

City of Meadowlakes Stated Meeting Minutes September 17, 2019

The City Council of the City of Meadowlakes held its Regular Meeting at Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall on September 17, 2019, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with the duly posted notice of said meeting.

Present:

Mary Ann Raesener, Mayor
Mike Barry, Councilmember
Barbara Peskin, Councilmember
Jerry Drummond, Councilmember
Eddie Wise, Councilmember
Gerry Mason, Councilmember

Staff:

Johnnie Thompson, City Manager
Evan Bauer, City Secretary
Debbie Holley, Treasurer
David Klotz, Head Golf Pro
Debbie Ingalsbe, Food and Beverage Manager

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION.** Mayor Raesener called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced the presence of a quorum.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER.** Mayor Raesener led Council and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Mason led the Council and guests in prayer.
- 3. CITIZEN COMMENTS.** Council heard comments from the following resident:

Russ Dennis – Mr. Dennis lives on the driving range and requested that the City pay more attention to the maintenance of it. For example, mowing, fertilizing, treating for weeds, and watering. He also requested that the exterior lighting on the restaurant building be adjusted.

- 4. MONTHLY STANDARD LIVE REPORTS:** The following live reports were given by staff:
 - A. Current Operations and Consent items.** Mr. Thompson briefed Council on operations, as well as consent items as follows:
 - 1. Ordinance & Animal Control** – Responded to 45 calls during August, mailed 114 ordinance violation letters. Over 80% of the violation letters were in reference to two violations, tree limbs hanging over the street less than 14 feet in height and visible trash cans from the road. He also issued 19 warning tickets, mainly for parking infractions, and four warning notices; two for unrestrained dog and the other two for parking a trailer/boat on the street designated time.
 - 2. Patrol Activity Report** - In August, 46 hours were logged, and 1 citation was issued for speeding; 38 in a 25 mph zone.
 - 3. Building Committee Report** – The City currently has 13 open building permits. In August,

the Building Committee issued two fence permits, and one permit for an arbor/pergola; three total.

- B. Golf Course** – David Klotz, Golf Course GM, reported that the golf course/restaurant is adjusting to their new point of sale system. The golf course maintenance department will begin over seeding and aerating the greens on Monday, 9/23. Mr. Klotz reported that since the summer, the golf course has sold 23, 10 round punch cards, and 25, 30 round punch cards; the punch cards are in lieu of golf course memberships. The total sales for the punch cards is approximately \$21,000. The golf course has signed a contract with Groupon to encourage more outside play. Upcoming golf tournaments are WGA's Tea Witch on 10/29, and the Marble Falls High School tournament on 11/11.
- C. Food & Beverage Operations** – Ms. Ingalsbe, restaurant manager, reported that she has several events on the books for the fall and holiday season; the Meadowlakes POA's annual meeting on 10/12, the Texas Tech Olli kick off, which is held twice a year, a breakfast and lunch for the WGA's Tea Which tournament, a surprise birthday party, Global MESA, a bridal shower luncheon, as well as several holiday parties. The restaurant will also be serving a brunch once a month, with the first one being on 9/22 from 10am – 2pm.

5. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A.** August City Council Meeting Minutes – Evan Bauer, City Secretary
- B.** Financial Reports for August 2019 - Johnnie Thompson, City Manager

After discussion, Councilmember Peskin requested that agenda item 6 – A of the August meeting minutes be amended to state that the POA will lease the pool from the City and operate it during the summer months for the duration of the contract. Councilmember Mason made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Wise, to approve the consent items with the amended change to the minutes. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. PUBLIC HEARING ON ESTABLISHMENT OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR 2019.** This was the second public hearing regarding the 2019 proposed tax rate. The first one was held on 9/10/19. Discussion was held over the proposed tax rate for 2019. City Manager, Johnnie Thompson, gave a brief presentation over the uses of ad valorem taxes, what property owner's taxes are used for, and how this will affect the average homeowner. A copy of this presentation can be viewed at City Hall.
- B. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES.** City Manager, Johnnie Thompson, gave a brief presentation over the FY20 proposed budget. A copy of his presentation can be viewed at City Hall.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion/Action: Ordinance 2019-05 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-05 WHICH ADOPTED THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS; EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING. After discussion, Councilmember Drummond made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-05 as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wise and carried with a 5 – 0 vote.
- B. Discussion/Action: Ordinance 2019-06 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE OFFICIAL BUDGET FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020; APPROPRIATING THE VARIOUS AMOUNTS THEREOF, PROVIDING FOR THE INVESTMENT OF FUNDS; AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES; PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: FINDINGS OF FACT; ENACTMENT; FILING OF THE BUDGET; EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING. After discussion and the reading of the following: ***“I move to ratify that the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget will raise \$47,101 more in ad valorem tax income than last year”*** Councilmember Wise made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-06 as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond and carried with a 5 – 0 vote.
- C. Discussion/Action: Ordinance 2019-07 - AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS, FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, TAX YEAR 2019; PROVIDING FOR AND APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE; PROVIDING A DATE ON WHICH TAXES SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF UNPAID; PROVIDING FOR A LIEN ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY TO SECURE THE PAYMENT OF TAXES DUE THEREON; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, INTEREST AND COLLECTION COSTS, IF ANY, FOR ALL DELINQUENT TAXES; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; SAVINGS CLAUSE; SEVERABILITY; PUBLICATION; EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING. After discussion, Councilmember Barry made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-07 as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mason and carried with a 5 – 0 vote.
- D. Discussion/Action: Authorizing the City Manager to make a short-term loan in the amount of \$50,000 to the Recreation Fund for the purpose of providing adequate cash availability for the operation of said Fund; establishing a repayment plan for said loan. After discussion, Councilmember Drummond made a motion to authorize the City Manager to make the short-term loan in the amount of \$50,000 to the Recreation Fund with a pay back scheduled to be determined at a later date. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mason and carried with a 5 – 0 vote.
- E. Discussion/Action: Authorizing the City Manager to appropriate \$7,500 from the Recreation Fund’s 2020 Budget for renovation and repairs to the restaurant building. The FY20 budget provided \$50,000 for capital improvements and renovations of facilities on the golf course. Mr. Thompson requested utilization of \$7,500.00 for repairs to the restaurant building such as replacing the exterior siding on the east end, painting the exterior of the building, installing additional electrical outlets in the bar area, addressing several wiring issues in the building, and possibly replacing the windows in the bar area with more energy efficient ones. After discussion, Councilmember Mason made a motion to authorize the City

Manager to appropriate \$7,500.00 for the necessary renovations and repairs to the Restaurant building. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wise and carried with a 5 - 0 vote.

F. **Discussion/Action: Adjourning to closed session pursuant to Section 551.017 (consultation with attorney) or Section 551.074 (personnel matters-City Attorney).** Council did not adjourn to closed session.

G. **Reconvene into open session and action as maybe required.** Council did not adjourn to closed session.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is September 17th at 6:00 p.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Raesener adjourned the meeting at 7:31pm.

Approved: /S/ Mary Ann Raesener
Mayor, Mary Ann Raesener

Date: October 9, 2019

Attest: /S/ Evan Bauer
City Secretary, Evan Bauer

Date: October 9, 2019