

City of Kress
Meeting Minutes
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Amparo Becerra called the meeting to order at 5:57 P.M.

ROLL CALL

- Mayor Amparo Becerra
- Heidi Tiffin (City Secretary)
- Lupe Reyes
- Deelane Buske
- Michelle Wheeler
- Galan Owen
- Tony Moralez (City Administrator)

SPECIAL GUEST

- Asst. Chief Ben Rojas (Kress VFD)
- Fire Fighter Zach Garcia (Kress VFD)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

City Secretary Heidi Tiffin read the minutes from the last meeting. Michelle Wheeler made a motion to approve the minutes; a second was made by Deelane Buske. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Galan Owen made a motion to approve the Financial Statement; a second was made by Michelle Wheeler. The motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Assistant Chief Ben Rojas was out on a medical call. He did show up late and advised us that in the last month they had 1 motor vehicle with injuries and that we have been in a Red Flag warning most of the month due to how dry it is and how bad the wind has been blowing. Ben advised that Chief Angel Fuentes has been the one handling the proposal on Engine 1, so he did not have any updates on that. He advised that we were working towards getting all the plans wrapped up for Shattered Dreams for April 21st & 22nd.

MUNICIPALITY REPORT

Police Chief Kenny Hughes was absent from meeting due to having pneumonia.

WATER TOWER UPDATE

City Secretary Heidi Tiffin advised the Council that we were waiting on USDA and Bond Counsel to get all the closing paperwork done, and then the Engineers would send it out for bids.

SKUNK

City Administrator Tony Moralez advised the Council that we set traps for the residents when they complain about skunks and then we catch them and he shoots them with a 22. City Secretary Heidi Tiffin explained that we do get complaints on shooting them and explained there was traps we could get and we would not have to shoot them. City Administrator Tony Moralez advise that he thinks the way we are doing it is fine. The Council discussed it and decided we would keep it how it is for now.

SNOW PLOW

City Council Member Galan Owen discussed that he feels we need to have a means of cleaning the City Streets when it snows and how at Wal-Mart they had a pick-up with a plow that cleans their parking lots and truck bays. City Administrator Tony Moralez advise that we had a snow plow down at the Waste Water Ponds that hooks on to our tractor that we use when we need it and that we ordered new shoes for it at the beginning of Winter.

WASTE WATER POND GATE

Mayor Amparo Becerra advised that we needed to keep the gate at the Waste Water Ponds closed and locked at all time due to liability, and we were unable to do this due to the condition of the gates we needed to get them fixed.

SPRING CITY CLEAN-UP

Mayor Amparo Becerra open-up discussion on a Spring Clean-up day. She advised that how we have been doing it was if someone calls and needs to get rid of stuff then the City Employees would go pick it up and they were also making sweeps down the alley ways a couple times a week and picking up anything that was left out. The Council all agreed that what has been done has been working so just to keep it that way for now.

APPROVAL OF SCAD BOARD MEMBER

Deelane Buske made a motion that we approve Mike Goss for our SCAD Board Member representative; a second was made by Lupe Reyes. The motion carried.

ELECTION JUDGE/ALT JUDGE

Lupe Reyes made a motion that we elect Ester Mount as May 6 Election Judge, Olga Adame as May 6 Alt Judge, and Felicita Quevedo as May 6 Election Clerk; a second was made by Michelle Wheeler. The motion carried. Mayor Amparo Becerra was going to get with them and let them know. She discussed with us on paying them \$10/ hour, which the school might pay half depending on if they have to have an election or not.

PERSONNEL


Mayor Amparo Becerra asked the Council Members if they had anything for Personnel and they all agreed they did not. City Secretary Heidi Tiffin did advise if they had any question at any time feel free to come in and see her or call her with anything.

NEXT MEETING

Mayor Amparo Becerra advised that the next Council Meeting will be held on March 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Lupe Reyes made a motion to adjourn the meeting; a second was made by Deelane Buske. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.



City Secretary