Regular Kemah City Council Meeting
Kemah Public Facilities Corporation
Kemah Public Facility Transportation Corporation
June 1, 2016
Minutes

Audio Recording of Council Meeting:

The file containing the audio recording of the meeting (2016-06-01 Council Audio.mp3) is incorporated by reference in this Minutes document. The full duration of this file is 32 minutes 40 seconds. Approximate start times for each section of the meeting are given below to help locate the recording of that section.

Mayor Carl Joiner called the Kemah Council Meeting/Kemah Public Facilities Corporation/Kemah Public Facility Transportation Corporation Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers in Kemah City Hall. Present were City Council Members Teresa Vazquez-Evans, Kyle Burks, Robin Collins and Matt Wiggins. Council Member Wanda Zimmer was absent. Mayor Carl Joiner declared a quorum. Also in attendance were City Attorney Dick Gregg Jr., City Administrator Wendy Ellis, Community Services Director Nick Haby, Police Chief Greg Rikard, and City Secretary Carolyn E. Anderson.

1. Pledges *00:01:00*

Pledges led by Sylvia Streater

2. Moment of Silence *00:04:05*

3. Presentations *00:04:21*

Mayor Carl Joiner presented proclamations to Ms. Tami Verstrate as the recipient of the 2016 Excellence in Education Award and to Ms. Priscilla Thompson in honor of being named the Teacher of the Year at Stewart Elementary

4. Invitation to address council *00:07:02*

Les Hart welcomed the new City Council members

On behalf of the City of Kemah and the Kemah Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, Mr. Hart announced that the Annual Hurricane Awareness Seminar will be held on June 25th

5. Council Members Comments and Announcements *00:08:18*

Councilman Matt Wiggins – none

Councilwoman Robin Collins - none

Councilman Kyle Burks - none

Councilwoman Teresa Vazquez-Evans – Thanks for the excellent staff at Stewart Elementary

6. Mayor's Comments *00:9:11*

Mayor Joiner welcomed the new council members and stated that he is looking forward to working with the new council.

The June 8th KCDC meeting has been cancelled to allow time to process the applications for

the open KCDC board positions

There will be a special meeting in two weeks on June 15th for City Council to interview the KCDC applicants

7. City Administrator Report *00:10:12*

City Administrator Wendy Ellis announced that the KCDC applications are available at City Hall and on the City of Kemah website. Please return by noon on Friday June 10th

She announced that the Council Governance Retreat is scheduled for June 6th. She asked that Council members let her know their availability and whether a late afternoon or early evening time that would be best.

She also stated that applications are being received for the Municipal Court Clerk position and that the interviews will be held next week.

Process to develop a new application process and review of events that are funded with the hotel occupancy tax funds and KCDC funds. A post event analysis process will also be developed

Staff working on bids for tree trimming – 270 palm trees being trimmed throughout the City

Council and KCDC requested that LJA Engineering provide a revision and re-write of the floodplain and building ordinances. Those ordinances are under staff review at this time.

An emergency purchase and replacement is required for an air-conditioning unit for City Hall.

8. Police Chief Report *00:15:40*

Chief Greg Rikard reported that several times during the month of May the traffic light at 518 and 146 has been flashing four-way red. TxDOT has been contacted

Fireworks start June 10th through the end of July every Friday night. Expect traffic along Kipp

Last day of school is tomorrow

Police Department down two officers

9. Consent Agenda *00:17:13*

A. Approval of Minutes

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B. Approval of Bills

Bills 05/14/2016 – 05/26/2016 - $64,869.05

No items were requested to be pulled from the consent agenda

Motion:	To approve the items on the consent agenda
Made By:	Councilwoman Robin Collins
Seconded By:	Councilman Kyle Burks
Vote:	**Motion carried unanimously** by all Council Members present.

New Business

10. Consideration and possible action to Accept the 2014-2015 Preliminary Audit Report *00:17:34*

City Administrator Wendy Ellis added that the City received an unmodified audit report and good financial standing. Ms. Ellis wanted to express her thanks to the efforts of the auditing firm of McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC and Mr. Joseph Ellis.

Mayor Joiner also added that he feels like the city is in good financial shape.

Motion:	To accept the 2014-2015 Preliminary Audit Report
Made By:	Councilman Kyle Burks
Seconded By:	Councilwoman Robin Collins
Vote:	**Motion carried unanimously** by all Council Members present.

11. Consideration and possible action on a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to engage, for and on behalf of the city, in a term agreement the services of Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle and Townsend, P.C., to negotiate a new franchise agreement with CenterPoint gas *00:18:54*

Mayor Joiner and Council Member Teresa Vazquez-Evans requested that the item be opened up for discussion. City Administrator Wendy Ellis addressed the questions of Council regarding the terms of the agreement. She stated that because Lloyd Gosselink's representation with other cities, that the City of Kemah benefits from this joint representation.

Director of Community Services Nick Haby was asked to approach the podium. Mr. Haby addressed Council's questions and concerns. City Attorney Dick Gregg, Jr., also advised Council that he feels that the firm of Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle and Townsend, P.C., does good work.

Motion:	To approve the resolution
Made By:	Councilman Matt Wiggins
Seconded By:	Councilwoman Robin Collins
Vote:	**Motion carried unanimously** by all Council Members present.

12. Consideration and Possible Action – Appointment of City Council Member and Alternate to Animal Control Board of Directors *00:21:20*

City Administrator Wendy Ellis provided a background of the services of the Animal Control Board of Directors. She advised Council that Rhonda Treviño had previously been the City's representative on the Animal Control Board of Directors. This agenda item is for an Animal Control City Council Member appointment for an unexpired term.

Motion:	To approve the appointment of Kyle Burks as the representative and Matt Wiggins as the alternate to the Animal Control Board of Directors
Made By:	Councilwoman Robin Collins
Seconded By:	Councilwoman Teresa Vazquez-Evans
Vote:	**Motion carried unanimously** by all Council Members present

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Adjourned Open Session at 7:25 pm *00:25:05* *01:34:*

The Board held a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

13. Section 551.071 Consultation with attorney regarding all pending litigation of the City

OPEN SESSION – Reconvened Open Session at 7:35 pm *01:34:*

14. Consideration and possible action on items discussed in Executive Session

None.

15. Council Members Closing Comments *00:27:05*

Teresa Vazquez-Evans

Kyle Burks

Robin Collins

Matt Wiggins

16. Mayor Closing Comments *00:27:10*

- Looking forward to Council Workshop with Ron Cox on June 6th

17. Adjournment *00:32:40*

Motion:	To adjourn
Made By:	Councilwoman Wanda Zimmer
Seconded By:	Councilwoman Teresa Vazquez-Evans
Vote:	Ayes: Council Members Teresa Vazquez-Evans, Wanda Zimmer, Kyle Burks, and Robin Collins
	Nay: Councilman Matt Wiggins
	Motion carried 4 – 1

Council was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

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APPROVED: Carl A. Joiner DATE: June 15, 2016

ATTEST: Carolyn D. Anderson