

**THE STATE OF TEXAS §**

**COUNTY OF SUTTON §**

**CITY OF SONORA §**

On this the 20th day of February, 2018 the City Council for the City of Sonora met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following to wit:

**MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:**

**Wanda Shurley, Mayor**  
**Juanita Barrera, Councilmember**  
**Cody Gann, Councilmember**  
**Norm Rousselot, Councilmember**  
**Manuel Martinez, Councilmember**

**STAFF:**

**Edward Carrasco, City Manager**  
**Belia Fay, City Secretary**  
**Betty Hernandez, OM/Assist City Secretary**  
**Art Fuentes, Chief of Police**

**Others attending were:** John Ivy, Clint Griffin, David Smith, Dusty Routh, John Graves, Charles BriggsSimms, Lionel Cervantez, Jr., Lorie Cervantez, Kimberly Meyer, Max Howorth and Joe David Ross

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Wanda Shurley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and delivered the Invocation followed by The Pledge of Allegiance to The United States Flag and The Texas Flag.

**PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AND UPDATES WERE PRESENTED:**

City Manager Ed Carrasco reported that a water study had been conducted and it resulted that the City's based rate is lower than most cities. Mr. Carrasco further reported that he is planning to schedule a workshop in June regarding the water study. He also introduced Mr. Clint Griffin who will be taking over Mr. Kosub's position as City Attorney.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion was made by Councilmember Barrera to approve the following items listed on the consent agenda:

- January 16, 2018 Regular Meeting
- Sonora Police Dept. Monthly Report
- Senior Center Monthly Report

Motion was seconded by Councilmember Gann and motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:**

**6f: REQUEST FROM SONORA CITY LEAGUE TO USE SOFTBALL FIELD:**

Pam Thorp with The Sonora City League requested to use the city softball field by the pool. It was the consensus of the Council that The Sonora City League has priority usage of the field and assured The Sonora City League that they have first choice.

**6a: 2016-2017 AUDIT:**

Dusty Routh with Coleman, Horton & Company presented the 2016-2017 City Audit. Councilmember Barrera made the motion to approve the audit and Councilmember Gann seconded the motion and motion passed with the following votes:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

**6b: CONTRACT- COLEMAN, HORTON & CO. TO CONDUCT THE 2017-18 AUDIT:**

The contract with Coleman Horton & Co. to conduct the 2017-2018 audit was approved upon a motion made by Councilmember Barrera and seconded by Councilmember Gann. The following votes were cast:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

**6c: \$5,000.00 BID ON A FORECLOSED DELINQUENT TAX PROPERTY:**

Councilmember Barrera made a motion to accept the bid for the amount of \$5,000.00 on the following foreclosed delinquent tax property: Block 66A, Lots 1-2, Label #RAD-0944585, South Heights, Address-503 Martin St. which will allow the property to be placed back on the tax roll. Councilmember Gann seconded the motion and it passed with the following votes:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

**6d: \$5,500.00 BID ON A FORECLOSED DELINQUENT TAX PROPERTY:**

Councilmember Barrera made a motion to accept the bid for the amount of \$5,500.00 on the following foreclosed delinquent tax property: NW 40' of Lot 5, Block 59A, South Heights Addition, Address-610 Orient St. which will allow the property to be placed back on the tax roll. Councilmember Gann seconded the motion and it passed with the following votes:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

**6e: \$5,555.00 BID ON A FORECLOSED DELINQUENT TAX PROPERTY:**

Councilmember Gann made a motion to accept the bid for the amount of \$5,555.00 on the following foreclosed delinquent tax property: Lot 7, Block W-35, Address-506 W. First St. which will allow the property to be placed back on the tax roll. Councilmember Martinez seconded the motion and it passed with the following votes:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

**6g: SONORA ECONOMIC DEVELOP CORP. 2017 AUDIT:**

Councilmember Barrera made the motion to approve The Sonora Economic Development Corp.'s Audit for the Fiscal Year 2017. Councilmember Gann seconded the motion and it passed with the following votes:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

**6h: 2018 NRA FOUNDATION GRANT AWARD:**

Motion accepting the 2018 NRA Foundation Grant Award for the amount of \$1,400.00 presented by Chief Fuentes was made by Councilmember Gann and seconded Councilmember Rousselot. Motion passed with the following votes cast:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

**6i: SONORA TOURISM STEERING COMMITTEE:**

***1. APPOINTMENT OF NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER:***

Councilmember Rousselot made the motion to appoint Councilmember Barrera to serve on the Sonora Tourism Steering Committee. Councilmember Gann seconded the motion and it passed with the following votes:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

***2. REVIEW NEW STATE REPORT ON HOT SPENDING BY CATEGORY:***

Max Howorth reported that the State is requiring that all municipalities that levy a local hotel occupancy tax (HOT) submit a report beginning in 2018. City Secretary Belia Fay stated that the report has already been submitted. No action was taken on this matter.

***3. REVIEW LATEST HOT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BUDGET POSITION:***

Max Howorth presented the Sonora Tourism Steering Committee Income Statement and the Monthly Income Hots Tax collected from April 2016 to January 2018. No action was taken.

***4. PROJECT FOR MUSIC FLOOD 2018:***

Councilmember Barrera made the motion to approve \$25,000.00 from the Sonora Hot Funds to the Chamber of Commerce for the 2018 Music Flood. Councilmember Gann seconded the motion and it passed with the following votes:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

***5. PROJECT FOR UPDATING VISITOR CENTER SIGNAGE:***

Councilmember Barrera made the motion to approve \$1,000.00 from the Sonora Hot Funds to the Chamber of Commerce for signage for Visitor Center. Councilmember Rousselot seconded the motion and it passed with the following vote:

**AYES: All members shown present**

**NAYS: None**

**7: REPORT AND OTHER INFORMATION: None**

**10: CITIZENS AND VISITORS' COMMENTS: None**

**ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mayor Shurley adjourned the meeting at**

**7:00 p.m. upon a motion made by Councilmember Barrera and seconded by Councilmember**

**Rousselot. Motion carried **unanimously.****

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