

City of Meadowlakes Stated Meeting Minutes February 18, 2020

The City Council of the City of Meadowlakes held its Regular Meeting at Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall on February 18, 2020, beginning at 6:00 pm 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

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION.** Mayor Raesener called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm 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.**

Resident Kathy Iosue discussed the possibility of having an annual or semiannual garage sale within Meadowlakes for its residents. She said several residents regarding this had contacted her and she said that she would be willing to serve on a committee if one is appointed.

Resident Georgina Christy voiced her opposition to the possibility of Meadowlakes having a garage sale for its residents.
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. **Water treatment plant renovation** –Mr. Thompson reported that the current budget allocated \$135,000 for water treatment plant repairs and maintenance. Of this amount, approximately \$110,000 was earmarked for the renovation of two of the City’s three water treatment trains. As discussed in prior Council meetings, due to some unexpected cost, only one of the two plants scheduled to be renovated would be done this fiscal year. Staff anticipates that the plant currently under renovation should be back online by the end of March. The estimated cost for the renovation of this plant is \$70,000. Mr. Thompson reported that the other plant originally scheduled to be renovated this fiscal year recently developed the same issue as the one currently being renovated, and its renovation could not be

delayed until the next fiscal year. The cost of renovating the second plant is expected to be around \$60-\$65,000. Mr. Thompson advised that he believes adequate funds are available to cover the cost of renovating the second plant, however, a budget amendment may be required in the future.

2. **Flood Control Pond** – Currently, city staff is looking into economical ways to aerate this pond.
3. **Ordinance & Animal Control** – The City’s Ordinance/Animal Control officer was reasonably busy in January. In addition to responding to 20 calls, he issued 99 violation notices, mostly related to visible trash cans and sign ordinance violations. He also issued 22 warning tickets and three warning notices. He also issued one citation for allowing a dog to run at large.
4. **Patrol Activity Report** - Our patrol officer logged 70 hours and 263 miles. He issued four speeding tickets, all for 38-mph in a 25-mph zone. Also issued were one written and four verbal warnings.
5. **Building Committee Report** –
Currently have 15 open building permits. The Building Committee issued the following permits:

5 New Homes:	441 St. Andrews
	313 Firestone
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	353 Meadowlakes
	320 Firestone
2 Deck	
1 Remodel	
5 Fence	
1 Arbor	
1 Playscape	
1 Flatwork	

B. Golf Course & Food and Beverage – David Klotz reported that Hidden Falls recently hosted the MFHS girls golf tournament as well as the annual Super Bowl scramble. The Mission Marble Falls fundraiser tournament and Central Texas Ladies Golf Association are on the books for March. To date this year, approximately \$12,200 in punch cards have been sold, which results in additional revenue. Mr. Klotz reported that the restaurant would be updating its menu starting March 1.

5. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. January regular meeting minutes – Evan Bauer, City Secretary
- B. January financial statements – Johnnie Thompson

After discussion, Councilmember Mason made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Wise, to approve the consent item as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

6. OLD BUSINESS: None

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Discussion/Action: Cats roaming at large.** At the January council meeting, a resident raised concerns about cats roaming at large and defecating on her property. Meadowlakes' City Ordinance states that pets may not leave the lot line unless under the restraint of a leash. Staff advised that the City's ordinance concerning this issue is very similar in wording to surrounding cities. However, it is challenging to keep a cat restrained to one's lot because, unlike a dog, a cat does not have to be kept on a leash. In order to remedy this issue, residents will need to have documentation (photos) to prove there is a violation, and then file a formal written complaint with the City Secretary. The cat's owner will then be given a written warning, and if the issue persists, a citation will be issued.
- B. **Discussion/Action: Consideration of a citywide garage sale.** A general discussion was held among staff and the Council regarding a possible citywide garage sale. It was noted that deed restrictions in Meadowlakes prevent residents from having garage sales on their property. It appears the only place a garage sale could be held is at the golfing complex, which is exempt from deed restrictions, or at the POA's park. A considerable amount of planning would need to be done, as well as coordination with the POA. After discussion, Mayor Raesener appointed Councilmember Peskin to chair a committee to discuss this possibility and to come back to Council with additional information, as well as input from the POA.
- C. **Discussion/Action: Approving a replat of lots 150-36 and 150-37 Section 1 into 150-36A (348 Olympia Fields).** Staff reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission met on February 13, 2020 and approved the proposed replating of Lot 150-36 and 150-37, Meadowlakes Section 1, into Lot 150-36A. Councilmember Barry made a motion to approve the replat as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wise and carried unanimously.
- D. **Discussion/Action – Adjourning to closed session per Section §551.074 Texas Government Code to discuss Personnel Matters – Review of City Manager, Johnnie Thompson.** Mayor Raesener adjourned Council to closed session at 6:39pm.
- E. **Reconvene in open session and any action related to closed session.** Mayor Raesener called to Council meeting back to order at 7:00pm. Councilmember Barry made a motion to renew Mr. Thompson's contract for three years, as stated, with compensation at the current level. Also, approved was the purchase of ten days of unused vacation and granting the same one-time salary adjustment as last year. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond and carried unanimously.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next City Council meeting will be held Monday, March 16 at 6:00 pm.

Mr. Thompson announced that due to the POA's drainage project, Broadmoor will be closed to thru traffic from February 21 – March 12.

9. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Raesener adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

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

Date: March 6, 2020

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

Date: March 6, 2020