:

Venetta Seals	Mayor
Gerald Tellez	Mayor Pro-Tem
Wally Moon	Councilman
Alfredo Saldana	Councilman
Chuck Knudsen	Councilman
Rudy Villegas	Councilman
Eric Honeyfield	City Manager
Deandra Anchondo	Administrative Assistant
Trent Graham	City Attorney
Jonathan Fuentes	Finance Director
Clay McKinney	Police Chief
Gary Rumbaugh	Public Works Director
Jesus Silva	Assistant Public Works Director
Isabelle de Brouwer	Airport Manager
Conchita Hernandez	Community Development Director

Item A. Mayor Venetta Seals called the January 8, 2015 meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Item B. Invocation by Councilman Alfredo Saldana

Item C. Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Chuck Knudsen

Item D. Public Comments.

Debbie Thomas, Main Street Director announced Pecos Trails Partners Event will be next Thursday January 15, 2015 from 10am – 2pm. Jonathan Fuentes, Finance Director voiced his concern that Bill Oglesby PEDC Director advised him about mailing scams going around town notifying residents about help with finances and wants everyone in town to be aware of this. Mayor Venetta Seals advised there will be a Hotel Occupancy Tax Meeting on January 21, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. regarding the Ball Field Project.

Item E. Consent Agenda

On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Saldana and with Councilman Villegas abstaining from the Accounts Payable Report NAPA items on pages (\$1779.43), and pages 33 (\$1252.86), the Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented: Minutes to Emergency City Council Meeting for October 6, 2014, Minutes to Regular City Council Meeting for October 9, 2014, Minutes to Regular City Council Meeting for October 23, 2014, Minutes to Regular City Council Meeting for November 13, 2014, Minutes to Regular City Council Meeting for November 20, 2014, Minutes to Regular City Council Meeting for December 11, 2014, Minutes to Regular City Council Meeting for December 18, 2014, Monthly Municipal Airport Report for December 18, 2014, Overtime Report, and the Accounts Payable Report.

#### Item F. Presentations

1. Fire Marshal Jack Brookshire, gave an update on 15 Condemned Properties considered Fire/Health & Safety Hazards. He explained the condemnation process and also the foreclosures on liens. Brookshire stated he foresees the demolition to the properties presented should begin the 1<sup>st</sup> of March.

2. Fire Marshal Jack Brookshire updated Council on health inspections, advising that one that failed inspection and was closed but reopened in two days. He informed that inspections have done really well and a lot of businesses are in step with being in compliance with city ordinances. Mayor Seals asked about enforcing the grease trap ordinance. He advised it is being enforced and that businesses without one have been given a certain amount of time to take care of this situation.

3. Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, had Ramon Carrasco with Kleinman Consultants give an update on Phase 1 City Wide Water and Sewer Replacement. He presented a time frame on the project and also informed that an agreement should be finalized sometime next week and a proposal should be ready for bids in 90 days.

#### Item G. Ordinances

1. Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, read the second reading to Ordinance No. 14-12-01. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Villegas, the Council voted unanimously to approve an Ordinance No. 14-12-01, an Ordinance of the Town of Pecos City Texas, Amending Ordinance 13-08-03, Requiring Paved Parking Lots in commercial Areas Along Third Street and State Road 285 in Certain Instances and Providing for an Effective Date, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading.

2. Eric Honeyfield, City Manager, read the second reading to Ordinance No. 14-12-02. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Saldana, the Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance No. 14-12-02, an Ordinance of the Town of Pecos City Combining the Planning and Zoning Board with the Board of Adjustment and Providing an Effective Date, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading.

#### Item H. Resolutions

1. Jonathan Fuentes, Finance Director, presented No. 15-01-01R, A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Use Surplus Budget Funds from FY 2014 to Purchase Housing for Key Staff, Asbestos Abatement on Demolished Structures, Dumpsters, a Forklift, and a Tandem Dump Truck in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,400,000. He voiced his concern on how the city is having to rent equipment, and due to equipment not being available, personnel cannot proceed with scheduled projects or complete them on time. He advised in order to be prepared for future projects that we have coming up in the near future, it is really important to purchase the Dump Truck and Forklift. The City is also in need of purchasing dumpsters. Clay McKinney, Chief of Police, expressed to the council how beneficial the duplexes would be when recruiting, to make sure housing is also available for our public servants. On motion by Councilman Tellez and seconded by Councilman Villegas with Councilman Moon opposing, the Council voted 4-1 on the Resolution.

Item I. Discuss/Consider

1. Conchita Hernandez, Community Development Director presented to council to Discuss/Consider the Appointment of a Ball Field Committee. Councilman Saldana explained as to why these individuals had been selected for the committee. This committee will advise the Hotel Occupancy Tax Committee and Council on how the baseball field should be designed. He discussed that the Committee will announce where and when they will meet. Mayor Seals voiced her concern on creating by-laws for this committee. City Attorney Trent Graham advised the committee would be subject to the Open Meetings Act. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Moon, with the correction of Alvaro Herrera on the Ball Field Committee, the Council voted unanimously to approve the Ball Field Committee.

Item J. The Council discussed items for the next City Council meeting, including update on the backhoe repairs. Gary Rumbaugh advised they had received a quote on \$20,000 to have it repaired. Councilman Knudsen requested an update on information for alley improvements.

Break at 6:54 PM

Return from break at 7:02 PM

***At 7:02 pm the Mayor Declared Entering into Executive Session: Government Code Section, 551.072***

*1. Discuss/Consider the purchase of real property located at 1301 S. Iowa Street in the amount of \$182,000 – Eric Honeyfield, City Manager*

***At 7:28 pm the Mayor declared coming back into Open Executive Session under Government Code Section 551.072***

*1. On motion by Councilman Knudsen and seconded by Councilman Saldana, the Council voted unanimously to approve the purchase of real property located at 1301 S. Iowa Street in the amount of \$182,000.*

K. Adjourned at 7:29 PM

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Venetta Seals, Mayor

Attest:

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Administrative Assistant

