

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS
MAY 23, 2016

On May 23, 2016, the Kerrville City Council special meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor White in the city hall council chambers at 701 Main Street.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Bonnie White	Mayor
Gary F. Stork	Mayor Pro Tem
Stephen P. Fine	Councilmember
Gene Allen	Councilmember

COUNCILMEMBER ABSENT: None

CITY CORE STAFF PRESENT:

Todd Parton	City Manager
Mike Hayes	City Attorney
Kristine Day	Deputy City Manager
Brenda Craig	City Secretary
Sandra Yarbrough	Director of Finance
Kaitlin Berry	Special Projects Manager

VISITORS PRESENT: List on file in city secretary's office for the required retention period.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

Applications submitted to the city for the vacancy of Kerrville City Councilmember Place Two and appointment to said position

As a result of the May 7 election, Bonnie White was elected Mayor, resulting in a vacancy for the Councilmember Place Two Position. In accordance with the City Charter, Section 2.04, council shall appoint a qualified elector to fill a vacancy within 30 days after such vacancy occurs for the remainder of the unexpired term. Four applications were received and voter registration confirmed: Glenn Andrew, George Baroody, John Fleckenstein, and Justin MacDonald.

The following persons spoke:

1. George Baroody stated that he sent an email stating his case to all councilmembers individually and he provided a copy of the email for the record. He noted the agenda was posted to allow council to go into executive session under Section 551.074; however, he cited Section 551.074 (B) and stated that as a person being deliberated on, he requested that deliberation be in a public hearing.
2. Helen Herd opined that if Glenn Andrew was appointed he would follow the agenda of former Mayor Pratt who endorsed Mr. Andrew during the election. Mr. Allen and Mr. Stork received less than 40% of the total vote, 60% voted against them, and they both voted with Mr. Pratt on issues. She supported Mr. Baroody

and noted he was endorsed by four of his opponents from the last election. Mr. Baroody ran for council the past two years.

3. Robert Naman said he supported George Baroody and made a financial contribution to his campaign. Other applicants might have a conflict of interest on issues and council should seek someone who could compromise on issues.

4. Bill Morgan said he was an advocate for George Baroody and that Mr. Baroody was the top vote getter under the winners in the recent election; however, he opined that the other two would not have won if there had been only two in the race. He preferred that no one come on board that had a potential conflict of interest, which one did. He asked council to give the mayor at least a shot and have a 2 to 3 and not a 4 to 1.

Mayor White recommended deliberation be in public; council agreed.

Mayor White noted that the city was working with Mr. MacDonald on the workforce housing project and maybe other development options and he might have a conflict of interest on that matter.

She preferred to work with someone who ran for city council. She noted she and Mr. Andrew had a discussion before she filed to run for mayor and presented the option to him that he run for a council seat and she would support him and he would support her in the mayoral race and he was not interested in doing so.

Mayor White nominated George Baroody; the motion failed for lack of a second.

Mr. Stork moved to appoint Glenn Andrew to the Place Two seat; Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it passed 3 to 1 with Councilmembers Stork, Allen, and Fine voting in favor of the motion and Mayor White voting against the motion.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST:

Bonnie White, Mayor

Brenda G. Craig, City Secretary