



**MINUTES  
SEALY CITY COUNCIL  
415 MAIN STREET  
SEALY, TX 77474  
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019  
6:00 P.M.**

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**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Brigid Stevenson gave the invocation and 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
Chris Noack	Councilmember, Place 2
Sandra Vrablec	Councilmember, Place 3/Mayor Pro tem
Jennifer Sullivan	Councilmember, Place 4
Larry Koy	Councilmember, Place 5

Absent:

John Hinze	Councilmember, Place 6
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A quorum was declared present.

Staff attending:

Lloyd Merrell, City Manager  
Dayl Cooksey, City Secretary  
Warren Escovy, Asst. City Manager  
Steven Kutra, Finance Director  
Lawrence Siska, Director of Parks, Streets, Drainage  
Mark Pulos, Public Works Director  
Jay Reeves, Chief of Police  
Robert Worley, Sealy EDC Executive Director  
Tim Kirwin, City Attorney

**4. Proclamations and Special Recognitions**

None

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

None

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilman Koy asked that the items listed in the consent agenda be voted on separately.

a. **Discussion and possible action regarding approval of minutes for the meeting held March 12, 2019.**

Councilman Koy moved to approve the minutes after changes were made to items 13 and 14 concerning the voting. Councilman Koy's name will be removed from the AYES on item 13 because he voted NO. Councilman Koy's name will be removed from item 14 under the NOS. He voted for the item. Councilwoman Vrablec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy  
NOES: None

The motion carried.

b. Discussion and possible action to approve an ordinance in which the caption reads:  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEALY, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 70 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEALY, TEXAS; PROVIDING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PARK USE; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**  
*(This is the second of two readings.)*

Councilman Koy moved to approve the ordinance as captioned above. Councilwoman Lerma seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy  
NOES: None

The motion carried. *(This ordinance is enrolled as Ordinance No. 2019-05.)*

7. **Discussion and possible action regarding profit and loss report from the Sealy Community Foundation for the Fantasy of Lights Event – 2018.**

Angela Schmidt with the Sealy Community Foundation was in attendance to answer any questions. Councilwoman Sullivan asked if they had received a list of items that were needed for the post event report that had not been received. Mrs. Schmidt said she had and provided the information the day she was notified. There were questions regarding the over \$7,000 that was not used for the Fantasy of Lights being able to roll over into the Sealybration event.

Councilwoman Lerma moved to table action and have staff review the application and requirements and advise council. Mayor Whitehead seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy  
NOES: None

The motion carried.

**8. Discussion and possible action regarding the monthly financial report presented by the Director of Finance.**

Steven Kutra reviewed the monthly financial report with the city council. He informed council that the city has reached the goal for the second month, previously set, to have 90-days of operating funds held in reserve.

**9. Discussion and possible action to appoint member(s) to the Main Street Advisory Board.**

Mayor Whitehead moved to appoint Karla Kitterman to serve as a member of the Main Street Advisory Board. Councilwoman Lerma seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy  
NOES: None

The motion carried.

**10. City Manager's report and possible discussion.**

- **Main Street water line**  
Staff is working on securing permits from TxDOT for the Main Street project. Advertisement for bids should be in April.
- **Wastewater Treatment Plant**  
The construction on the wastewater treatment plant is approximately 80% complete.
- **Water and Sewer lines on Highway 36 North**  
The Highway 36 utility project is running a few weeks behind the Main Street water line project because the installation is for water and sewer. The city will also need to acquire land for the required lift station.
- **Meeting with General Land Office concerning \$194,936 infrastructure improvement grant for Hurricane Harvey.**  
Staff and grant administrators met with Caley Carmichael with the Texas General Land Office concerning the Hurricane Harvey infrastructure improvement grant.
- **Sealy Trash-off**  
He thanked Councilwoman Lerma and Councilwoman Sullivan for their work on the Sealy Trash-off event.
- **Mudbugs on Main**  
He thanked Aya Reimer, Brooke Christoferson, Gretchen Anker, and Lawrence Siska for their work on the Mudbugs on Main event.
- **City wide Garage Sale**  
He thanked Dayl Cooksey, Natalie Tiemann, Eren Maldonado, and Kristin Anderson for their work with the city wide garage sale.

**11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: A closed meeting will be held under Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY. A governmental body may conduct a private consultation with its attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter, namely legal issues associated with Chapter 28 of the Code of Ordinances- variances.**

The city council adjourned open session at 6:31 p.m.



**12. Reconvene into regular session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session.**

The city council reconvened into open session at 7:26 p.m. Mayor Whitehead stated that no action was needed.

**13. Request(s) for future agenda items and comment(s).**

Councilwoman Lerma

- None

Councilman Noack

- None

Councilwoman Vrablec

- None

Councilwoman Sullivan

- She reminded everyone of the Sealy Trash-off to be held on April 6, 2019 and thanked staff for their help.
- She requested that organizations be notified as soon as possible if there is a need for them to provide information or attend a council meeting.

Councilman Koy

- He requested that the Sealy Community Foundation and HOT Fund rules and regulations be reviewed and recommendations made to Council.
- He asked if the old Sealy EDC office can be sub-leased.
- He requested information on the surplus money received by the Knights of Columbus in a previous year.
- He asked if the city council voted to provide \$10,000 to the San Felipe de Austin project.
- He requested that Enterprise Pipeline be contacted and asked to provide a presentation to council regarding plans and safety procedures to protect against a disaster, such as the fires that occurred in Deer Park.

Mayor Whitehead

- None

**14. Adjournment**

At 7:36 p.m., Councilman Koy moved that the city council stand adjourned until the next scheduled meeting. Councilwoman Vrablec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

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

NOES: None

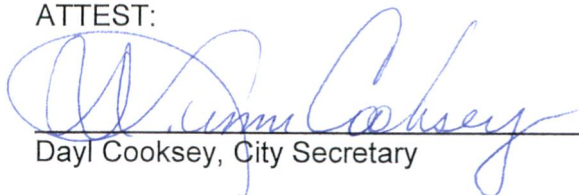
The motion carried.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.



  
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Janice Whitehead, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Dayl Cooksey, City Secretary