

KECHI CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 25, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Ashley Velazquez called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Council present: Ashley Velazquez, Matt Brewer, Brian Adams, and Rachel Trumbull.

City staff present: Kamme Sroufe, City Administrator; Andrew Kovar, City Attorney; Krista Brown, Deputy City Clerk; Jessie Woodrow, Chief of Police; and Thomas Bevan, Director of Public Works; Dustin Belton, City Planner; Matt Williams, PEC

Guests present: Taylor Messick; Von Rhodes

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Mayor Velazquez.

B. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda

1. Council Meeting Minutes August 11, 2022

Motion by Rachel Trumbull to approve the consent agenda was seconded by Matt Brewer and carried 3-0.

C. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Brian Adams to approve agenda with the addition of adding a 20-minute Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel to item VI. The motion was seconded by Rachel Trumbull and carried 3-0-0.

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Civic Groups/Committees - None

B. Kechi Good News – Mayor Velazquez said kids are back in school. Stated the Playhouse is finishing up its play and will be starting a new one. Kamme Sroufe introduced Dustin Belton, the city's new City Planner, to council. Mayor Velazquez also stated she has received good feedback from resident about Dustin Belton, that he was great to work with.

C. Public Forum - None

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCE #1800-22- CHANGE IN ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION FROM R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO C-1 ARTS & BUSINESS DISTRICT. Mayor Velazquez called item with no abstentions, quorum of 3, no protest. Council had reviewed the minutes. Matt Williams, PEC presented the case and recommends approval of the findings of the Planning Commission.

Motion by Brian Adams, moved to approve Case No. Z-2022-02 per the Planning Commission recommendation and adopt said recommendation and approve Ordinance No. 1800-22, which will be published upon being submitted and approved. Rachel Trumbull seconded motion which carried 3-0-0.

B. 2023 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

City Administrator, Kamme Sroufe stated the agenda item is to authorize the publication of the maximum property tax levy to fund the 2023 City of Kechi budget and establish a public budget hearing on September 22, 2022. The property tax rate, expressed in mills, is approximately 36.76 mills, based on the estimated assessed valuation.

Motion by Brian Adams to authorize the publication of the maximum property tax levy to fund the 2023 budget and notice of the public hearing on September 22, 2022. Seconded by Matt Brewer and carried 3-0-0.

IV. OLD BUSINESS - none

V. DISCUSSION

A. 2023 Budget - CA Kamme Sroufe discussed the Expenditure Assumptions for 2023 highlighting on the utility funding.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Brian Adams to enter into Executive Session for matters relating to Non-Elected Personnel for 20 minutes with the meeting to resume at 8:05pm. The motion was seconded by Rachel Trumbull and carried 3-0-0.

The meeting resumed at 8:05pm, and no binding action was taken.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A Special Meeting will be called for a budget workshop.

Motion made by Brian Adams to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Rachel Trumbull and carried 3-0-0. The time of recess was 8:15pm.

Signed: _____

Ashley Velazquez, Mayor

Attest: _____

Theresa Morlan, City Clerk