

City of Meadowlakes
City Council Stated Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2008

I. CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION:

Mayor John Aaron called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. declaring that the required quorum was present at the Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall, 177 Broadmoor, Meadowlakes, Texas. Members present were: Mayor John Aaron, and council members Jaye Dawson, Laird Landis, Christine Forsyth, and Bill Pickard. Also present were City Administrator Johnnie Thompson, City Secretary Linda Wendling, and City Treasurer Eileen Harrison. Councilmember Camille Sweigart was not in attendance

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER:

Councilmember Dawson led the meeting members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Forsyth led the meeting members and guests in prayer.

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS: (Limited to 15 minutes total on general subjects and agenda items. Agenda Item specific comments may also be made part of agenda item council discussion.)

A. Dale Fixsen - Resident Fixsen stated he signed in on the incorrect list.

B. Leigh Heine - L. Heine stated she signed in on the incorrect list.

C. Carol Kowing - Resident Kowing introduced Mr. Fielding who is running for membership to the PEC Board and stated that there are flyers located at the back of the room for additional information.

D. Unidentified Resident - An unidentified resident stated she appreciated what the City has done with the golf course and that the Council should be commended for its efforts.

IV. APPRECIATION OF SERVICE:

A. Action/discussion: Recognition of service for Jerry Bostick - Aaron

Mayor Aaron introduced Mr. Bostick and commended him for his many attributes and seven (7) years of continued service as the floodplain administrator.

B. Action/discussion: Recognition of service for Joe Summers - Aaron

Mayor Aaron introduced Mr. Summers and commended him for his four (4) years of continued service on the building committee.

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. April 1, 2008 - Called Meeting (Attachment A)

Mayor Aaron introduced the minutes for April 1, 2008, and received no redlines or comments. Councilmember Dawson made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilmember Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT - Eileen Harrison, Treasurer (Attachment B)

A. April Financials - Treasurer Harrison presented the April financials highlighting discussions from last month regarding TML insurance and the upcoming budgeting process in relation to incorporating the Public Works Department and the Hidden Falls Golf Course into said financials.

B. Line Item Transfers – Mrs. Harrison stated that the legal fund is \$5,000 in the red to date and requests a \$10,000 transfer from the contingency fund to our legal fund.

Councilmember Pickard made a motion to accept the financials as presented and approve the line item transfer. Councilmember Forsyth seconded the motion. Councilmember Landis initiated council discussion regarding a pending entry on the balance sheeting, legal fund, in relation to non-received monies awarded to Meadowlakes via the current litigation with Mr. Lohr. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

VII. REPORTS:

A. Allied Waste - Quarterly Activity Report - Keith Conrad (Attachment C)

Mr. Steve Shannon presented the activity report in lieu of Mr. Conrad. Mr. Shannon addressed the meeting members and guests, highlighting the figures in relation to recyclables, bulk, brush and trash, used appliances & recycle thereof. Council discussion ensued including statements of improved customer service. Audience discussion ensued.

B. PEC - Quarterly Activity Report - Becky Johnson

Mr. George Bird addressed the meeting members and guests in lieu of Ms. Johnson, highlighting the new PEC election procedures, "Meet the General Manager Night" on May 8th at the Lakeside Pavilion in Marble Falls, a transformer already ordered for south of the bridge area, and office closures on Memorial Day. Mayor Aaron initiated council discussion regarding life expectancy of their systems. Council discussion also ensued regarding PEC election information on their website.

C. CASA 5K Run Participation Briefing - L. Heine, Development Director (Attachment D) Ms. Heine addressed the meeting members and guests providing background information regarding CASA's purpose and intentions, a non-profit organization, highlighting it received 20% cuts in federal income and outlining upcoming fundraising events. Ms. Heine requested that Meadowlakes open the gate at the Pecan Valley location, whereby the runners will travel through Marble Falls and through Meadowlakes ending in the Marble Falls Park. The POA has no objections and will setup a water station for the runners. Mayor Aaron stated the City will endorse this activity and proceed accordingly.

D. City Administration and Management/Activity Report and Financials - Johnnie Thompson (Attachment E & F)

i) Review and possible approval of Utility and Recreation and Country Club funds financial statements

ii) Utility Fund activity reports

Mr. Thompson collectively presented his reports on the above to the meeting members and guests, highlighting water consumption rising with the PWD being keyed and ready, financial statements, golf course fund and financial statements related thereto, and a request that the utility fund financials begin to be formally approved during future council meetings. Mr. Thompson received questions throughout his report and responded to every question as posed to him. Councilmember Landis made a motion to adopt the utility fund but not the Recreation and County Club financials. Councilmember Dawson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote of the present council members.

Mr. Thompson continued his report with Council and audience discussion ensuing throughout, highlighting the new dump truck, the Construction fund, country club electrical problems, and the cart barn building. Council discussion ensued.

E. Animal Control Activity Report - Robbie Galaway, Officer (Attachment G) Mr. Galaway presented the Animal Control Report stating it was a short month and highlighting each bulleted item on Attachment G. Council questions ensued regarding current rabies cases.

F. Ordinance Enforcement Activity Report - Angela Wilson, Officer Mrs. Wilson was not available to report due to a family emergency and prayers were asked for J.P. Wilson. Mayor Aaron stated that he and Mr. Galaway are acting as Ordinance Enforcement in her absence.

G. POA Activity Report - Don Williams, President (Attachment H & I) Mr. Williams presented the POA Activity Report highlighting the Wayne Dollar Park, acknowledgement to R.G. Carver, park reservations, Memorial Day Picnic (Attachment I), Preston Trail and Firestone street repair, a request to Council to consider reimbursement of 240' of pipe, bridge design, general street repairs, mowing of vacant lots, and requested continued cooperation between the City and the POA. Council and audience discussion ensued.

H. City Building Committee Activity Report - Blair Feller, Chairman (Attachment J) Mr. Feller presented the Building Committee Report highlighting that it was pretty slow in April and reviewed every bulleted item on Attachment J.

I. Hidden Falls Golf Course Policy Oversight Committee (POC) Activity Report - Dale Fixsen, Chairperson (Attachment K)

Mr. Fixsen presented the POC Report stating they have had four (4) informative meetings, have established three (3) sub-committees and discussion topics thereof, submitted a verbal recommendation to change the golf course name to Hidden Falls Golf Club, eight (8) marshals in place, ordinance enforcement, and social activities. Council discussion ensued. Mr. Fixsen received the Council's approval to proceed with the proposed name change until any future formal action took place.

J. Hidden Falls Activity Report - Charlie Mabie, Director of Golf (Attachment L & M) Mr. Mabie presented the Hidden Falls Activity Report highlighting rounds of golf reports (Attachment L), positive growth of members, course condition, status, and advertising. Mr. Mabie responded to questions as posed throughout his presentation. Mayor Aaron requested that he brief the meeting members and guests on the proposed promotions (Attachment M) and Mr. Mabie provided explanation thereof, highlighting each bulleted item. Council and audience discussion ensued. Mayor Aaron recommended that the proposed new fees & procedures be adopted this evening. Councilmember Landis made a motion to adopt the new fees & procedures as presented. Councilmember Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the council members present. Mayor Aaron took an action to convert same into ordinance language. Council discussion ensued.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Action/discussion: Ordinance 2008-06 PEC Franchise Agreement Renewal – Lynn Harden (Attachment N)

Mayor Aaron introduced this ordinance by providing a summary of its purpose and origination stating that the PEC accepts this version of the PEC agreement, and the next step would be a letter of transmittal to the PEC from Mayor Aaron.

Mr. Barry Cunningham provided some additional information on the agreement. Councilmember Pickard made a motion to adopt as written and waive the second reading. Councilmember Landis seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

B. Action/discussion: Status Report on Breach of Contract and Counterclaim Lawsuit: City and CCM, Inc. – Aaron (Attachment O)

Mayor Aaron introduced this item by reviewing Attachment O, highlighting that pre-settlement discussions were unsuccessful, depositions have taken place, summary judgment and hearing request with a motion filing approximately this week, deposition of Johnnie Thompson tomorrow in Burnet, trial on June 2nd, and discussions with the TML Risk Pool to understand reimbursement of funds. Council discussion ensued.

C. Action/discussion/update: Renovation and Construction Projects status of Hidden Falls Golf Course – Thompson (Attachment P)

i) Update on Renovation and Construction Projects

ii) Awarding of contract for irrigation pump station

iii) Review of repair and renovation construction budget and possible amendments

iv) Update on Beer and Wine license.

V) Update on golf course equipment lease/purchase

Mr. Thompson collectively provided status on each bulleted item referenced above responding to questions as posed to him.

- i) Highlighted condition of the building, ADA requirements, jack-up of the roof, major kitchen appliances, drain replacement, prospective opening dates, available funds, and placement of the cart barn. Council and audience discussion ensued. Councilmember Landis made a motion to relocate the cart barn to the proposed tennis court location. Councilmember Dawson seconded the motion. The motion carried three (3) Ayes to one (1) Nay; Councilmember Pickard voting Nay and Councilmember's Dawson, Landis and Forsyth voting Aye. Councilmember Forsyth initiated additional discussion that the motion did not include the words "at no cost" as the discussion intended. Councilmember Forsyth made a motion to relocate the cart barn to the proposed tennis court location at no additional cost to the City. Councilmember Dawson seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the council members present.
- ii) Highlighted status of SKID unit and that one (1) bid was submitted but due to time constraints and it being a reasonable bid, he recommends we approve the bid for \$79K. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Dawson made a motion that we adopt the contract and buy the pump. Councilmember Landis seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the council members present.
- iii) Stated that the renovation budget adjustment is still the same bottom line figures but with a few line item adjustments, point of sale, used equipment that was purchased, and the balance went up \$5,000 which was received via the additional monies during closing. Council and audience discussion ensued. Councilmember Landis made a motion to adopt the proposed budget as presented. Councilmember Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.
- iv) Beer & wine license was approved and is currently being served.

- v) Remaining golf course equipment that had been ordered has now been delivered and we purchased an unbudgeted Sod Cutter which now puts us in the hole in the amount of \$530.00.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Action/discussion: Final Close on Hidden Falls G.C. Purchase and Settlement Decision – Aaron (Attachment Q)

Mayor Aaron introduced this item by providing a summary of the final close details and execution thereof, highlighting each item on Attachment Q and providing explanation thereof. There was no council discussion.

B. Action/discussion: Hidden Falls G.C. Fee adjustments and special promotions –

This item was discussed by Mr. Charlie Mabie as part of agenda item VII J.

C. Action/discussion: Ordinance 2008-16, Amend fee schedule for building committee - Feller (Attachment R)

Before the meeting began Mr. Feller requested this ordinance be tabled.

X. TASK LISTING:

- **15** - In process.
- **51** - Rules in place, need signage.
- **53** - Open.
- **55** - In process.
- **57** - Assigned to Linda Wendling.
- **58** - Mayor Aaron had meeting with all three Officers and installed a plan for better coverage.

XI. COUNCIL AND MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Limited to non-city related announcements unless subject matter specifically listed)

A. Election Day is May 10th!

B. Councilmember Dawson stated it was her last meeting and that she would not be present when Mr. Summers takes his seat but wanted to personally thank the citizens for the opportunity to serve and express appreciation to the council, Johnnie, Linda and Eileen.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Dawson made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Landis seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Approved:

/s/ John Aaron _____ **Date:** 6/3/08
Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Linda A. Wendling _____ **Date:** 6/3/08
City Secretary