

**AGENDA**  
**NOTICE OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**CITY OF KEMPNER, TEXAS**  
**August 25, 2020**  
**7:00 PM**  
**12288 E. Hwy 190 Kempner, Texas 76539**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Kempner, Texas will hold its regular meeting at the above-named date, time and location for the consideration and action on all the items listed below:

1. CALL TO ORDER, CALL OF ROLL/IDENTIFICATION OF A QUORUM
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance/Pledge to the Texas Flag

**NON-ACTION ITEMS**

4. Citizens Comments – Must sign in and note whether Agenda or Non-Agenda items
5. Reports
  - Mayor

**ACTION ITEMS**

6. a. Consider approval of the Minutes of the Council meeting held on August 11, 2020.
7. a. Consider approval of the additional \$2000.00 to the Kempner Volunteer Fire Department.
8. Comments / Mayor's final comments.
9. Date of the regular meeting will be September 8, 2020.
10. Adjournment



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Dr. Keith L. Harvey, Mayor

I, Keith Harvey, Mayor of the City of Kempner do hereby certify that the above notice of the REGULAR Meeting of the City of Kempner City Council was posted at City Hall, 12288 East Highway 190, Kempner, Texas on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 2020 before 3:30 p.m.

The City council may convene into executive session on any matter related to any of the above agenda items for a purpose, such closed session is allowed under Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

This building is wheelchair accessible. Any requests for Interpretive Services must be made 48 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting.

\* The Citizen Comments: This portion of the agenda is reserved to provide citizens an opportunity to address the City Council on issues affecting the City. Citizens must sign in with City Secretary prior to meeting. Each citizen's comments are limited to a total of three (3) minutes; a total of 30 minutes has been allotted. You may speak on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items. Non-Agenda Items portion of the agenda is the citizen's opportunity to be heard at the City Council meeting and will be reserved for comments concerning city related issues not otherwise appearing on the meeting agenda.

STATE OF TEXAS \*

COUNTY OF LAMPASAS \*

CITY OF KEMPNER \*

BE IT REMEMBERED that on August 11, 2020 the City Council met in City Hall with the following members present: Council Members Charlie Gipson, Betty Parker, John Wilkerson, Mack Ruskiewicz, Melba Vandever.

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 P.M. and the following business was conducted:

1. Roll Call – All Present
2. Mayor Harvey Led the Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance/Pledge to the Texas Flag

**Non-Action Items**

4. Citizen Comments – no comments
5. Reports

- Police Department
  - Two incidents of found property
  - One incident of harassment
  - Two incidents of theft – case closed
  - Indecency with a child – under investigation
  - Identity theft – under investigation
  - Theft over \$50 under \$500 – case closed
  - Harassment/Stalking – under investigation
  - Two cases illegal dumping – One in county, one under investigation
  - Theft of mail – under investigation
  - Disorderly Conduct – under investigation
  - 47 Calls for Service
  - Traffic Stops:
    - Total: 68
    - Violations: 58
    - Warnings: 24
  - Patrol vehicles driven 1,493 miles
  - 150.492 gallons of fuel

Any questions about the police department, direct to Chief Rodriguez

- Mayor
  - Back to school give away was a huge success. Pleasure to listen to testimonials of the people who came for them on how it was a blessing to them. Not funded by city. Mayor provided all materials. Everyone stayed within COVID-19 guidelines. Kempner memorial wall, cleaning still needs to be completed. The names will be posted on website for people to review and locate the names of those placed on the wall. Will be done this week. Several contacts by same individual about fixing the water in the city. The City Hall has no

jurisdiction over The Kempner Water Supply Company and cannot fix the water. Second question is can you clean up the city? I have been looking to give the city a facelift since elected and seated. The City will do everything in its power along with city council to aid in the clean-up of the city. The Mayor did not create a parody page for publicity. Those that did create it can think what they choose about the mayor all day long. Mr. Wilkerson, I did not create anything on your behalf. You are not that important to me. I do not go on social media; I do not play on social media. Before you go out and make false claims against me, fix yourself. My phone rings 24/7. Do not play games as council members, be professional. No one is on my mind when I leave this office. When someone takes the time out to be a keyboard warrior to go on a rampage about something that is just totally untrue you too have joined the ranks of those of false propaganda, falsehoods, evil, hatred, malice, all this crazy stuff that has filtered into the city. It is no coincidence that people that chime in with this mess are the same people that started all this other mess in 2017 which you, Mr. Wilkerson were a part of. You can come to me anytime, anywhere, and ask me anything.

- Budget Workshop

#### **Action Items**

#### 6. Consent Items:

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a Council member in which event, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

- a. Consider approval of the Accounts Payable for payment dated August 5, 2020.
- b. Consider approval of the Minutes of the Council meeting held on July 28, 2020
- c. Consider approval of the additional \$2000 to the Kempner Volunteer Fire Department (KVFD).
  - Mr. Gipson made motion to discuss 6a and 6c individually, second by Mr. Wilkerson
  - Mr. Wilkerson made motion to approve 6b. Mrs. Vandever second. All in favor, none opposed.
  - Discussion of 6a.
  - Mr. Gipson questioned what was Bearcom services and GT Distributors. Chief Rodriguez stated Bearcom was for radio configurations and GT Distributors was for uniforms.
  - Mr. Wilkerson made a motion to approve 6a. Mr. Gipson second. All in favor, none opposed.
  - Discussion of 6c.
  - Mr. Gipson questioned this was the first time he heard of \$2000 being given to KVFD. Mayor informed it was based on the last budget meeting. All council members agreed to add it to the agenda to discuss.
  - Mr. Gipson questioned if the Mayor approved to put something on the budget in the last meeting.
  - Mayor clarified it was approved to be put on the agenda by himself, not the budget.
  - Mr. Gipson confirmed it was approved to be put on the agenda.
  - Mayor asked if Chief Dan Hause of KVFD reached out to Mr. Gipson.
  - Mr. Gipson stated he did receive something about it but ignored it as he was not sure it was approved to be sent by the Mayor.

- Mayor confirmed all things given to the city must go through him before it goes out to the council members. Council members confirmed Chief Hause contacted all but Mrs. Vandever. At the last meeting it was brought to the council's attention.
- Mrs. Parker stated the fire department is having trouble with trucks breaking down. It is the end of August when the department receives its annual budgeted \$2000 and wanted to note this was the third time the fire department has requested help from the city. Additional \$2000 was requested due to the new fire truck not being included in the budget.
- Mr. Wilkerson confirmed this and is in full support.
- Mayor questioned if both fire stations are manned and regarding the running of the second red engine at station 2. Discussed its use of compressed foam and if the fire department is dispatching from that station. Wants to make sure KVFD is utilizing all equipment to its full capacity as it cannot be assumed the city has the money. Everything must be accounted for per line item and currently one line item has tripled itself.
- Mrs. Parker asked if the money would be taken out of the city's savings account.
- Mayor assured her it would come from General Funds, not the savings account.
- Mr. Wilkerson made a motion to postpone until Chief Hause can attend and answer questions from the council. Mrs. Vandever second.
- Mr. Gipson asked if the action item was agreed upon at the last meeting to be placed on the agenda.
- Mayor stated three council members were approached by Chief Hause and asked to be placed on the agenda.
- Mr. Gipson was not aware that was an accepted procedure and had an additional concern if it was an exception to policy or a change to policy.
- Mayor indicated it was an exception as this is the time KVFD normally receives the budgeted \$2000.
- Mr. Gipson questioned if the Mayor was able to change the policy.
- Mayor confirmed it was an exception to policy and he has authority to place anything on the agenda as Mayor. If Mr. Gipson did not wish to have the item on the agenda, he was welcome to go through the channels to get it removed.
- Mr. Gipson wished to discuss if three or more council members were present and in agreement to add something to the agenda as opposed to emails becoming lost and confused.
- Mayor confirmed it was his choice to add it to the agenda and regretted Mr. Gipson's absence from the last meeting.
- Mr. Wilkerson stated a point of order, he agreed with Mr. Gipson further discussion was needed but that was not the current motion on the floor.
- Mayor confirmed a motion was made to postpone to next meeting. All in favor, none opposed.

7. a. Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code and section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct on personnel matters involving former employee J. Cerda.

b. Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of TCOLE Certified Reserve Texas Peach Officer.

c. Reconvene from Executive Sessions with possible deliberation and actions on items discussed in the Executive Session.

- Mr. Wilkerson made motion to move item 7b to the front of discussion so that he may recuse himself from discussion of item 7a. Mrs. Parker second.

Council convened to executive session at 8:02 P.M.

Council reconvened from Executive Session at 8:30 P.M.

7b. Mr. Gipson made motion to approve Chief Rodriguez recommendation to hire Mr. Rodriguez as a reserve officer. Mr. Ruskiewicz second, Mr. Wilkerson abstained. None opposed.

8. Comments/Mayor's final comments

- Mr. Wilkerson requested page numbers for future budget worksheets.
- Mayor indicated all corrections to proposed budget would be made that evening and emailed to council members.
- Mr. Ruskiewicz requested council members bring any future errors found in the proposed budget to the city's attention prior to the meeting.
- Mayor confirmed but cautioned while we want to expedite the process, we want to get it right.

9. Date of the next workshop will be August 18, 2020.

10. Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Wilkerson, Mrs. Vandever second, all in favor, none opposed.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracie Martin – Court Clerk/Asst. City Secretary

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Keith L. Harvey - Mayor

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BE IT REMEMBERED that on August 25, 2020, the City Council met in City Hall with the following members present: Council Members Charlie Gipson, Betty Parker, John Wilkerson, Mack Ruskiewicz.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. and the following business was conducted:

1. Roll Call- Mrs. Vandever was not present.
2. Council Member Mayor Harvey Led the Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance/Pledge to the Texas Flag

### **Non-Action Items**

4. Citizens Comments –

- Wayland Allen  
Good evening Council,  
I would like to know when the meetings are going to be opened back up to the public. The cities around Kempner are already open! As it is right now the video feed only works about a quarter of the time and when it does no one can hear a word that you all say.  
Wayland Allen  
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254-394-4508  
Wayland Allen  
Sergeant First Class (Ret)  
US ARMY  
Purple Heart and Bronze Star Recipient (Iraq)
- Lloyd Smith  
Both Agenda and Non-agenda

Good evening Council. I wanted to take this opportunity to voice what many in the community think about the additional funding for the Fire Department. I fully support the funds and hope that you will approve of the item on the agenda this evening. They provide unbelievable service to the community at large, and any support that can be provided, no matter the size, is something we all should

endear to do. I know it isn't much, but as soon as I heard of their addition to the Amazon Smile program, I have switched all of my purchasing through that program to give back to the community.

I wanted to pose two questions to the council, and I hope someone speaks to these in the closing comments, as I am sure many citizens have spoken to you all on these—the first deals with the meeting restrictions. We are sending our children to in-person classes, and yet our council meetings are closed to the public. How can it be perfectly acceptable for children to go to school, but our elected leaders seem to hide from the public? We are asking for anything that other local governments are not already doing.

The second item has to deal with open records requests. I applaud Hayleigh for her efforts in trying to deal with these requests, and she has been extremely easy to work with on these requests. However, I have a real issue, as should all of you, with the fact information requests, are delayed in their return to the citizens. For example, I have submitted several requests in June of this year, and I have only received a few of them back. When I ask about the status, I am told they are with the mayor and the city attorney. I have been extremely patient in this process, and I again cannot fault Hayleigh as she has no control over when the information is given to her, but over two months is absurd. In that period, I have been able to request and receive all open record requests submitted to the AG's office by the city for exemption. A total of 481 pages returned to me. While I have not finished going through them all, there is a disturbing trend with exemption requests. Then a withdrawal of that request being submitted or additional information requested for the AG's office to make a ruling is never provided. This appears on the surface to fall under the category most former military recognize as Fraud, Waste, and Abuse. There might not be any fraud happening; there is a waste of taxpayer funds on sending all requests to the city attorney and an abuse of the system with virtually all requests being submitted for exemption. Please remember each request is submitted for exemption, there is a legal charge incurred by the city.

## 5. Reports

- City (Mayor)- no reports.
- Presentations given out due to hard work and donating time and effort to helping the city.

Ken Shirley

Marcus Stintson

Hayleigh Robello



Austin Talasek  
Brian Parker

## ACTION ITEMS

### 6. Consent Items.

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- a. Consider approval of the minutes from the Council meeting held on August 11, 2020.
  - Mrs. Parker moves to approve the minutes.
  - Mr. Ruskiewicz seconds that motion.
  - Three in favor (Gipson, Parker, Ruskiewicz), one abstained (Wilkerson), motion carries.

### 7. a. Consider approval of the additional \$2000.00 to the Kempner Volunteer Fire Department.

- Mr. Wilkerson moves to make a motion to approve item 7a.
- No second, motion dies. The floor is open for discussion.
- Mr. Wilkerson asked to have Chief House step forward with his concerns and needs.
- Mayor answers we are currently in discussion from the council at this current time, are there any questions?
- Mr. Wilkerson stated I understand that we give the fire department money every year and that we help them out with fundraisers but I think everybody has been witnessed to what the fire department does and the equipment that they need for certain things are having failure issues and they have reached out to myself and the fellow council members for additional help and I would hope the rest of the council would see this as a public safety matter and address it accordingly.
- Mrs. Parker states I think most of us here recognize how important this is and don't have any problems knowing that they have a great need. I just have a question concerning where the \$2,000.00 is going to be taken out of for this. I just want to know for the sake of the people where this \$2,000.00 is coming from. Are any of the other agencies involved and helping out beyond what is asked of them? I hope that is a fair question to be answered.
- Mayor states the question of where the money is going to come from the money is going to come out of the General Fund. There is no such thing as we have money in savings so let's take it out of savings that is not how the city operates. So if this was to be approved it would come out of the general fund. What was your next question, Mrs. Parker?

- Mrs. Parker states I was going to ask Chief House if he has approached the local businesses in the area if they would also help to sponsor or make donations what way does he have for the families in the local community to help support the fire department.
- Mayor states for Chief House to come to the podium and address the council.
- Chief House states the question you asked is where do we get our funding from? Well, this past year we received 89,327 from the county. We have a bbq auction that is where we approach all the local businesses and when we do control burns is also a way to raise money and we also go on the street corners with signs to raise money. During this year we have done a multitude of things for the City of Kempner like fires, accidents, and medical assist calls. 41 calls we made in the city 235 in the county. 30% of calls are coming to this City.
- Mayor asks what the number was again?
- Chief house answers with 235 responses.
- Mayor says okay so 41 in the City of Kempner. So how many call in Lampasas, Copperas Cove, and Coryell County.
- Chief House states I do not have that breakdown with me but if you would like it I can send it to you. The majority of calls are in the county but we do have mutual aids in Coryell and Bell. They do mutual aides to help us as well.
- Mayor states I would like to know what you did for Kempner not how many responses but what do you do for the city. We understand what the Kempner Volunteer Fire Department means to the City of Kempner we want to see the Fire department flourish. With that being said I have another question concerning a truck off 2808 the foam truck and that truck technically operates with 7 to 10 times more power than the regular engine. If you were to use that truck are we using the non-canserous foam? Also how often does this truck deploy considering it so powerful?
- Chief House states about 50% of the time not everyone lives in that direction. Most of our population of volunteers is the other direction. It just depends on where the call is at.
- Mayor asks the engine holds about how much water?
- Chief House states about 500 gallons.
- Mayor states okay I know you've been in here several times about needing to get more water and fire hydrants not being there. Versus the foam truck which is 7 to 10 times more powerful.
- Chief states yes, we use both so whatever truck gets there first initiates putting the fire out then when the other truck gets there we use both to put a structure fire out. Depending on where depends on what truck we take.
- Mayor asks what is the difference in distance between the fire stations?
- Chief House states 5 miles.
- Mayor asks so the firefighters dispatch and goes to the closest station to dispatch a truck?
- Chief House answers yes with the exception of the cadets so until they become a firefighter they cannot pull a truck out.

- Mayor states okay I'm just trying to get the full spectrum so our citizens can understand. With that being said where do most of your volunteers live?
- Chief House states most live off of 3300. Of course, volunteers come and go but the majority live in 3300. Also some on 2657 and 2808.
- My biggest thing is that you have older trucks here. People that live on 2808 closer to the other truck that can dispatch it. I just want to make sure we are maximizing the use of the equipment.
- Chief house states the reason the foam truck is there is because of population density and we do switch them out from time to time. My plan was if we do get a new engine then we will put it here in this station and we are in the process of building a new fire station five miles west. The older engine is here but the tenor and the brush truck and a booster truck are here.
- Mayor states I can understand that looking at historical data. I am mainly talking about the engine itself and the fact that we use the older engine more than the foam truck. The foam truck is a powerful truck and how many people are qualified to run that truck?
- Chief House states 18 out of 31 including cadets.
- Mayor restates so 18 out of 31 are qualified to run the truck and move the truck. My reason for the council on why I'm asking about the foam truck is because it's a powerful truck. I'm just saying personally you have a truck that breaks down a lot but you have a foam truck there that is more powerful and 13 years old? I just want to know why it's sitting? The county gives you your budget and you're saying you recieved \$89,000 from the county and they have a line item in their budget for your repairs and maintenance just like we have a line item for the police vehicles. So why is the county not answering?
- Mr. Gipson states I appreciate your questions and I agree with you but at the same time I look at we have two stations right now and a concern of mine is does that station sit in the City of Kempner?
- Chief house answers no.
- Mr. Gipson goes on to ask are those home within Copperas Cove response area and are they paying taxes to Copperas Cove and I know it's not far from the city limits to that station and I know its not long until the Copperas Cove engulfs that station. I do support the Kempner Volunteer Fire Department completely. When this City first became a city it is because we didn't want Cove to engulf us or assist us in any way and now I see that our other station is in their bedroom. We have difficulty manning two stations right now and you want help from the city for another engine so how in the world can yall look at building another station.
- Mayor states I totally support the fire department and all you're trying to do. But again my views and thoughts have nothing to do with the \$2,000.00 dollars. The equipment needs to be fully mission capable. What I don't understand is you have a line item on a budget and you are not getting assistance.

- Chief House states I am pulling money from other line items and I am pulling the money from fundraisers. I have approached the county in the past but I am negative in repairs and I would like to replace that old one right here. I was hoping the city would help replace that one with payments. We do grants we do all of that. We can't stop expansion. The one we are wanting to build is nothing fancy just a small two-bay station because whose to say what's going to happen in 5 to 10 years from now. If yall can afford to help then please do. If yall cannot I understand. We won't quit doing runs its not going to stop us. If yall can afford the 4200 annually that will help us protect yall better not just to sit in the bank I am also sending people to EMT school. When they show up they will show up with the knowledge and equipment. So we can help protect yall better. I won't ever stop and that is basically why I'm here today.
- Mayor asks so your saying 4200 annually?
- Chief House states I don't know what is in your budget for next year I'm saying for this year.
- Mayor sates this 2000 dollars is just a one-time thing.
- Mr. Wilkerson states from my understanding and conversations yes it is just a one time request.
- Mayor states yall service anyone I've been in the military and whenever someone needs assistance we help. Much like yall, you help where you need to assist. So it's not us that your just helping it's so yall can respond in a timely manner with the equipment you need. Your budget comes from the county correct? So your saying that the county where you get your operating budget from giving you the 89000 and we only give 2200. There suppose to take of you. At least we are doing everything we can. I just want us to have gratitude versus attitude. Those are the things that stuck out to me.
- Mr. Gipson states I think you and every one of your firefighters should receive certificates much like the ones given tonight because of the service yall give to the city. 30 years ago these people came out of the kindness of their hearts and if we didn't have that around here it would be a terrible place. I have been around enough of these individuals to know they want to be out there and help and want to do good and no one in here thinks that we want someone's house to burn down. Also, we know you need the right equipment to service these individuals. We have money in the general fund to help out and use from time to time and 2000 isn't much to give to such an important entity. With that being said I move to make a motion to give the 2000 to the fire station to help them.
- Mayor states you are correct there is money in the general fund I don't see an issue for a one-time payment.
- Mr. Ruskiewicz states thank you chief for coming out again. I appreciate it once again. I know you called me about the need for funding to make it to May of next year.
- Chief House goes on to say he did say that under the impression that the city would be funding a new fire truck. If the city does not then yes it would go to repairs and I would

still be dealing with the truck and its repairs. We annually test our equipment and our hoses. We operate to the best of our ability.

- Mr. Ruskiewicz asks I have taken that we are putting the fire truck on the ballot.
- Chief House states that I believe was in one of yalls discussions in a meeting that you all had.
- Mr. Ruskiewicz states that he did bring up your request to the city and put to all the Kempner Fire Department the city has a municipal obligation that is our line items and we have to take care of them. The park is usually a budget loss but his year the park has brought in funds. We all support you and are grateful for what you do so I say if we have the fund in the General Fund then we should give it to them.
- Mr. Wilkerson states that we have a motion on the floor and when the time is available I would like to second the motion on the floor.
- Mr. Ruskiewicz makes amotion to approve the funding to the Kempner Volunteer Fire Department.
- Mr. Wilkerson seconds the motion.
- All in favor, Motion Carries.
- Mrs. Parker comments thank you so much for answering our questions we owe it to the people to ask them and I thank you.

#### 8. Staff Comments

- Mr. Wilkerson asks is there a way to have in-person council meetings? I know you are up to date on the COVID restrictions and I understand if we cannot meet the six feet restrictions but maybe we can wear a mask and if we all do wear masks then can we open the meetings back up?
- Mayor states I haven't been on my computer so is there any information that I need to know about?
- Mr. Wilkerson states that why can't we as council members wear our masks and not maintain a six-foot and people come in with a mask.
- Mr. Ruskiewicz states that the one concern is that a lot of our council members are at high risk because of age.
- Mayor states to answer your question I am following and will continue to follow what the Governor puts out, what Dr. Hay puts out, and what the county puts out regarding COVID regulations. Even with the events I had, I took their recommendations on how to proceed. It does zero in on the elderly and we cant put them at risk.
- Mr. Gipson states I appreciate the concerns about returning to an open meeting and I wish the community could return as soon as possible and we are looking forward to the community returning to the meetings and our biggest concern is the safety and wellbeing and of us and the citizens. The public hearing is coming up though and my thought is to maybe find a more suitable place in the community to hold it so the citizen can come and

we can still meet the COVID guidelines because I think the community deserves to hear it maybe we can use the fire station or the community center that's just something to think about.

- Mr. Ruszkiewicz states I think that is a reasonable idea we also have to take into consideration anyway we look at using another facility it is a good idea because we will have part of our citizens in there but not everyone will be able to attend that either so we will still have to look at the sound.
- Mayor states I hear you and you can hear me but when it comes to devices your going to have some issues that's just that we are not a convention that has high power software and wants the people here but we have to understand that the world is complying so what makes Kempner think they don't have to comply. We have so many issues here that we did not have before. I mean no one wanted to come for 23 years when we weren't at risk unless it was time for the budget or the audit. So it's good to see people that are concerned about the city and I'm glad they're here now but we are going to comply they may not like it but we are going to comply.
- Mr. Gipson states when I look into the community and I see schools reopening, grocery stores opening as long as they're taking the certain measures and you can look at videos of festivals and there having fun with no masks so we can come together in large numbers as long as we are wearing masks no one is stopping them from doing essential things as long as we are taking the safety measures and being cautious that's why I recommend to us the fire station or the community center a bigger place then the space we have in here a public hearing is just that for the public and If we cannot maintain the six-foot distance then we take the certain necessary measures to maintain a safe environment.
- Mayor states I know what the public hearing is and I know what it means I will do everything I can to get the public involved and I don't care what Walmart, HEB, the schools are doing all I care about is what the county puts out and what the Govenrer puts out. Everyone has challenges and this isn't normal what is normal now is we can allow ten people in hear and they will be spread out and we are going to do everything we are instructed to do and I'm glad people want to come in now whatever their reason may be.
- Mrs. Parker states that one thing that was said a lot on Facebook is when we had the blood drives people said not to come because it's not safe when they to extraordinary measures to make sure it was safe and sanitized. The school teachers cant go back because they can't keep up with sanitizing everything. I don't know how people are working it out and it would be good to find a way to get the people back in here and it will take time and us putting our heads together still comply and figure something out. What other cities and counties are doing is none of our business there was a lot of people at the park on Saturday and that was their choice when we have been getting complaints to not have anything because it's not safe but this is a planned event so will the comments

remain the same I know everything is a mess right now but we need to take into consideration what's best for our community and adhering to the government's guidelines.

- Mr. Ruskiewicz states that the coronavirus is a mutation and it does hit the young and the old but the reason I bring it up I because 80% of the deaths are in ages 65 and older and that's a very serious concern of mine and it should be to everyone over the age of 65.
- Mayor states thank you for the stats but no one should lose there life. I have a job to do and I will comply and I will seek ways we can have the members of this city in the public hearing so with that being said I have heard your concerns and my final comments will simply be our office hours 9-3:30 so please do not send the city secretary and email after closing time to tell us you are not going to be here. We wrap everything up at 3:30and she will not checker email till the following day so preferably if you're not going to be hear tell her before noon and you don't have to give us an excuse I don't care about your integrity or character but don't give us a reason and you're somewhere else not where you said.

9. The date of the next regularly scheduled meeting will be September 8, 2020.

10. Adjournment. Mr. Wilkerson moves to make a motion to adjourn, Mrs. Parker seconds. Three in favor (Parker, Wilkerson, Ruskiewicz) one opposed (Gipson). Meeting Adjourned.

ATTEST: Hayleigh Robello

Hayleigh Robello –City Secretary

APPROVED: Dr. Keith L. Harvey

Dr. Keith L. Harvey- Mayor