

City of Meadowlakes
City Council Stated Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2022 – 6:00pm

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 - 6:00 p.m.
Totten Hall, Meadowlakes Municipal Offices
177 Broadmoor Street, Meadowlakes, Texas

The City Council of the City of Meadowlakes held its Regular Meeting at Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall on February 15, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with the duly posted notice of said meeting.

Present:

Mark Bentley, Mayor
Jess Lofgreen, Councilmember
Jerry Drummond, Councilmember
Eddie Wise, Councilmember
Garrett Wood, Councilmember

Staff:

Johnnie Thompson, City Manager
Evan Bauer, City Secretary
Debbie Holley, Treasurer
David Klotz, Head Golf Pro

Absent:

Barbara Peskin, Councilmember

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION.** Mayor Bentley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and announced the presence of a quorum.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER.** Mayor Bentley led Council and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.
3. **CITIZEN COMMENTS.** None
4. **MONTHLY STANDARD LIVE REPORTS** (*Progress and Status Reports Only.*)
 - A. Operations in general - City Manager Johnnie Thompson
 1. Ordinance reports – In December and January, the Ordinance Officer responded to 7 calls, issued 168 violation notices, mostly related to visible trash cans and parking violations. There were 27 warning tickets issued for parking infractions and 23 warning notices issued; 13 for parking a vehicle or trailer on the street over 3 days in 7, and for parking an RV on the street between 10pm and 7am, 1 for a house in disrepair (back door), 4 for holiday displays being out past the allowed timeframe, and 5 for a trash can being out past the allowed timeframe. There were 7 citations issued; 3 for storing a trailer in a drive over 3 days in 7, 2 for storing a golf cart/vehicle on the street over the allowed timeframe, and 2 for a house in disrepair (back door).

In December and January, our Animal Control Officer received numerous calls about barking and loose dogs. Also, several dead animals were disposed of.

2. Patrol Activity Report – In December and January, officers Koenning and Ciolfi logged a total of 156 hours and 236 total miles. Officer Koenning issued 11 citations; 6 for speeding (39, 38, 2 for 37, 36 and 35 in a 25 mph zone), 3 for no driver’s license, and 2 for running a stop sign. Officer Koenning issued 6 warnings and Officer Ciolfi issued 2 warnings.

3. Building Committee Report – In December and January, the Building Committee issued 7 permits total; 3 fence permits, and 3 new construction permits; 136 Dove, 122 The Lane, and 302 Limestone. Currently, there are 18 ongoing projects within the City.

B. Briefing on Golf Operations – Head Golf Pro, David Klotz, informed the Council that the golf course maintenance department is starting to prepare for spring vegetation. Also, there are several tournaments scheduled in the coming weeks.

5. **CONSENT ITEMS** *(The items listed are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the City Council and may be approved by a single motion of the Council. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by Council; at which time the select item(s) may be discussed separately under consent items and separate motion(s)).*

- A. Minutes of the prior Council Meetings/Workshops
- B. December 2021 and January 2022 Financial Reports

After discussion, Councilmember Lofgreen made a motion to approve the December minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wise and carried unanimously. After discussion, Councilmember Lofgreen made a motion to approve the December and January financials as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wood and carried unanimously.

6. **OLD BUSINESS.**

A. **Discussion/Action: Authorizing the Mayor and/or City Manager to apply to the Texas Department of Transportation for a Selective Traffic Enforcement (STEP) grant.** After discussion, this item was tabled until June, when the FY23 budget discussion begins.

7. **NEW BUSINESS.**

A. **Discussion on current operations of Hidden Falls Bistro.** Restaurant Operator, Al Redzematovic, was present and reported that he has been pleased with the operation during the first 6 months. Also, he will be mailing out menus with a coupon to every resident in Meadowlakes.

B. **Storm preparation update from PEC for 2022.** Representatives from PEC were present to give an update. Mr. Sonny Ponce updated council and guests on PEC’s preparations during the recent winter storm and discussed issues learned from last year’s winter storm. They reported that they had only a few outages during this year’s winter storm which were resolved within the hour.

C. **Briefing from County Commissioner Joe Don Dockery on Burnet County operations and updates on highway transportation plans.** County Commissioner Joe Don Dockery updated council and guests on road projects that Precinct 4 has completed or are in the process of completing. County Judge James Oakley was in attendance as well, and he discussed the Wirtz

Dam Road project. Commissioner Dockery provided a handout with details pertaining to the projects that can be obtained at City Hall.

- D. Discussion and Action: Interlocal Agreement between the City and Burnet County for assistance with the renovation of the City owned tennis courts.** Mr. Thompson briefed council on details of the Interlocal Agreement. Each fiscal year, the County can provide up to \$15,000 of manpower and equipment assistance to the City. In November of 2021, Council approved a \$50,000 budget for the renovation of the tennis courts. This Interlocal Agreement is identical to those used in the past and was prepared by the County's attorney. After discussion, Councilmember Drummond made the following motion: *"I move to authorize the City Manager to execute, on behalf of the City, an Interlocal Agreement with Burnet County for assistance in the renovation of the City owned tennis courts."* The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wise and carried unanimously.
- E. Discussion/Action: Resolution 2022-03 – Approval of Fiscal Year 2021 Audit.** Mr. Keith Neffendorf, from the firm of Neffendorf and Blocker, P.C., was present to review the audit with council and stated that the City received a completely clean, unqualified audit with no deficiencies. After discussion, Councilmember Lofgreen made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-03, which adopts the Fiscal Year 2021 Audit. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wise and carried unanimously.
- F. Discussion and Action: Resolution 2022-01 – OMNIBUS RESOLUTION Regarding Civil Rights and Other Funding Requirements under the American Rescue Plan Act.** Mr. Thompson briefed council regarding the need to adopt this Resolution in order for the City to comply with rules and regulations the federal government has in place regarding the acceptance of Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. The City will receive approximately \$422,000. After discussion, Councilmember Wise made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-01 as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond and carried unanimously.
- G. Discussion and Action: Resolution 2022-02 – Calling the May 7th, 2022, General Election.** The City Secretary briefed council on the election. Resolution 2022-02 addresses the May 7th, 2022 General election in which a Mayor and two Councilmembers will be elected. The positions that you will be electing for are Mayor Bentley, Councilmember Lofgreen (Place 1) and Councilmember Drummond (Place 3). As of now, all candidates are unopposed. The last day to file is Friday, February 18th. After Discussion, Councilmember Drummond made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-02 as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wise and carried unanimously.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Thompson announced that Scott Bridges, Senior Operator, recently passed his A wastewater test and now has an A license in both water and wastewater.

The next City Council meeting will be held March 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Bentley adjourned the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Approved: _____
Mayor, Mark Bentley

Date: March 15, 2022

Attest: _____
City Secretary, Evan Bauer

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