

## REGULAR MEETING

September 8, 2015

7:00 p.m.

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There being a quorum present, Mayor Saunders called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Council members present: Greg Allen, Ann Fessenden, and Bruce Franklin.

Absent: Rick Neumayer and Brandon Blue

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

**For** – Allen, Fessenden, and Franklin

**Against** – None

**Passed** – 3-0

Public Comment:

- Marie Graham voiced a complaint about unsightly store fronts of the “junk stores” on SH 31.

Blue arrived at 7:08

Allen made a motion to award the construction contract for water & sewer improvements under Grant #7214259 to the apparent low bidder, Capps-Capsco for their total base bid in the amount of \$342,458.25. Fessenden seconded the motion. Votes:

**For** – Blue, Neumayer, Fessenden, and Franklin

**Against** – None

**Passed** – 4-0

Anthony Mills was present to discuss and answer questions about TMRS Retirement Plan for City Employees. After some discussion, Council agreed to table the decision of participation percentage until next month.

Ruth Burks did not attend to discuss her request for reimbursement for mowing expenses so no action was taken.

Barbara Latta did not appear to discuss her request for assistance with drainage problems. She called earlier in the day and stated that the problem had been taken care of.

### Operations

- **Code Enforcement** – Officer Covey reported that 2 occupancy inspections, 6 vehicles abated, several more permanent trash containers removed this month.
- **Water Dept.** – Scott explained that water usage high this month because of the structure fire on Donna Circle and the major leaks this past month..
- **Sewer Dept.** – No major problems.

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- **Street Dept.** – Mayor Saunders requested that brush be cleared up before homecoming.
- **Police Dept.** – Chief Miers reported that he has started a new facebook page for the Kerens PD.
- **Animal Control** – No new problems. Dogs, skunks, and opossums dealt with this month.
- **Court** – No problems.
- **Tax Dept.** – Russell Hudson’s report yet for September. August report shows 93.8% of current taxes collected as of July 31, 2015
- **Office** – No problems.
- **Grants** – No further information
- **Economic Development** – No new information.
- **Long Range Planning** – No new information.

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

For – Blue, Allen, Fessenden and Franklin

Against – None

**Passed** – 4-0

With no further business to transact, Mayor Saunders adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

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**Jeffrey Saunders, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Cindy Scott, City Secretary**