**MINUTES**

**FRITCH CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

**June 18, 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 Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Richard Hein and Alderman Ruth Derosa.

- City Employees present: Public Works Director Roger Pense, Police Chief Robert Chapmon, Volunteer Fire Chief Rodney Kerbo, Municipal Judge Shelby Deatherage, City Secretary Michelle Moneymaker, and City Manager Drew Brassfield.

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

- Guest; Pastor Don Rice from Faith Baptist Church led the invocation, and Council member Billy Robbins led the pledge.

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.*

- ***None for this 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 Any council member desiring more discussion on an item may request an item be withdrawn for separate discussion and action.*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:** 05-21-19 Regular Session
  2. **Approve Tax Deeds:** R10280 - Rowe $500
* Motion by Council member Billy Robbins to approve all consent items as presented.
* Motion seconded by Council member Arlin Audrain.
* Motion Carried (All in Favor).

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

A. Report from Chief of Police – *May report presented*

* Alderman Tom Ray asked for the status of the school zone sign on Eagle Blvd.
  1. Report from Public Works Director – *May report presented*
* Mayor Dwight Kirksey recognized the Public Works department and commended their execution efforts in repairing the main line leak on June 11th and restoring service on June 12th.
  1. Report from Fire Chief – *May report presented*
* Mayor Dwight Kirksey thanked the Fire Department for making Fire equipment available for the Council and Public to tour at the May 2019 meeting.
  1. Court Report – *May report presented, along with court process flow diagram*
  2. E.D.C. Report – *Updates on current projects presented by EDC board member Ian Larson*
  3. Report from City Secretary – *May report presented*
  4. Report from City Manager – *Ongoing Projects*
* Water Well Field Construction – schedule update; est. completion 08/23/2019
* Mosquito Spraying – spraying began 06/10/2019 and will continue through the season

**6. New business:**

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding resignation of Richard Hein from City Council.**

* Resignation letter from Mayor Pro Tem Richard Hein was read aloud by Mayor Dwight Kirksey.
* Motion by Council member Thomas Ray to accept Richard Hein’s resignation
* Motion seconded by Council member Billy Robbins.
* Motion Carried (all in favor).

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding appointment to fill Council vacancy.**

* Mayor Dwight Kirksey outlined and clarified the process for filling Council vacancies outside of general elections. A special election is only required when 2 or more vacancies are open at the same time. With only 1 open vacancy, the council can consider appointing an individual to fill the remainder of the term.

1. **Executive Session – The City Council will convene into closed session in accordance with Texas Government Code Subchapter D, Section 551 (Review of Chris Pierce Questionnaire)**

* At 7:07PM the Council moved into executive session.
* At 7:11PM the Council reconvened from executive session.
* Motion by Council member Arlin Audrain to appoint Chris Pierce to fill the remainder of Richard Hein’s term.
* Motion seconded by Council member Tom Ray
* Motion Carried (all in favor).
* Chris Pierce will be sworn in at the July 2019 meeting.

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding election of Mayor Pro Tem.**

* Motion by Council member Tom Ray to appoint Billy Robbins as Mayor Pro Tem.
* Motion seconded by Council member Arlin Audrain.
* Motion Carried (2 In Favor; 1 abstain).

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding Special Warranty Deed on Lot 3, Block 8, Canadian River Park No. 1, and lots 6-9, Block 1, Canadian River Park No. 1.**

* Motion by Council member Billy Robbins to award the previously purchased lots as presented.
* Motion seconded by Council member Arlin Audrain.
* Motion Carried (all in favor).

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding changes to Resolution 19-1, concerning outdoor public warning system.**

* Motion by Council member Billy Robbins to approve Resolution 19-1 as amended.
* Motion seconded by Council member Tom Ray.
* Motion Carried (all in favor).

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding schedule of upcoming budget workshops.**

* July 30, 2019 – budget workshop
* August 6, 2019 – budget workshop
* August 13, 2019 – budget workshop

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding possible exception to public consumption of alcohol at the City Park for evening activities following Howdy Neighbor Day events.**

* Council members voiced concerns as to police surveillance, liability, and repercussions of allowing alcohol consumption on City property.
* Motion by Council member Billy Robbins to *not* award an exception to the consumption of alcohol for events following Howdy Neighbor Day.
* Motion seconded by Council member Arlin Audrain.
* Motion Carried (all in favor).

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding variance request for properties on Overland.**

* Motion by Council member Tom Ray to award variance to Chris Pierce and allow construction of metal “shop” building prior to construction of main dwelling.
* Motion seconded by Council member Billy Robbins.
* Motion Carried (all in favor).

**7. Mayoral/Council member announcements.**

- July 2019 regular session Council meeting will be held on July 23rd.

- Annual TML conference will be held in San Antonio on October 8th – 11th.

**8. Adjournment.**

* Motion by Council member Thomas Ray to adjourn the meeting.
* Motion seconded by Council member Arlin Audrain.
* Motion Carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:03PM.

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

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**Mayor Dwight Kirksey City Secretary**