

JUNE 09, 2003

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KINGSVILLE, TEXAS WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 09, 2003 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE HONORABLE ROBERT H. ALCORN COMMISSION CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 200 EAST KLEBERG AVENUE.

CITY COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Horacio "Hoss" Castillo, City Commissioner / Mayor Pro Tem
Al Garcia, City Commissioner
Arturo Pecos, City Commissioner
Charles E. Wilson, City Commissioner

CITY COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:

Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr., Mayor

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

John A. Garcia, Interim City Manager
Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney
Stanley Fees, City Engineer
Vilma Castillo, Director of Collections
Caron Vela, Accountant
Sammy Maldonado, Public Works Director
Dora Byington, Purchasing Director
Jennifer Detloff, Dir. Of Development Services
Dianne Leubert, Recycling Supervisor
Diana Gonzalez, Human Resource Director
Anthony Noyola, Health Dept. Director
Art Alvarez, Risk Manager
Barry Blackstock, Police Officer

I. PRELIMINARY PROCEEDINGS.

OPEN MEETING

The meeting was opened at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor ProTem Hoss Castillo.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – (Mayor Esquivel)

Mayor ProTem asked Dora Byington to lead everyone in prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance lead by Commissioner Pecos and the pledge to the Texas flag was lead by Commissioner Wilson.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) – Required by Law

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Pecos to approve the minutes of May 27, 2003 as printed. Motion carried, 4/0.

II. PUBLIC HEARING - (REQUIRED BY LAW).¹

None.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS.³

None.

IV. PETITIONS, GRIEVANCES, AND PRESENTATIONS.²

1. Follow-up presentation on prospective Animal Control Advisory Committee by Teresa Mayorga. (Interim City Manager).

Ms. Teresa Mayorga presented the Commission with a draft of proposed bylaws for the proposed Animal Control Advisory Committee. Several issues were discussed that needed to be included in the bylaws, including whether the City/County Health Board has the authority to appoint a subcommittee. Commission members praised Ms. Mayorga for her efforts. Mr. A. L. Noyola, Health Director discussed his concerns and answered questions concerning the current City/County Health Board, members, meetings, and attendance of meetings. He also gave a report on the total number of animals euthanized this year and the cost associated with the methods used.

2. Presentation of Kleberg County Parks and Recreation summer activities by Susan Ivy. (Mayor Esquivel).

Ms. Susan Ivy, Parks Director, provided copies of the 2003 summer youth activity books which were distributed to all children in the KISD and surrounding districts. She gave an overview of all the programs available for the youth to participate in. Ms. Ivy stated she will be coming before them with an action item at the next meeting to present a request to purchase equipment for the skate park. She stated County Commissioner Lomas has offered to complete the concrete job on the property located at Precinct 4.

3. Interim City Manager's Report. (Interim City Manager).

At the request of John Garcia, Interim City Manager, the city engineer updated the Commission on the status of Second Street and Ailsie Street. Mr. Fees stated the construction plans for Ailsie Street are finished and are going out for bids tomorrow. The Second Street storm sewer repair plans are still being worked on and should be finished by the end of the week. Mr. Garcia informed the Commission he will be out of town on Thursday and Friday of this week and the assistant city manager will be in charge.

4. City Attorney's Report. (City Attorney).

Mrs. Courtney Alvarez stated she will also be out of town on Thursday and Friday attending the annual Texas City Attorney's conference in South Padre.

5. Mayor and City Commissioner's Reports. (City Commission).

Commissioner Wilson asked Mr. Noyola to look into an on-going complaint about animals (dogs) running wild in the Second Street and Huisache area. Commissioner Wilson suggested developing a program to work with a local veterinarian on a contract basis to tranquilize animals when all other methods are exhausted.

Commissioner Garcia asked about the status of the city secretary position and the salary. He expressed concern about the starting salary and its affect on the line item budget. Mr. John Garcia stated Ms. Ramirez was officially named city secretary as of June 2, 2003 and her salary is within the pay range and the guidelines, and stated he would get back to him with that information.

V. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY COMMISSIONERS.⁴

1. Consider approval of final plat of Eddie Yaklin Development Subdivision. (Director of Development Services).

Ms. Detloff presented the Commission with a preliminary and final plat copy of the Eddie Yaklin Development Subdivision. She stated the Planning and Zoning Commission voted unanimously in favor of approval of both the preliminary and final plats. Ms. Detloff recommended approval.

Commissioner Wilson noted before filing, the final plat should be corrected to read Sen. Carlos Truan Boulevard instead of Angle Road. Mayor ProTem Castillo asked if TxDOT approved the proposed driveway on General Cavazos (only 200' of frontage) to which Ms. Detloff responded they had already looked at it and it was not a problem.

A motion was made by Commission Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to approve the final plat of Eddie Yaklin Development. Motion carried, 4/0.

2. Consider resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services for the purpose of requesting grant funding in the amount of \$39,913.00 for the Homeland Security Overtime Program for the Kingsville Police Department with a cash match of \$13,305.00. (Chief of Police).

Lt. Barry Blackstock gave the Commission a brief overview stating approval of this item will authorize the police department to submit an application for homeland security overtime monies through the U. S. Department of Justice for anti-terrorism activities, the prevention of drug activities, and the prevention of violent acts. The city is requesting a grant of \$39,913 and will provide a cash match of 25% equal to \$13,305.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Pecos to approve the resolution was requested by staff. Motion carried, 4/0.

3. Consider resolution opposing Texas Senate Bill No. 315 to expand the taxing district for Del Mar College to Kleberg, Aransas, Kenedy, San Patricio and part of Nueces Counties. (Commissioner Castillo).

Mayor ProTem Castillo stated he is very concerned about Senate Bill No. 315 which was passed by both the Senate and the House

of Representatives. This bill would impose unfair taxation on the citizens of Kleberg County. Commissioner Wilson encouraged everyone to contact those who represent us, including the governor, asking him (Governor Perry) to veto the bill. Mayor ProTem Castillo stated he would like to amend the "Resolve" section to specifically ask that Governor Perry veto the bill.

A roll call vote of the Commission was unanimous to approve the resolution to oppose Texas Senate Bill No. 315 with the amendment made by Mayor ProTem Castillo. Motion carried, 4/0.

VI. ADJOURNMENT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Pecos to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Horacio "Hoss" Castillo, Mayor Pro Tem


ATTEST:

Irene Ramirez, City Secretary

PRESENTED and ADOPTED by the Kingsville City Commission on this 12th day of April, 2004.

Charles E Wilson, Presiding Officer

ATTEST:



Edna S Lopez, Interim City Secretary