

MINUTES SEALY CITY COUNCIL 415 MAIN STREET SEALY, TX 77474 MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2018 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Whitehead called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Whitehead asked that everyone join in reciting the Lord's Prayer. Mayor Whitehead led the Pledges of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum.

Present:

Janice Whitehead

Mayor

Dee Anne Lerma

Councilmember, Place 1 Councilmember, Place 2

Chris Noack Sandra Vrablec

Councilmember, Place 3/Mayor Pro tem

Jennifer Sullivan

Councilmember, Place 4

Larry Koy John Hinze Councilmember, Place 5 Councilmember, Place 6

A quorum was declared present.

Staff attending:

Lloyd Merrell, City Manager
Dayl Cooksey, City Secretary
Warren Escovy, Asst. City Manager
Jay Reeves, Chief of Police
Mark Pulos, Public Works Director
Lawrence Siska, Director of Street, Drainage, Parks
Tim Kirwin, City Attorney

4. Discussion and possible action to approve the agenda.

Councilwoman Vrablec moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilwoman Lerma seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

5. Proclamations and Special Recognitions

None

6. Petition(s) and/or Request(s) from the Public.

None

7. CONSENT AGENDA

 Discussion and possible action regarding approval of minutes for the following meeting held September 25, 2018.

Councilwoman Sullivan moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Vrablec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

8. Discussion and possible action to consider a variance from Sec. 87-35(b), Sealy Code of Ordinances, to allow a 45 foot ROW instead of instead of a 60 foot ROW, as required.

Councilwoman Lerma moved to approve a variance from Sec. 87-35(b), Sealy Code of Ordinances, to allow a 45 foot ROW instead of a 60 foot ROW, as required at 802 Fowlkes Street. Councilwoman Sullivan seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

9. Discussion and possible action to consider a variance from Sec. 28-10(a), Sealy Code of Ordinances, to allow a 20 foot building line instead of the required 25 foot.

Councilwoman Lerma moved to approve a variance from Sec. 28-10(a), Sealy Code of Ordinances, to allow a 20 foot building line instead of the required 25 foot building line at 610 Ward Street. Councilwoman Sullivan seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

10. Discussion and possible action to consider a variance from Sec. 28-12(b) to allow True Grid surface for a driveway instead of asphalt of concrete for 610 Ward Street.

Councilman Hinze moved to approve a variance from Sec. 28-12(b) to allow True Grid surface for a driveway instead of asphalt or concrete for 610 Ward Street. Councilman Koy seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

11. Sealy Chamber of Commerce and Visitor and Convention Center quarterly report.

Councilwoman Sullivan moved to table this item until the next regular meeting. Councilwoman Vrablec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

12. Discussion and possible action regarding the monument sign on Main Street on the west side of Highway 36.

Councilman Noack moved to remove the monument sign on the west side of Highway 36, on Main Street, once the insurance money is received. Councilman Hinze seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: Whitehead, Lerma

The motion carried.

13. Discussion and possible action regarding City Council meeting dates for the months of October, November, and December.

Councilwoman Sullivan moved to hold special meetings on October 24, 2018 and December 12, 2018, and cancel the regular meeting on December 25, 2018. Councilwoman Vrablec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

14. Request(s) for future agenda items and comment(s).

Councilman Hinze

• He requested that the engineers attend the meeting to discuss the drainage manual.

Councilman Koy

- He requested that the presentation by the Chamber of Commerce and the Sealy Community Foundation be placed on the next agenda.
- He requested an agenda item to discuss the purchase of a piece of land at Scranton

 Park
- He thanked the police department and all involved with National Night Out.

Councilwoman Sullivan

- She requested an agenda item concerning an agreement with Sealy ISD concerning mowing and limb removal.
- She requested a workshop to update the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual.
- She requested and agenda item concerning the Westview Terrace drainage issue.
- She requested an executive session.

Councilwoman Vrablec

None

Councilman Noack

 He requested an agenda item to discuss and receive an update on the Sealy Economic Development Corporation.

Councilwoman Lerma

• She thanked the police department, city staff, Christian City and all other participants for their hard work in National Night Out.

Mayor Whitehead

She requested an executive session with Attorney Bill Helfand.

15. City Manager's report

Deposit of CO funds

The money from the sale of the Certificates of Obligation were deposited into the city's account on October 4, 2018.

Rexville Water Tank update

Strand and Associates has received and is reviewing the information from the contractor that got the bid on the Rexville Water Tax Rehab project. The projected start date of the project is November 1, 2018.

Update on Main Street and Hwy 36 North projects

There will be survey crews on Highway 36 North and on Main Street, in approximately 10 days to begin the work for those two projects.

Paving 6 Streets

The city manager gave the finance director a written directive to retain \$82,772 from last year's surplus to do the street paving projects that were budgeted in the last budget.

Bullet proof vests for Police Department

Chief Reeves and the police department received a \$6,000 grant for the purchase of bullet proof vests.

16. Adjournment

At 6:58 p.m., Councilwoman Vrablec moved that the City Council stand adjourned until the next scheduled meeting. Councilman Hinze seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of October 2018.



Janice Whitehead, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dayl Cooksey, City Secretary