

REGULAR MEETING

January 7, 2014

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, Brandon Blue, and Greg Allen. Ann Fessenden arrived at 7:10

Absent: None

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

For – Neumayer, Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 4-0

Public Comment:

None

The following Ordinance was read the second and final time for consideration:

Ordinance No. 2014-0107A

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KERENS, TEXAS,
AMENDING THAT SECTION OF THE CODE OF
ORDINANCES, CITY OF KERENS, TEXAS CHAPTER 8,
SECTION 4 - A - TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS**

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Kerens, Texas:

THAT the following items will be added to read:

53. On the east and west side of S Wright Avenue at its intersection with S. 4th Street controlling north and south bound traffic on S. Wright Avenue.

54. On the east and west side of S. Wright Avenue at its intersection with S. 3rd Street controlling north and south bound traffic on S. Wright Avenue.

SEVERABILITY

If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances for any reason is held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid or for any reason unenforceable, the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or the application thereby shall remain in effect, it being the intent of the City Council of the City of Kerens, Texas in adopting this ordinance, that no portion thereof or provision contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by any reason of unconstitutionality or invalidity of any portion or provision.

Franklin made a motion to pass and approve the Ordinance as read. Neumayer seconded the motion. Votes:

For – Neumayer, Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 4-0

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The following Ordinance was read for consideration:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2014-0107B

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KERENS, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 2 SECTION 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KERENS

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Kerens, Texas that Chapter 2 Section 10 of the City Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 10: SIGN REGULATIONS

- Z. Any person or persons affected by any of the orders or notices provided for herein shall have the right to appeal to the City Council by filing a written notice of appeal with the City Secretary within ten (10) days after notice of violation is received.

Blue made a motion to pass and approve the Ordinance as read Neumayer seconded the motion. Votes:

For – Neumayer, Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 4-0

Neumayer made a motion to reappoint Karen Bancroft and Rick Prince to the Kerens Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors and to appoint Jeremy Hudson to fulfill Derek Kamp's remaining year on that Board. Franklin seconded the motion. Votes:

For – Neumayer, Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 4-0

Operations

- **Code Enforcement** – Officer Covey reported that he had done 5 occupancy inspections, had 2 lots mowed by city crew, and wrote 1 citation for a junk vehicle. He also stated that Mr. Kurtz has removed the old sign and moved all vehicles behind the fence at his junk yard.
- **Water Dept.** – cold weather has caused some problems, and the buzzards are still eating insulation around pipes at the South Tower.
- **Sewer Dept.** – TCEQ inspection went well. They had a few things they wanted improved, but no major problems.
- **Street Dept.** – Mayor Saunders reported that the mower must be replaced before mowing season begins. A new mower attachment is only \$200 more than the repairs would cost.
- **Police Dept.** – Chief Miers said that everything is running smooth. The final Tahoe is in the shop being rigged out.
- **Animal Control** – No new problems.
- **Court** – No problems to report.
- **Tax Dept.** – No report from Russell Hudson's office.

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- **Office** – No problems to report.
- **Grants** – Water lines are being tapped this week.
- **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, Blue, Allen, Franklin and Fessenden

Against – None

Passed – 5-0

With no further business to transact, Mayor Saunders adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Jeffrey Saunders, Mayor

Attest:

Cindy Scott, City Secretary