

**City of Meadowlakes
WORKSHOP MINUTES
August 12, 2014**

Identification of quorum:

Council Members Present:

Councilmember Clancy Stephenson
Councilmember Mike Barry
Councilmember Barry Cunningham
Councilmember Alton Fields
Councilmember Jerry Drummond
Mayor Mary Ann Raesener

Staff Present:

City Manager Johnnie Thompson
City Secretary Christy Fath
Public Works Director Mike Williams

Guests Present:

Jeff Wilson, Larry Upton, Patti Wray,
and Linda Wier

Topics for Discussion:

- I. CALL TO ORDER AT 3:01 P.M. AND QUORUM DETERMINATION

- II. WORKSHOP DISCUSSION
 - a. DISCUSSION REGARDING BAR AND RESTAURANT OPERATIONS, PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2015 OPERATING BUDGET OF THE MEADOWLAKES PUBIC FACILITY CORPORATION (HIDDEN FALLS GOLFING COMPLEX).
 - b. DISCUSSION OF ESTABLISHING A PRELIMINARY PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR 2014 AND ESTABLISHING DATES AND TIMES FOR RELATED PUBLIC HEARINGS REQUIRED FOR THE ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET.

- III. ADJOURNMENT OF WORKSHOP – ADJOURNED AT 4:41 P.M.

~ NO ACTIONS TAKEN ~
~ No Written Minutes Recorded ~

**City of Meadowlakes
Stated Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2014**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION:** Mayor Mary Ann Raesener called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. declaring that a quorum was present at the Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall, 177 Broadmoor, Meadowlakes, Texas. Councilmembers present were Mike Barry, Barry Cunningham, Alton Fields, Clancy Stephenson and Jerry Drummond. Also present was City Manager Johnnie Thompson, City Secretary Christy Fath and Public Works Director Mike Williams.

- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Councilmember Barry led the Council and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS: Christine Forsythe discussed concerns about establishing a police department and citations written. Joe Summers spoke about the incident of a vehicle running into his yard causing damage and leaving the scene and requested Council to put a stop sign at Dove Lane and Preston Trail. Nathan Burns of PEC introduced himself and briefed the audience on the inventory that PEC will be doing in the City and accessing the electric boxes. Sherry Summers spoke regarding the enforcement of fireworks on 4th of July.

IV. MONTHLY STANDARD LIVE REPORTS:

City Manager Johnnie Thompson addressed the Council and citizens, summarizing the contents and major highlights of the monthly reports, including the patrol hours, ordinance and parking violations. He updated Council on the financial condition of the various City funds. Mr. Thompson concluded by updating Council on the Water/Wastewater permit, lift stations, City parking lot to be paved in October, city staff assisting at gate on inbound lane project and water revenues.

V. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. July 8th, 2014 Workshop Minutes –Christy Fath, City Secretary
- B. July 8th, 2014 Meeting Minutes – Christy Fath, City Secretary
- C. July 15th, 2014 Meeting and Workshop Minutes – Christy Fath, City Secretary
- D. July 22nd, 2014 Workshop Minutes – Christy Fath, City Secretary
- E. Ordinance Enforcement July 2014 Activity Report – Pat Preston
- F. Animal Control July 2014 Activity Report - Robbie Galaway, Officer
- G. Patrol Activity July 2014 Report - provided by Meadowlakes Patrol Officers
- H. Vandalism/Incident July 2014 Activity Report – Christy Fath, City Secretary
- I. City Building Committee July 2014 Activity Report – Blair Feller, Chairman
- J. Public Works Department July 2014 Activity Report - Mike Williams, PWD
- K. July 2014 Detailed Financials Report - Johnnie Thompson, City Manager

After Council discussion, Councilmember Cunningham made a motion to approve the consent items as presented. Councilmember Barry seconded the motion. It passed by a unanimous vote of the Councilmembers present.

VI. OLD BUSINESS: Action/Discussion/Status Update: Meadowlakes Public Facility Corporation operations and financial condition. Jeff Wilson briefed the council on the July financials. Council discussion ensued.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Action/Discussion: Appointment of Council Members to the Commissions, Boards and Committees (CBC) Selection Committee. Mayor Raesener appointed Councilmembers Barry Cunningham to the Planning and Zoning Selection Committee, Mike Barry to the PFC Committee and Alton Fields to the Building Committee. Mayor Raesener discussed having a POA member on each CBC. Mayor Raesener appointed Joe Summers, as the POA and Building committee member to the CBC Selection Committee. Mayor Raesener stated that recommendations need to be made at the September 9th meeting.

- B. Action/Discussion: Establishing a preliminary property tax rate for 2014 and establishing dates and times for related public hearings required for the adoption of the 2014 ad valorem tax rate and the fiscal year 2015 budget.** Councilmember Fields made a motion to set the public hearings for August 28th at 5:00 p.m. and September 2nd at 5:00 p.m. for the ad valorem tax rate and the budget hearing on September 9th at 5:00 p.m. during the regular meeting. Councilmember Drummond seconded the motion. It passed by a unanimous vote of the Councilmembers present.
- C. Action/Discussion: Retaining firm to conduct fiscal year 2014 audit.** Johnnie discussed previous year's auditor services by Neffendorf, Knopp, Doss & Company, P.C. Councilmember Cunningham made a motion to appoint Neffendorf, Knopp, Doss & Company, P.C. as auditor to conduct fiscal year 2014 audit. Councilmember Fields seconded the motion. It passed by a unanimous vote of the Councilmembers present.
- D. Action/Discussion: Authorizing Councilmember Drummond and City Manager to investigate cost of establishment of a police department for the City; authorizing investigative cost not to exceed \$2,000.** Councilmember Drummond and Johnnie Thompson discussed the need for them to go to Austin to talk to some attorneys about establishing a police department and anticipated the process would take approximately six to nine months. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Drummond made a motion to authorize himself and Mr. Thompson to investigate the cost of establishing a police department for the City and authorizing investigative cost not to exceed \$2,000. Councilmember Barry seconded the motion. It passed by a unanimous vote of the Councilmembers present with Barry Cunningham and Alton Fields abstaining.

VIII. COUNCIL & MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A.** The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held September 9th, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.
- B.** Mayor Raesener announced the Mission Outreach Golf Tournament on Saturday, August 15th.
- C.** Johnnie Thompson discussed the Burnet County Household Hazardous Waste Collection being held on September 13th and the items accepted.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Raesener adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Approved:

/s/ Mary Ann Raesener **Date:** 9/09/14
 Mayor, Mary Ann Raesener

Attest:

/s/ Christy Fath **Date:** 9/09/14
 City Secretary, Christy Fath