

CITY OF KEMPNER

**REGULAR CALL MEETING
TUESDAY, July 27, 2021, AT 7:00 PM**

**Notice is hereby given:
THE CITY COUNCIL WILL CONVENE IN A REGULAR MEETING IN COUNCIL
CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 12288 E. Hwy 190 Kempner, Texas 76539.**

1. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGES TO FLAGS

2. NON-ACTION ITEMS

- A. Citizen Comments. Any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.

This is an opportunity for members of the public to suggest the addition of topics for the discussion or to address topics of interest, with presentation limited to three (3) minutes. All speakers will conduct themselves in an orderly and lawful manner. No profane or threatening language will be tolerated. All speakers will be recognized prior to speaking and will announce their name for the minutes purpose.

- B. Awards Presentation by the Mayor

- C. Reports

- City Financial Update – Jack Clark or designee
- Staff Report - Presented by the City Manager or designee
- Police Report – Presented by the Police Chief or designee
- Mayor

3. ACTION ITEMS

The Council will discuss and take possible actions on the following:

- A. Consider Approval of the Lampasas County Appraisal District’s 2022 fiscal year budget.
- B. Consider approval of the minutes from the Council Meeting held on July 13, 2021.
- C. Consider approval of Ordinance No. 2021-07-27-001

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF KEMPNER, TEXAS FOR THE 2020 – 2021 FISCAL YEAR AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, OPEN MEETINGS, PENALTY AND EFFECTIVE DATE CLAUSES.

D. Consider approval of a budget calendar for fiscal year 2021-2022.

4. **NON-ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Staff Comments
- B. Mayor/Council Comments
- C. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – August 10, 2021.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

All items on the agenda are for discussion and/or action. The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices,) and 551.086 (Economic Development).

The City of Kempner is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Reasonable accommodations and equal access to communications will be provided to those who provide notice to the City Secretary at (254)698-6335 at least 48 hours in advance.

Agenda Posted on Friday, July 23, 2021 on or before 5:00 pm.

Posted by: David Williams, City Manager

STATE OF TEXAS *

COUNTY OF LAMPASAS *

CITY OF KEMPNER *

BE IT REMEMBERED that on July 27, 2021, the City Council met in City Hall with the following members present: Mayor John (JW) Wilkerson, Council Members Vance Rodgers, Jared Jones, Rob Green, Dan Long.

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

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledges to the Flags

Roll Call conducted by Mayor John (JW) Wilkerson and the following members are present: Place 1 (Vance Rodgers), Place 2 (Jared Jones), Place 3 (Rob Green), and Place 4 (Dan Long). Place five (Melba Vandever) was not present.

Mayor John (JW) Wilkerson led the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance/Pledge to Texas Flag.

2. Non- Action Items

Citizens Comments-

- Pastor Denise Noseworthy wanted to introduce herself as the new Pastor for United Methodist Church.

Awards Presentation by Mayor John (JW) Wilkerson.

- Awards are given to Chief Eddie Rodriguez of the Kempner Police Department and to Deputy Barrera of the Lampasas County Sheriff's Office.

Reports by City Manager David Williams.

- A review of our payroll taxes showed that the city had failed to pay the proper amount of payroll taxes owed to the federal government starting in Quarter 3 of 2020. All payroll has been reviewed and the correct payments have now been made. In quarter 3 of 2020, we were \$1,455.91 short, in quarter 4 of 2020 we were \$1,558.27 short, and in quarter 1 of 2021, we were \$3,443.24 short. In total, we were \$6,447.42 short. That has all be caught up, since we caught this ourselves, we are hopeful that no penalties will arise from it but we cannot be sure until tax season next year.
- I am working with our Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) contact Albert Barber to get our funding from the American Rescue Plan. This is

looking at being potentially over \$282,000 for the city. We will hopefully see ½ of the funds before the end of the fiscal year as soon as the application process is complete. I will be coming to the council for advice on how you'd like to see these funds used. We will receive the other half next year. I have confirmed they have all of our forms have been submitted and we have been preliminarily approved, we are awaiting on

- Multiple companies and organizations as well as individuals have donated to The City of Kempner School Supply Drive, including The Carlson Law Firm 400 erasers, 100 pencils and \$750, Fan's Automotive is giving away free state inspections and \$7 off of oil changes to those that donate, Mountain Laurels Housekeeping donated bags and donated a deep clean of city hall they did last Friday. Centex Golf carts donated a bunch of supplies as has Paul Miceli and others. Our drop off locations at Dollar General and The Log Cabin and Jesse Dallas Boutique have been doing great, this cities generosity is boundless. Please forgive me if I have forgotten to list anyone specifically all donations are helpful. Please encourage those that can to donate supplies, we are using the Lampasas ISD school supply list. Backpacks will be given out in Sylvia Tucker Memorial Park August 6. After meeting with
- Tomorrow July 28, 2021 the Kempner Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting a free inspection of car seats, the inspection will be done by qualified safety experts. Studies have found almost 2/3 seats are installed incorrectly so please encourage anyone with a car seat to attend this event. It is open to everyone that shows up and if a car seat is found to be damaged, have a recall or for some other reason be unsafe, while supplies last they will be replaced at no charge. To make sure we have enough professionals and car seats please encourage citizens to mark coming on the event on the city Facebook page.
- Big thank you to Lampasas Radio for donating their time working with us to improve the sound quality of our meetings.

3. Action Items

A. Consider approval of the Lampasas County Appraisal District's 2022 fiscal year budget.

- Susan Jones Chief Appraiser from the Lampasas County Appraisal District came to speak regarding their annual budget.
- Place three, Rob Green makes a motion to approve the 2022 budget for Lampasas County Appraisal District.
- Place two, Jared Jones seconds the motion.
- All in favor, motion carries.

B. Consider approval of the minutes from the Council Meeting held on July 13, 2021.

- Place one, Vance Rodgers makes a motion to approve the minutes from July 13, 2021.
- Place three, Rob Green seconds the motion.
- Place one, Vance Rodgers, place three, Rob Green, and place four, Dan Long approve. Place two, Jared Jones abstained. Motion carries.

C. Consider approval of the Ordinance No. 2021-07-27-001.

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- Place three, Rob Green makes a motion to approve the Ordinance No. 2021-07-27-001.
- Place one, Vance Rodgers seconds the motion.
- All in favor, motion carries.

D. Consider approval of a budget calendar for the fiscal year 2021-2022.

- No action was taken.

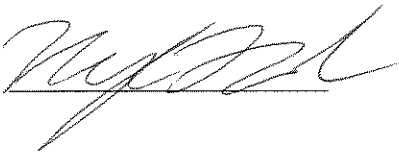
4. Non- Action Items

Mayor's final comments

- Mayor John (JW) Wilkerson states that he was informed that all the emails from the previous Mayor Keith Harveys account had been deleted and this is illegal and a Class B misdemeanor, according to the Texas Government Code. As a result, the Mayor has directed the City Manager to ensure this matter would be properly investigated by law enforcement. We will also be sending out a press release regarding this matter.

5. Adjournment

- Place two, Jared Jones makes a motion to adjourn.
- Place four, Dan Long seconds
- All in favor, the meeting is adjourned.

ATTEST: 

Hayleigh Robello –City Secretary

APPROVED: 

John (JW) Wilkerson- Mayor