

City of Meadowlakes Stated Meeting Minutes November 19, 2019

The City Council of the City of Meadowlakes held its Regular Meeting at Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall on November 19, 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
Gerry Mason, Councilmember

Absent:

Eddie Wise, Councilmember

Staff:

Johnnie Thompson, City Manager
Evan Bauer, City Secretary
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.**
Resident Karyn Mason requested that council discuss the possibility of amending Ordinance 22-3(3), regarding holiday displays, so that residents may start putting Christmas decorations out prior to Thanksgiving.

Resident Gloria Sopel informed council about the poor condition of the pond that is behind her house. She lives on hole #17, and the pond is directly off of her back porch. Ms. Sopel requested that council take steps to improve the condition of it.

- 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** - During the budgeting process, approximately \$100,000 was budgeted for water treatment plant renovations for FY20. The original plan was to renovate the two treatment plants installed in 2003; very little has been done to the plants over the past 16 years. However, one of the plants developed an issue early in November and had to be taken offline sooner than anticipated. It was determined that the existing PVC underdrain needed replacement with a new stainless-steel system, costing approximately \$25,000. Due to the failure of the underdrain system, a large amount of the

filter media that the city had planned to reuse was lost, so all new media is having to be replaced at a cost of approximately \$16,000. Delivery of the new underdrain and media is expected to be delivered by the end of the year. The estimated cost for the repair on the first plant will be around \$60-\$65,000, considerably more than anticipated. It is estimated that this plant will be up and running by the end of January. The renovation of the second plant will take place after that and is expected to cost considerably less than the renovation of the first plant.

2. Ordinance & Animal Control – Responded to 47 calls, issued 118 notices (the vast majority dealing with overhanging limbs and visible trash cans from the street), issued 19 warning tickets (mainly for parking infractions), two warning notices; one for leaving a trash can visible from the street and the other for storing a boat over 7 days in a driveway. He also concluded one animal bite case and issued one rabies alert.

3. Patrol Activity Report - Our patrol officer logged 45 hours and 165 miles in October and issued two speeding tickets, both for 36 in a 25-mph zone. He also responded to several EMS calls during the month.

4. Building Committee Report – We currently have 15 open building permits; the Building Committee issued the following permits:

- 1 Remodel
- 1 Fence
- 2 Concrete work

B. Golf Course – David Klotz, Golf Course GM, reported that monthly golf memberships are becoming a thing of the past for golf courses like Hidden Falls, and that golfers prefer punch cards. Since June 1st, 2019, \$30,000 in punch cards have been sold. Upcoming tournaments are the Marble Falls High School tournament, the Greg Gatz Memorial tournament and the state employee tournament.

C. Food & Beverage Operations – Ms. Ingalsbe, restaurant manager, reported that staff is busy preparing for upcoming holiday parties and events at the restaurant and has already scheduled the annual New Year’s party with Jon Arthur Martinez on January 4th. More information about this will be included in upcoming newsletters.

5. CONSENT ITEMS:

A. October City Council Meeting Minutes – Evan Bauer, City Secretary

After discussion, Councilmember Drummond made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Barry, to approve the consent item as presented. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

6. OLD BUSINESS: None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Discussion/Action: Resolution 2019-10 – RESOLUTION OF VOTES CAST TO ELECT DIRECTORS FOR THE BURNET CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021. Mr. Thompson

informed council that Meadowlakes gets 34 votes to cast in this election. The number of votes an entity receives is based on its percentage of taxable value in the County. After discussion, Councilmember Barry made a motion to cast all 34 of the City's votes for Gene Broadway. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Mason and carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

B. Discussion/Action: Resolution 2019-11 - A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, BURNET COUNTY, TEXAS APPOINTING MEMBERS TO CITY OF MEADOWLAKES PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION; CONFIRMING THE CITY MANAGER'S APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE MEADOWLAKES BUILDING COMMITTEE; AND CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF A DEPUTY BUILDING OFFICIAL; ESTABLISHING TERMS OF OFFICE FOR EACH. The Selection Committee, made up of Councilmembers Mason and Wise, POA President Steve Nash, Building Committee member Bob Powers, and P&Z member Larry Latshaw, recommends that the existing three members of the Building Committee and the two current members of the Planning & Zoning Commission be reappointed for two additional years. Members re-appointed for an additional 2 years from the Building Committee are Joe Summers, Bob Henderson and Anthony Sosinski. Members re-appointed for an additional 2 years from P&Z are Jerriall Wafer and Priscilla Muse. In addition to the appointment of these members, revisions to the Building Code provide for the appointment of a Deputy Building Official. After discussion, Councilmember Drummond made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-11 as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barry and carried with a 5 – 0 vote.

C. Discussion/Action: Resolution 2019-12 - A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, BURNET COUNTY, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING DATES AND TIMES. There was no action taken on this item.

D. Discussion on possible Ordinance regulating feeding of deer within the City. After discussion, council did not feel that this was an issue within the city. No action was taken.

E. Discussion regarding calling of a possible election to establish a City sales tax within the City. Currently, the City does not have a sales tax; the only sales tax collected within the City is the State sales tax at a rate of 6.25%. The maximum rate that the City could collect is 2%. Based on the previous 12 months of taxable sales within the City, approximately \$11,500 in sales tax revenue could be generated. Of this potential tax income, about 39% would have been derived from sales tax on garbage service and the remaining 61% from sales at the golf course and restaurant. After discussion, it was determined that further research would need to be done. No action was taken.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

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

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

Date: December 10, 2019

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

Date: December 10, 2019