



MINUTES
WORKSHOP
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF SEALY, TEXAS
SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2019
9:00 A.M.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Whitehead called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Invocation

Mayor Whitehead asked that everyone join in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

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
John Hinze	Councilmember, Place 6

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 (*arrived at 10:00 a.m.*)
Jay Reeves, Police Chief (*arrived at 10:00 a.m.*)
Robert Worley, Sealy EDC Executive Director
Tim Kirwin, City Attorney

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION: A closed meeting will be held concerning the following item(s):

- a. **Section 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY.** A governmental body may conduct a private consultation with its attorney when the governmental body seeks the advice of its attorney about: pending or contemplated litigation; or a settlement offer; – Town Park Center, Cause No. 2017V-0040.

- b. **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 previous drainage commitment.

City council recessed open session at 9:07 a.m.

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

City council reconvened into open session at 10:00 a.m.

Councilwoman Lerma moved to decline a Tolling Agreement with TPC, and to enter into an agreement for TPC to do future drainage. Councilman Noack seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

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

NOES: None

The motion carried.

6. **PRIORITIES WORKSHOP:** The Sealy city Council will enter into a workshop session to discuss, and consider priorities for future projects and budgeting:

- a. Ethics manual/policies
- b. HR Personnel Policies/Procedures Manual
- c. Planning and Community Development
 - New Development
 - Proposed Development
 - I-10 Expansion
 - Junk Vehicles
 - Annexation
- d. Parks/Streets/Drainage/Building Services
 - Street Maintenance & Repairs
 - Drainage projects
 - B&PW Park Track
 - Building Maintenance/Repairs
 - Signs
 - Park upgrades
 - City Barn addition
- e. Water/Sewer/Gas
 - Utility relocations/expansions
 - Continuous Lighting on IH-10
 - Smoke testing on utility lines
- f. Police Department
 - Additional employees
 - Vehicle replacement
 - Fencing

- g. Finance Department
 - New equipment
 - Clearview Analytics
 - Website management
 - Financial transparency
 - Auditing
 - Disaster recovery service
- h. City Secretary
 - Just FOIA
 - New Equipment
 - Social media compliance with Records retention
 - Memberships
 - Ease of requests for information
- i. Information Technology
 - Replace servers
 - Fiber Internet Connections
- j. Fire Marshal
 - Replace Vehicle
- k. Sealy Economic Development Corporation
 - Corporation goals
 - Office space
- l. Main Street Program
 - Program goals
 - Future plans
- m. Municipal Court
 - New equipment
 - Upgrades
- n. City Manager
 - Zoning
 - Apartment and housing situation
 - TxDOT expansion and traffic issues
 - Grants
 - Updates to B&PW Park

Staff and councilmembers discussed items listed on the agenda. Each department provided a Project Status Report including on-going and proposed future projects. A copy of the Project Status Report is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

(Councilwoman Lerma left the meeting at 12:47 p.m.)

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

Councilman Noack

- He thanked staff for attending the meeting.

Councilwoman Vrablec

- She said this was a good meeting and thanked everyone for their work.

Councilman Koy

- He requested a timeline if the city were to consider zoning.
- He requested a meeting with Lawrence and Warren or have a workshop concerning drainage in order to set priorities.
- He requested a copy of the plan for the \$2 million grant for drainage improvements.
- He requested a meeting with the Mark Pulos concerning water and sewer lines.

Councilwoman Sullivan

- She thanked everyone for their project status reports and work.

Councilman Hinze

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8. Adjournment

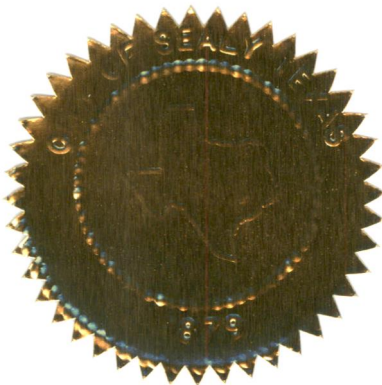
At 1:42 p.m., Councilman Koy moved that the city council stand adjourned until the next scheduled meeting. Councilwoman Vrabec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Noack, Vrabec, Sullivan, Koy, Hinze

NOES: None

The motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of April 2019.




Janice Whitehead, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dayl Cooksey, City Secretary