

**REGULAR MEETING**

**February 7, 2017**

**7:00 p.m.**

There being a quorum present, Mayor Saunders called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council members present: Rick Neumayer, Greg Allen, Ann Fessenden, and Bryant Jennings

Absent: Brandon Blue

Allen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda to include the Minutes to the last meeting and budget review and payment of bills. Jennings seconded the motion.  
Votes:

**For** – Neumayer, Allen, Fessenden, and Jennings

**Against** – None

**Passed** – 4-0

Public Comment:

- None

The Mayor read the following Order of Election:

**ORDER OF ELECTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES**

**An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 6, 2017 for the purpose of:  
(date)**

Election of a Mayor and two (2) aldermen to serve two-year terms

**Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at**

Navarro County Courthouse Annex – 601 N 13<sup>th</sup>, Suite 3 Corsicana, Texas  
(location)

**between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 24, 2017 and ending on May 2, 2017 and between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on April 24, 2017 and on May 1, 2017.**

**Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:**

Danda Parker  
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)

P. O. Box 1018  
(Address)

Corsicana, TX 75151  
(City) (Zip Code)

**Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 2017**

Neumayer made a motion to approve and issue the Order as read. Fessenden seconded the motion. Votes:

**For** – Neumayer, Allen, Fessenden, and Jennings

**Against** – None

**Passed** – 4-0

Vernon Baker stated that he had gotten a notice to clean his yard. He is in the process of cleaning his yard, and would like to know who else got a notice, because he sees no effort being made by anyone else in his neighborhood. Officer Covey was not present to answer questions, but had provided a list of all cases he is working on. Mr. Vernon was given a copy of this list.

Mr. Vernon also addressed the council about the need for addition stop signs in his neighborhood. He would like to see all-way stops at the intersections NW Fourth at Wright and NW Fourth at Alma.

After some discussion, Mayor Saunders promised to have those intersections patrolled more often and to have a traffic study done to determine if all-way stop intersections are warranted at those locations.

The following Resolution was read for consideration:

**Resolution**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Kerens finds it in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Kerens, that the NIBRS Compliance Grant be operated for 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Kerens agrees to provide no matching funds for the said project as required by the Office of the Governor grant application; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Kerens agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds the City Council of the City of Kerens assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Kerens designates Bryan Miers, Chief of Police as the grantee’s authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Kerens approves submission of the grant application for the NIBRS Compliance Grant to the Office of the Governor.

Neumayer made a motion to pass and approve the Resolution as presented. Allen seconded the motion. Votes:

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**Against** – None  
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Chief Miers told the Council that he had finally gotten the details worked out with Reliable Chevrolet to order the two Tahoes in this year's budget. Reliable Chevrolet has quoted a price of \$32,247.75 each for the vehicles. Equipment, including cameras, lights, sirens, radar, and striping will add approximately \$13,000.00 per vehicle. He has also been working with Brandon Bridges and Tate Cramm of Prosperity Bank on financing the vehicles. Mr. Cramm said that Prosperity Bank could issue a draw note for up to \$100,000 to cover both vehicles and the equipment with installation to outfit them for use as patrol cars.

After some discussion, Neumayer made a motion to authorize Chief Miers to negotiate the terms of the note with Prosperity Bank and to authorize Mayor Saunders to sign the note. Jennings seconded the motion. Votes:

**For** – Neumayer, Allen, Fessenden, and Jennings  
**Against** – None  
**Passed** – 4-0

### Operations

- **Code Enforcement** – Officer Covey reported to Chief Miers that he wrote 5 citations, did 4 occupancy inspections, and 5 yards cleaned. Covey's report still did not reflect addresses of these actions.
- **Water Dept.** – Nothing new.
- **Sewer Dept.** – No major problems.
- **Street Dept.** – Need to patch potholes.
- **Police Dept.** – Chief Miers stated that construction has begun on the old property room to turn it back into an office.
- **Animal Control** – No new problems.
- **Court** – Court was held today. No problems.
- **Tax Dept.** – Gail Smith's report shows 49.55% of current taxes collected as of December 31, 2016.
- **Office** – No problems to report.
- **Grants** – Received notice of release of funds on the 2015/16 grant.
- **Economic Development** – No new information.
- **Long Range Planning** – No new information.

Neumayer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Allen seconded the motion. Votes:

**For** – Neumayer, Allen, Fessenden, and Jennings  
**Against** – None  
**Passed** – 4-0

With no further business to transact, Mayor Saunders adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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**Jeffrey Saunders, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Cindy Scott, City Secretary**