

**City of Meadowlakes
City Council Stated Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2008**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION:

Mayor John Aaron called the meeting to order at 5:30 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 Christine Forsyth, Laird Landis, Bill Pickard, Joe Summers, and Camille Sweigart. Also present were City Administrator Johnnie Thompson, City Secretary Linda Wendling, and City Treasurer Eileen Harrison.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER:

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

III. SPECIAL REPORTS:

A. Allied Waste Systems Budgeting Update & Activity Report - Keith

Conrad. Mr. Conrad provided his report to the meeting members and guests; highlighting a merger of Republic Waste and Allied that will not impact operations with Meadowlakes, partnership with Recycle Mate, employee Safety Summer Program that is currently ongoing, taking over sludge removal for the City, stats average two loads per every service day (814 homes), and recommendation of when purchasing new trash containers to not select round ones due to wind blowing them over. Council appreciation was offered.

B. Update of EMS operations for Meadowlakes and Marble Falls/Burnet County - Mr. Johnny Campbell Mr. Campbell was not in attendance.

IV. 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. Resident Lynn Fate commented on the regulation of doubling up on personally owned golf carts and recommended that the golf course keep names of every person playing on the course.

B. Resident Rosalie Bryan registered displeasure with the city, golf course, and POA rules, regulations, security and performance.

C. Resident Bill Forsyth stated he is running for the POA opening.

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

A. June 3, 2008 - Stated Meeting (Attachment A)

Mayor Aaron introduced the minutes for June 3, 2008. Council discussion ensued in relation to redlines. Councilmember Summers made a motion to approve the minutes as written with redlines as noted. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT - (Attachment B & C)

A. General Fund June & July Financials & Line Item Transfers - Treasurer Harrison presented the June & July financials; highlighting that all items are in line with the budget for both months, \$10,000 transfer from contingency,

and a PEC increase due to new agreement being paid quarterly instead of annually.

B. Utility and RCC June & July Financials & Line Item Transfers –

i.) Approve May's Financials - Johnnie Thompson - (Attachment D, E, F, G, H, I) Mr. Thompson collectively presented the June & July financials for the Utility Fund and RCC fund stating that the figures were listed in the cover memo attached. Mr. Thompson additionally presented the May financials. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Landis made a motion to accept all the financials as presented. Councilmember Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

VII. REPORTS:

A. City Administrator Activity Report - Johnnie Thompson (Attachment J)

Mr. Thompson presented his report; highlighting the renovations of the country club, passing the health department inspection, the club began serving limited lunch menus today, anticipation of the interior being complete by the end of next week, tennis courts resurfaced on Monday, cart barn 80 to 85 percent complete, cart path repair, current project costs, pool repairs necessary, and upgrading irrigation system. Council and audience discussion ensued. Grand opening attempted for September 6th.

B. Animal Control Activity Report - Robbie Galaway, Officer (Attachment K)

Mr. Galaway presented the Animal Control report; highlighting it has been a very busy two months, 6 animals taken in for rabies testing, all tests came back negative, and noted each bulleted item on Attachment K.

C. Ordinance Enforcement Activity Report - Harvey Raschke, Officer

(Attachment L & M) Mr. Raschke provided his report stating June had 39 hotline calls, 19 observation rounds, no citations issued, and 124 reminder letters sent out mainly for trash cans. Mr. Raschke stated July had 50 hotline calls, 26 observation rounds, and 99 reminder letters were sent out. Mr. Raschke highlighted on solar lights that were broken, possible violation of single family dwelling, and two homes being toilet papered. Council and audience discussion ensued.

D. POA Activity Report - Don Williams, President (Attachment N)

Mr. Williams presented the POA Activity Report; highlighting that a budget committee has been meeting and will present their proposed budget in a forthcoming meeting, discussion on POA position up for election, maintenance slow, streets swept, curb repair on Augusta and Firestone, drainage ditch between Stewart and Mahan has been reshaped, request for a one-way street on Augusta, RV covers, and the 4th of July parade.

E. City Building Committee Activity Report - Blair Feller, Chairman

(Attachment O & P) Mr. Feller presented the Building Committee Report; highlighting it has been a slow month and commented on the bulleted items on Attachment O and P. Council discussion ensued.

F. Hidden Falls Activity Report - Charlie Mabie (Attachment Q & R)

Mr. Mabie presented the Hidden Falls Activity Report; highlighting a little growth in revenue, range revenue staying pretty good, food and beverage revenue was good considering they did not have food service, 30 covers for lunch today, tennis revenue is where it will stay until after the repairs, pool revenue is producing a small amount, ordinance calls, golf events slowed down due to heat of summer, event planning, and the activity report. Audience discussion ensued. Mayor Aaron stated the subject of doubling up on golf carts should be forwarded to the POC because this item was not on the agenda.

G. Hidden Falls Golf Course Policy Oversight Committee (POC) Activity Report - Dale Fixsen - (Attachment S) Mr. Fixsen presented the POC Activity Report; highlighting the need for some additional ladies on the social and golf club committee, Sunday tournament times, need carts to stay off the berms, the 90 degree rule, entrance & rule signs at the first t-box, ladies drop zone on 14 and 16, cigarette butts on the golf course, water fall design for the entrance with landscaping, Marshals, Barry Wilson resigned due to moving, budget workshop and funding. Council and audience discussion ensued.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Action/discussion: Ordinance 2007-12 (second reading) Tree Trimming and Leaf removal requirements applicable to streets - Aaron (Attachment T) Mayor Aaron introduced this ordinance by stating this is the second reading due to waiting for public response on the ordinance which has been on the City's website. Mayor Aaron provided a summary of its purpose and origination. Mr. Thompson reported on the cost and problems with city maintenance. Council and audience discussion ensued. Councilmember Landis made a motion that we re-word the ordinance to trim to 16 foot and enforce at 12 foot. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Summers seconded the motion. The motion carried by 4 yeas and one abstention vote by Councilmember Pickard.

Council discussion ensued regarding a grace period and allowance of handling extreme circumstances when traffic is being impeded at the owner's expense. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Forsyth made a motion to accept re-wording as discussed. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Council discussion ensued.

Council discussion ensued in relation to leaf removal and proposed re-wording in Section 150.27. Mayor Aaron stated he would re-word the ordinance and bring back at next month's meeting.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Action/discussion: Nomination and selection of Ordinance Control Officer - Aaron Mayor Aaron introduced this item by providing a history of the vacancy, the resident's responsiveness of the warning letters, and the temporary Officer's positive performance. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Landis made a motion to adopt Mr. Raschke's current arrangement as the permanent Ordinance Control Officer. Councilmember Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

B. Action/discussion Ordinance 2008-19, amend fee schedule to include PWD fees - Aaron/Wendling (Attachment U) Mayor Aaron introduced this item by providing a summary of its origination and purpose. Council and audience discussion ensued. Councilmember Summers made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2008-19 with redlines discussed. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Councilmember Forsyth made a motion that we waive the second reading. Councilmember Landis seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

C. Action/discussion Ordinance 2008-14, ordinance cleanup - Aaron (Attachment V) Mayor Aaron introduced this item and council discussion immediately began. Council discussion ensued in relation to redlines. Councilmember Summers made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2008-14 with

redlines discussed. Councilmember Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Councilmember Forsyth made a motion to waive the second reading. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

D. Action/discussion Resolution 08-014, support discontinuation of the diversion of transportation user revenues to non-transportation uses –

Aaron (Attachment W) Mayor Aaron introduced this item by providing a summary of its purpose and origination. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Forsyth made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-014 as written. Councilmember Summers seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

E. Action/discussion Resolution 08-015, procedures for donations to City

- Aaron (Attachment X) Mayor Aaron introduced this item by providing a summary of its purpose and origination. Council discussion ensued in relation to content and redlines. Councilmember Pickard made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-015 with redlines discussed. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Summers seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

F. Action/discussion on FY2009 budget process - Thompson

Mr. Thompson stated the City would have a 9:00 a.m. budget meeting on next Tuesday (8-19-08) and if approved it will be presented to the municipal secretary. Council discussion ensued regarding meeting dates.

G. Action/discussion on selection of auditing firm to conduct FY 2008 audit – Thompson

Mr. Thompson introduced this item by providing a summary of the proposal process he went through and stated he would like one more person to work on a committee with himself and Eileen Harrison. Council discussion ensued. Mayor Aaron requested Councilmember Pickard to assist with the committee. Councilmember Pickard accepted and the committee will meet Thursday (8-14-08) at 9:30 a.m. Council discussion ensued.

H. Action/discussion on employee medical, disability, life and dental insurance – Thompson

(Attachment Y) Mr. Thompson introduced this item by stating he reviewed the current benefit package and stated the City was lacking in some areas and discussed same. Mr. Thompson's recommendation was that we do not participate with the dental but we do change the disability and life insurance. Council discussion ensued. Council agreed to discuss during the budget process with Mr. Thompson providing additional information.

IX. TASK LISTING:

Mayor Aaron stated there were no changes and due to the late hour the task listing will be waived except for closing item 57.

- **15, 51, 53, 55, & 59**
- **57** Closed, on this evening's agenda.

XI. COUNCIL AND MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

A. Golf Course Hotline 1-877-850-7655. Mayor Aaron disseminated the number again and outlined if it's an emergency to contact 911.

B. Texas Colorado River Floodplain Coalition's Hazard Mitigation Plan Update - Public Participation Survey (Attachment Z) Mayor Aaron provided a summary of its purpose and origination and Mr. Fixsen passed copies out to the meeting members.

C. As requested. There were no additional requests.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Summers made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Approved:

/s/ John Aaron _____ **Date:** 9/12/08
Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Linda A. Wendling _____ **Date:** 9/12/08
City Secretary