**MINUTES**

**FRITCH CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

**August 20, 2019**

**SFISD BOARD ROOM 540 EAGLE DRIVE FRITCH, TEXAS**

**6:30 P.M.**

**All agenda items are subject to action. The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.**

1. **Call to order. Welcome Citizens and Visitors:**

- Mayor Dwight Kirksey called the meeting to order at 6:30PM. Council member Chris Pierce was absent. City Employees present were Public Works Director Roger Pense, Police Chief Robert Chapmon, Officer Miguel Lopez, Municipal Judge Shelby Deatherage, City Secretary Michelle Moneymaker, and City Manager Drew Brassfield.

1. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:**

- Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins led the pledge and a representative from the Boy Scouts Troops of America led the invocation.

1. **Open forum – Comments/Concerns from Citizens:**

*Individual citizen comments are normally limited to five (5) minutes (time limits can be adjusted by the Mayor). The purpose of this item is to allow citizens an opportunity to address the City Council regarding any topic not on the agenda. By State law, the City Council is not allowed to respond to comments and questions asked of them by an open forum speaker. Any response by a member of the City Council must be limited to referring the matter to staff, a statement of specific factual information/ recitation of existing policy, or a proposal to place the subject on a future agenda for a future City Council meeting.*

* Mayor Dwight Kirksey asked that anyone requesting to address the Council regarding Golf Carts, or the 2019/2020 Proposed Budgets; wait to speak until that particular item is addressed in the New Business portion of the meeting.
1. **Consent Items:**

*This section shall provide for items that require action by the council, but where little or no discussion is anticipated. By a single motion, second and affirmative majority vote, items under this section are approved without further discussion or action. Any council member desiring more discussion on an item may request an item be withdrawn for separate discussion and action.*

* 1. **Approve minutes of the following meetings: 07-23-19 Regular Session, 07-23-19 Crime Board, 07-30-19 Budget Workshop, and 08-06-19 Budget Workshop**
* Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins to approve all consent items as presented
* Motion seconded by Council member Tom Ray
* Motion Carried (All In Favor)

**5. City Staff & Affiliated Entities reports:**

A. Report from Chief of Police – *July report presented; no questions*

* 1. Report from Public Works Director – *July report presented*
* Current Major Projects: repairs to Ohio street, water leaks, water well field updates
	1. Report from Fire Chief – *July report presented*
* Fill The Boot will start August 31st
	1. Court Report – *July report presented*
* Citations for code violations has remained steady
	1. E.D.C. Report – *Updates presented by board President Kendall Glover*
	2. Report from City Secretary – *July report presented*
	3. Report from City Manager – *Ongoing Projects*
* 19/20 Fiscal Year Budget
* 19/20 Tax Rates

**6. New business:**

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding an ordinance allowing golf carts on city streets**
* Citizen Jerry Raper addressed the Council regarding the ordinance that was up for discussion; expressing support in favor of the ordinance
* Mayor Dwight Kirksey clarified that ATV’s/UTV’s were not in listed in the proposed ordinance
* Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins to adopt Ordinance 578, with the permit fee listed on appendix A set at $15.00
* Motion seconded by Council member James Story
* Motion Carried (All in Favor)
1. **Discuss and propose the 2019/2020 fiscal year tax rate(s)**
* Tax rate revenue overview was presented by City Secretary Michelle Moneymaker
* Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins moved to propose a tax rate of $0.648937 with $0.340965 being delegated to I&S, and $0.307972 delegated to M&O
* Seconded by Council member James Story
* Motion Carried (All In Favor)
1. **Review and discuss the proposed final budgets for the 2019/2020 fiscal year**
* Citizen Richard Hein addressed the Council regarding the proposed 2019/2020 budgets; expressing concern on spending habits due to increased revenue
* Budgets Reviewed: Public Works, General, Debt Service, Crime Board, Economic Development, and Court Special Funds
* Municipal Judge Shelby Deatherage presented the 2019/2020 budgets for Court Special Funds
* Mayor Dwight Kirksey welcomed questions from the audience
1. **Discussion and possible action on proposed Resolution No. 19-2; approving a negotiated settlement with Atmos Energy regarding current rates**
* Motion by Council member Tom Ray to approve Resolution No. 19-2
* Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins
* Motion Carried (All In Favor)
1. **Discussion and possible action on proposed Resolution 19-3; denying SPS proposed rate increase**
* Motion by Mayor Billy Robbins to approve Resolution No. 19-3
* Motion seconded by Council member Tom Ray
* Motion Carried (All In Favor)

**7. Mayor/Council Member Announcements**

* None this meeting

**8. Future agenda items.**

* Action to adopt the proposed 2019/2020 fiscal year budget(s)
* Action to adopt the proposed Property Tax Rate(s)

**9. Adjournment.**

* Motion by Council member Thomas Ray to adjourn the meeting
* Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins
* Motion Carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:13PM

 **READ, PASSED AND APPROVED on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2019.**

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 **Mayor Dwight Kirksey City Secretary**