

**MINUTES
MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SAN SABA
December 14, 2020**

Members in attendance were: Ken Jordan – Mayor
Robert Whitten – Mayor Pro-Tem
Shawn Oliver - Alderman
Oleta Behrens – Alderman
Marcus Amthor – Alderman
Michael Nelson – Alderman
Stan Weik – City Manager

Others present were: Sabrina Maultsby – City Secretary
Charlene Lindsay – City Treasurer
Scott Glaze – Public Works Supervisor
Bridgett Macedo – City Employee
Zane Churchill – City Employee
Djuana Payton – San Saba News & Star
Jason Phillips - Citizen

At 6:00 p.m. Mayor Jordan called the meeting to order, announced a quorum present, and Alderman Michael Nelson led the invocation and pledges.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PRESENTATIONS:

Zane Churchill, Utility Department Clerk, was selected as the Employee of the Month for December. Bridgett Macedo, Utility Billing Coordinator, and Alderman Michael Nelson presented Zane with a plaque with her name on it and a gift certificate to a local restaurant.

Luis Rios, Street Department Supervisor, was selected as the Supervisor of the Fourth Quarter. Luis was not present, but a gift certificate to a local restaurant and a plaque with his name on it will be presented at a later date.

CONSENT AGENDA:

On a motion by Alderman Shawn Oliver, seconded by Alderman Michael Nelson, Council unanimously approved the following: minutes from the November 10, 2020 Council Meeting; Payment of Bills; approved Resolution No. 2020-42 reappointing four members (Gail Bruner, Debbie Shahan, Karoline Jordan, and Sandra Vaughn) of the Keep San Saba Beautiful Commission, term up for renewal, January 2023; approved Resolution No. 2020-43 reappointing three members (Martha Leigh Whitten, Rick Baskin, and Jason Phillips) of the San Saba Economic Development Corporation up for renewal for terms expiring January 2023; approved Resolution No. 2020-44 reappointing five members (Cathy Amthor, Kynda Jordan, Debbie Shahan, Kevin Shahan, and Shawn Oliver) of the City of San Saba Parks Committee up for renewal term expiring December 2022; approved

Resolution No. 2020-45 a resolution reappointing one member (Linda Parks) of the City of San Saba Planning and Zoning Commission up for renewal for term expiring January 2024; and Approve changing the Council meeting dates in January, February, and March to second Monday; Monday, January 11th, 2021; Monday, February 8th, 2021; Monday, March 8th, 2021.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-42

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba, is the governing body of the Keep San Saba Beautiful Commission, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba has the authority to appoint directors to the Keep San Saba Beautiful Commission,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of San Saba hereby reappointing four members, Gail Bruner, Debbie Shahan, Karoline Jordan, and Sandra Vaughn for two-year terms to the Keep San Saba Beautiful Commission, with terms expiring January 2023.

Passed and approved this 14th day of December, 2020.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-43

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba, is the governing body of the San Saba Economic Development Corporation, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba has the authority to appoint directors to the San Saba Economic Development Corporation, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of San Saba hereby reappoints three members, Martha Leigh Whitten, Rick Baskin, and Jason Phillips for two-year terms to the San Saba Economic Development Corporation with terms expiring on January 2023.

Passed and approved this 14th day of December, 2020.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-44

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba, is the governing body of the City of San Saba Parks Committee, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba has the authority to appoint directors to the City of San Saba Parks Committee, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of San Saba hereby reappoints five members, Cathy Amthor, Kynda Jordan, Debbie Shahan, Kevin Shahan, and Shawn Oliver for two-year terms to the City of San Saba Parks Committee with the term expiring on December 2022.

Passed and approved this 14th day of December, 2020.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-45

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba, is the governing body of the City of San Saba Planning and Zoning Commission, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba has the authority to appoint directors to the City of San Saba Planning and Zoning Commission, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of San Saba hereby reappoints Linda Parks for a three-year term to the City of San Saba Planning and Zoning Commission with term expiring on January 2024.

Passed and approved this 14th day of December, 2020.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

The first action item was to discuss and consider approval of the Financial Audit. Kevin Shahan was present to present audit findings to the Council and answered questions. A copy of the Audit was provided to the Council Members, Letter to Management and Council, Audit Summary, and Financial Statements. Mr. Shahan thanked the Council and appreciate the opportunity to provide this service to the City. He explained that there were no significant deficiencies at the City of San Saba. Mr. Shahan explained that he did not encounter any difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing the City’s audit. He explained that management is always great and Charlene is easy to deal with. Mr. Shahan explained that Lease Funding has changed and Internal Controls are tested annually with no major issues. He said the Qualified Opinion was good. Mr. Shahan addressed the Council and said that a good indicator of the City’s financial health is the balance of the unrestricted net position, which increased in 2020. He explained that Government revenues increased from the prior year, Ad valorem tax, penalties, and franchise fee revenues increased, City Sales and use taxes decreased, Expenditures decreased, Capital expenditures increased, and debt service expenditures for principal and interest payments increased. Mr. Shahan explained, the City is very consistent and asked if anyone had any questions. Mayor Pro Tem Robert Whitten made a motion to approve the Audit as presented by Kevin Shahan, seconded by Alderman Oleta Behrens and was unanimously approved by the Council.

The second action item was to discuss and consider approval of Resolution No. 2020-46, a Resolution of the City of San Saba, Texas, regarding a Contract for the Purpose of Financing a “Sewer Cleaner”. City Manager Stan Weik explained to the Council that this was approved earlier as part of the Budget process however, approving this Resolution is a requirement of Government Capital who will be financing the equipment. Alderman Michael Nelson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-46, seconded by Alderman Shawn Oliver and was unanimously approved by the Council.

RESOLUTION No. 2020-46

A RESOLUTION REGARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING
"SEWER CLEANER".

WHEREAS, City of San Saba (the "Issuer"), desires to enter into that certain Finance Contract No. 9310, by and between the Issuer and Government Capital Corporation ("GCC") for the purpose of financing a "Sewer Cleaner". The Issuer desires to designate this Finance Contract as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" of the Issuer for the purposes of Section 265 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY CITY OF SAN SABA:

Section 1. That the Issuer will enter into a Finance Contract with GCC for the purpose of financing a "Sewer Cleaner".

Section 2. That the Finance Contract dated as of December 14, 2020, by and between the City of San Saba and GCC is designated by the Issuer as a "qualified tax exempt obligation" for the purposes of Section 265 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Section 3. That the Issuer appoints the City Manager or the City Manger's designee, as the authorized signer of the Finance Contract Number 9310 dated as of December 14, 2020, by and between the City of San Saba and GCC as well as any other ancillary exhibit, certificate, or documentation needed for the Contract.

Section 4. That should the need arise, if applicable, the City will use loan proceeds for reimbursement of expenditures related to the Property, within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.150-2, as promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

This Resolution has been PASSED upon Motion by Council Member Michael Nelson, seconded by Council Member Shawn Oliver by a vote of 5 to 0 and is effective this 14th day of December 2020.

The third action item was to discuss and consider approval of Resolution No. 2020-47, a Resolution of the City of San Saba, Texas, Expressing Support for House Bill No. 233 being proposed by Representative Andrew Murr during the 87th Legislative Session. City Manager Stan Weik addressed the Council and explained that State Representative Andrew Murr is proposing HB 233 that will amend HB 2439 to exempt cities with a population of less than 25,000. HB 2439 was adopted last year during the 86th Legislative Session and it was related to building materials. He also reminded the Council that a few years ago they passed an Ordinance stating that all buildings on Highway 190 and also on 16 were required to have Brick, Stucco, Rock, or a like material on the front of the building or the portion on the Building that faces the Highway and passing this Resolution will reinstate the City's Ordinance as it was prior to HB 2439, and Staff recommends approval.

RESOLUTION 2020-47

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAN SABA, TEXAS, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 233 BEING PROPOSED BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDREW MURR DURING THE 87TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, during the 86th Texas Legislative Session, House Bill 2439 was passed and added to the Texas Government Code as Chapter 3000. This Chapter generally prohibits cities in Texas from adopting or enforcing regulations regarding certain building products, materials, or methods as detailed in **Exhibit A**.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba believes these restrictions on the City's ability to regulate building materials within the city limits is detrimental to residential and commercial development in San Saba; and

WHEREAS, Representative Andrew Murr has introduced House Bill 233 for the 87th legislative session which will amend Government Code Chapter 3000, Section 1 (as detailed in **Exhibit B**) to exempt municipalities with a population of less than 25,000 from Chapter 300 of the Government Code.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of San Saba would like to formally express support for the proposed House Bill 233.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of San Saba, Texas:

1. The City Council hereby expresses support for House Bill 233 proposed by Texas State Representative Andrew Murr during the 87th Legislative Session to amend Texas Government Code Chapter 3000, Section 1 (adopted as House Bill 2439 during the 86th Legislative Session).
2. The meeting at which this Resolution was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

Passed and approved this 14th day of December, 2020, by a vote of the City Council of the City of San Saba, Texas.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Stan Weik gave a brief report on the following activities in the City of San Saba: First and Foremost, I would like to publicly thank Heath Eckerman, TexAir Owner for purchasing the life-size Nativity Scene and also thank Judge Theodosis and the Commissioners for allowing us to put it on the Courthouse lawn; be sure to visit Mill Pond Park, there are more lights than previous years; Ministerial Alliance will be handing out Goody bags at the edge of the road by the Father's House

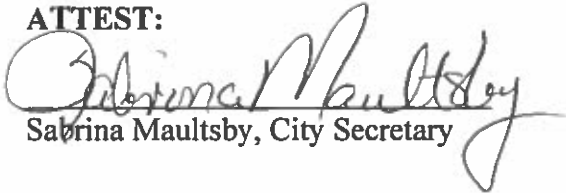
after the Parade, on Saturday as you are exiting Mill Pond Park; the New Street Sweeper is doing a great job; the City has had multiple complaints regarding the new Internet Café; our City has been very fortunate regarding COVID-19; there have been no complaints regarding the Drive-through COVID testing at the Civic Center.

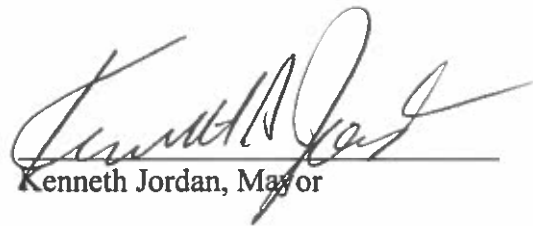
OTHER REPORTS

Scott Glaze, Public Works Director gave a brief update on the City's occurrences: things seem to be going really well and all Departments are staying busy.

As there was no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

ATTEST:


Sabrina Maultsby, City Secretary


Kenneth Jordan, Mayor