

MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING - MINEOLA CITY HALL
MAY 20, 2019, 5:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor Kevin White, Council Members Jayne Lankford, Sue Jones, Mitchell Tuck, Polly Jones and Greg Hollen

MEMBERS ABSENT Novada Bigham

STAFF PRESENT Mercy Rushing, Cindy Karch, William Crump, David Madsen, Doris Newman, Charles Bittner, Curt Myers, Sherry Vann and Lynn Kitchens

OTHERS PRESENT Hank Murphy, Wood County Monitor, Denise Hurst, Roxie White, Wayne White, Kim Tunnell, Charlene Hill, David Sauer, Bill Self, Kerry Van Cleave, Angie Traynham, Luke Blackwell, Sonya Kratzmeyer, Jarod Kratzmeyer, Abeni Kratzmeyer, Shayla Kratzmeyer and Elijah Kratzmeyer

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and confirmed a quorum of the council was present.

Invocation led by Mitchell Tuck and Pledge of Allegiance lead by Greg Hollen

CITIZEN COMMENT

Council Member Greg Hollen thanked city staff, and Mineola ISD seniors and Staff for their help planting trees at the Iron Horse Square.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Presentation of a proclamation recognizing May, 2019 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

Mayor White presented the proclamation.

2. Abeni Kratzmeyer, State Champion 3A Pole Vaulting

Mayor White presented the proclamation to Abeni Kratzmeyer and congratulated her on her accomplishment.

INCOMING COUNCIL – ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE

City Secretary Cindy Karch administered the oath of office to Kevin White, Mayor, Polly Jones, Alderman Ward 1, Greg Hollen, Alderman Ward 2, and Mitchell Tuck, Alderman Ward 3.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Consider approval of minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on April 22, 2019.
4. Consider approval of the Financial Statement for the month of April, 2019.
5. Consider approval of the Monthly Investment Report for the month of April, 2019.
6. Consider approval of the Monthly Department Head Reports for the month of April, 2019. (Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, Fire, Police, Main Street, Marketing, Street, Water, Wastewater)

Council Member Sue Jones made the motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jayne Lankford and carried by a unanimous show of hands.

DISCUSSION ON ACTION ITEMS, PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 7. Discuss and consider action on final acceptance of Project MN.160, Utility Infrastructure Improvements for Sanderson Farms, and to approve the contractor's final pay estimate with retainage reduced to 0%. Final payment amount is \$58,971.59.**

A motion was made by Council Member Greg Hollen and seconded by Council Member Polly Jones to accept the project. There being no further discussion, the motion carried by a unanimous show of hands.

- 8. Discuss and consider action on ordinance number 19-05-20-1 providing for a stop sign controlling traffic on South Johnson Street at the intersection of Front Street.**

A motion was made by Council Member Polly Jones and seconded by Council Member Sue Jones to adopt ordinance 19-05-20-1. There being no further discussion, the motion carried by a unanimous show of hands.

- 9. Discuss and consider action on ordinance number 19-05-20-2 providing for a 25 mile per hour speed limit on Front Street from Pacific Street to South Street.**

A motion was made by Council Member Sue Jones and seconded by Council Member Greg Hollen to adopt ordinance 19-05-20-2. There being no further discussion, the motion carried by a unanimous show of hands.

- 10. Discuss and consider action on a tax deed, high bid received for resale property as follows; Lot 10, Blk 284, Mineola Townsites, Second Vacant Lot off of Simonek Road on Lowe St.**

A motion was made by Council Member Mitchell Tuck and seconded by Council Member Sue Jones to accept the bid. There being no further discussion, the motion carried by a unanimous show of hands.

- 11. Discuss and consider action on a tax deed, high bid received for resale property as follows; Lot 1, Blk 35, Mineola Townsites, Second Vacant Lot from Giraud Street, located on Freeman Street.**

A motion was made by Council Member Polly Jones and seconded by Council Member Sue Jones to accept the bid. There being no further discussion, the motion carried by a unanimous show of hands.

- 12. Discuss and consider any possible action on broken sewer line at US Hwy 69 South and Loop 564, per TCEQ and/or engineering recommendations.**

City Manager Mercy Rushing and Public Works Director William Crump presented the council with information regarding the recent sewer line break due to heavy rains and flooding. As this is an emergency, council approval is not required and engineering has already begun. The city has enough funds on reserve to cover most if not all of the repairs.

No action was taken on the item.

- 13. Executive Session:** The City Council will now convene into a closed meeting on May 20, 2019 at 6:11 p.m. to deliberate regarding economic development negotiations as authorized by Government Code, Chapter 551.087, and Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations to purchase, exchange,

receive, or lease of real properties; as authorized by Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, Deliberations about Real Properties.

The City Council will now convene into open session at 7:15 p.m.

14. Hold a Public Hearing to receive comments regarding purchase of property by the Mineola Economic Development Corporation of real property, Lot 4D, 4A PT Blk 5; Lot 5, 6 Blk 5; Lot 7-10 Block 5, Mineola Townsites.

Mayor White opened the public hearing. There being no citizens present for comment, the hearing was closed.

15. Discuss and consider action to approve Mineola EDC to purchase Lot 4D, 4A PT Blk 5; Lot 5, 6 Blk 5; Lot 7-10 Block 5, Mineola Townsites.

A motion was made by Council Member Polly Jones and seconded by Council Member Sue Jones to authorize Mineola EDC to purchase the property. There being no further discussion, the motion carried by a unanimous show of hands.

16. Mayor Comments – regarding matters appearing on the agenda; recognition of community members, city employees, and upcoming events; inquiry of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policies.

Mayor looks forward to working with the new council for another year. Mayor thanked Sue, Lynn and Cindy for their help with the volunteer luncheon.

17. City Manager Briefing

The employee picnic at the Rodeo grounds was rescheduled to June 5th at noon due to rain. Mayor and council are invited as well. City hall will be closed on Memorial Day and reminder about the city council workshop on either the 17th or 21st. Mayor asked Mercy to update the council on the Fireworks Fundraiser. She said she started the week with \$1,025, then received \$400 from Wood County Electric, \$200 from Kemp Meek Manufacturing, \$100 from Crenshaw Car wash and \$25 from Janice Wisner. Cindy said they were at 33% of their goal the last time she checked.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items for consideration, a motion to adjourn was made and the meeting adjourned.

Kevin White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Karch, City Secretary