

**CITY OF KEMPNER  
P. O. BOX 660  
KEMPNER, TX 76539**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL WILL CONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION AT 7:00 P.M., JANUARY 24, 2017, IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 12288 E. HWY 190, KEMPNER, TEXAS.**

**AGENDA**

1. Call meeting to order.

**ITEMS FOR ACTION BY COUNCIL**

2. Approve minutes from regular meeting held January 10, 2017.
3. Accounts Payable to be approved for payment.
4. Approve Financial Statements for period ending December 31, 2016.
5. Approve Arbor Day Proclamation.
6. Approve revision to Technology Fund Ordinance.

**NON-ACTION ITEMS**

7. Citizen's Communication – three (3) minutes are allowed to address council.  
CITIZENS MUST SIGN IN WITH CITY SECRETARY PRIOR TO MEETING.
8. Items by Mayor:
  - a. Next City Council meeting-February 14, 2017.
  - b. Volunteer Fire Department BBQ- March 4, 2017.
  - c. Arbor Day Ceremony-January 27, 2017 at 1:00 pm. Clear Creek Baptist Church

**ITEM FOR ACTION BY COUNCIL**

10. Adjourn.

**If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in closed meeting, the Council will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551: Litigation and Attorney Consultation 551.071; Real Property 551.072; Contract for Gift to City 551.073; Personnel Matters 551.074; Deliberation regarding Security Devices 551.076; Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding official will publicly identify the section or sections of the ACT authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.**

**CERTIFICATION OF POSTING**

**I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE OF MEETING WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT KEMPNER CITY HALL, KEMPNER, TEXAS ON THIS THE 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017, BEFORE 3:30 P.M.**

**Stacy Roberts**  
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Stacy Roberts, Ass't City Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS \*  
COUNTY OF LAMPASAS \*  
CITY OF KEMPNER \*

BE IT REMEMBERED that on January 24, 2017, the City Council met in a regular session with the following members present: Mayor Carolyn Crane; Council members Steven Martin, Robert McKinnon, Bob Crane, Clifton Morse, and Melba Vandever.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and the following business was transacted:

Council Member Morse made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held January 10, 2017. Council Member McKinnon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Crane made a motion to approve the accounts payable as presented. Council Member Vandever seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member McKinnon made a motion to accept the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2016. Council Member Crane seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member McKinnon made a motion to approve the Arbor Day Proclamation. Council Member Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Carolyn Crane called an election for May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017, for Mayor, Place 2, 3 and 4. Council Member Crane made a motion to approve the order for election. Council Member Morse seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Crane stated the Election Contract with Lampasas County is almost exactly the same as last year. Mayor Crane added that the election voting dates and times will be posted on the bulletin board and in the newspaper. The potential cost for the election would be an approximate 3% increase from last year. Council Member Crane made a motion to approve the Election Contract with Lampasas County. Council Member McKinnon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Citizen Keith Harvey addressed the council regarding Emergency Services for the Kempner area. He mentioned that there were 13 structure fires in the past year. He also raised concerns for the age of Kempner's Volunteer Fire Department's equipment, as well as concerns for the funding of the same.

Council Member McKinnon asked Mr. Harvey how he would propose to fund those concerns and added that Kempner's Fire Department is a volunteer department. Mr. Harvey stated that Chapters 775 and 776 in the Texas Health and Safety Code lays out what can be done with a tax.

Mayor Crane asked Mr. Harvey if he could specify if the structure fires within the past year were in the city limits of Kempner, or within the Kempner community. Mr. Harvey responded that he could not pin point if all or how many were in Kempner's city limits.

Mayor Crane stated that she would look into his concerns and would appreciate any notes that he had and would like to share on that matter.

Mayor Crane stated the next council meeting will be February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Mayor Crane brought the council's attention to the flyers for the Kempner Volunteer Fire Department annual Auction and BBQ. The Auction and BBQ will be held on March 4, 2017.

Mayor Crane stated that the Arbor Day Ceremony will take place on January 27, 2017, at 1:00 p.m., and will be held at the Clear Creek Baptist Church on County Road 2657.

Mayor Crane mentioned to the council members that the TML Handbook for Mayors and Council Members were made available to them.


Mayor Crane stated that the Police Department was able to have a cage installed in one of the PD vehicles, and is available to view in the City Hall's parking lot.


Council Member Vandever asked what happened to the flag pole outside of City Hall. Mayor Crane responded that the rope broke, and Council Member Crane is in the process of fixing it.

Council Member Martin made a motion to adjourn. Council Member McKinnon seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

  
Lisa Campanella, City Secretary

  
Carolyn Crane, Mayor