

# City of Meadowlakes Stated Meeting Minutes October 17, 2017

The City Council of the City of Meadowlakes held a Regular Meeting at Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall on October 17, 2017, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in accordance with the duly posted notice of said meeting.

**Council Members Present:**

Mayor Mary Ann Raesener  
Councilmember Mike Barry  
Councilmember Ed O'Hayre  
Councilmember Jerry Drummond  
Councilmember David Baker  
Councilmember Bob Brown

**Staff Present:**

City Manager Johnnie Thompson  
City Secretary Evan Bauer  
City Treasurer Debbie Holley  
Flood Plan Administer Mike Williams

**Guests Present:** Gary Gauci and Dwight Batch  
both with Republic Services  
Chief Mike Phillips, Marble Falls VFD

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION.** Mayor Raesener called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and announced the presence of a quorum.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER.** Councilmember Brown led the Council and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Baker led the Council and guests in prayer.

**3. CITIZEN COMMENTS.**

Resident Susan Bailey voiced her concerns regarding the size of the proposed recycle container if we move forward with Republic Services. In her opinion, the larger container is not needed. She also expressed concerns over the proposed rate increase. It is her understanding that the rate increase would be greater than 15%, and that, paired with the assumed labor savings that will come with having the new containers, makes her opposed to the proposed price increase and would like the City to obtain bids from other waste management providers.

In regard to Republic Services, resident Georgina Christy asked for clarification on the proposed rates and what that price includes.

Resident John Williams encouraged Council to look at ways to improve the golf course; the greens, fairways, and cart paths. He also requested that golf members be better informed on what is happening with the golf course. Specifically, when there is a change in management or golf pros.

**4. MONTHLY STANDARD LIVE REPORTS:** The following live reports were given by staff:

A. Current Operations and Consent items. Mr. Thompson briefed the Council on operations in general, as well as consent items.

1. Job Descriptions and Organizational Chart: Mr. Thompson reported that the vast majority of the job descriptions have been reviewed by staff and he hopes to have them all updated by the first of the year. He also presented a draft organizational chart for council review.
2. Meadowlakes Public Facility Corporation - TABC liquor license: Mr. Thompson reported that previous attempts to schedule a meeting with TABC have been unsuccessful. He hopes to get one scheduled in the next week or two in order to discuss options for obtaining a liquor license.
3. Replacing the City Attorney and Prosecutor: Mr. Thompson reported that the City Attorney and Prosecutor search committee has reviewed several candidates. He anticipates formal interviews will be conducted in late October and early November.
4. Golf and Food and Beverage: Mr. Thompson reported that Mr. Jeremy Grubb, Head Golf Professional/F&B Manager has submitted his resignation effective November 1, 2017. He advised that he has promoted Assistant Golf Professional Mr. Larry Panther to Head Golf Professional/Golf Course Manager. Mr. Thompson also advised that the Food and Beverage Manager will be reporting directly to him instead of the Head Golf Professional. He also briefed the Council on some discrepancies with regard to Pro Shop and Food and Beverage inventory. Some changes will be made in order to monitor it more closely. Also, because of the amount of time it takes, inventory will be done quarterly from now on, instead of monthly.

**B. Public Works.** Mr. Williams briefed the Council on current operations of the Public Works Department, including the regular recurring items. He also gave an update on the progress of the fence on Dog Leg. It should be complete within the next few days. Also, he informed Council that there are still no updates on the FEMA map.

## **5. CONSENT ITEMS:**

**A. September 19th, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes – Evan Bauer, City Secretary**

**B. Standard Staff Reports for September 2017.**

1. Ordinance Enforcement & Animal Control September 2017 Activity Report – Pat Preston, Ordinance/Animal Control Officer
2. Patrol September 2017 Activity Report - provided by Meadowlakes Patrol Officers
3. Building Committee September 2017 Activity Report – Blair Feller, Chairman
4. Vandalism September 2017 Report – Evan Bauer, City Secretary
5. Public Works Department September 2017 Activity Report - Mike Williams, PWD

**C. Financial Reports for September 2017 - Johnnie Thompson, City Manager**

After discussion, Councilmember Drummond made a motion to approve the consent items as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brown and carried unanimously.

## 6. OLD BUSINESS ITEMS:

**A. Discussion/Action: Adopting Ordinance 2017-06 "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS, AMENDING AND EXTENDING THE FRANCHISE WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM COMMENCING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE; CONTAINING VARIOUS TERMS AND CONDITIONS WITH REGARD TO THE EXTENSION OF SUCH FRANCHISE; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ANY AND ALL KINDS OF ORDINANCES THAT ARE IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."** Mr. Gary Gauci, along with Mr. Dwight Batch, both with Republic Services, addressed questions and concerns regarding the extension of the City's existing contract for solid waste collection. The contract extension proposed utilization of a 95 gallon recycling container instead of the existing 18 gallon tote. Other items discussed were the proposed rate increase and the term of the proposed contract. They presented data that supported the need for the larger recycle bins, and informed Council that the VIP/Backdoor service, which is currently offered to Meadowlakes residents, will still apply to the new containers if needed. After discussion, Councilmember Baker made a motion to get bids from other providers before making a decision. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barry and carried unanimously.

**B. Discussion/Action: Release of escrowed funds to the Marble Falls Area VFD per contract.** Marble Falls Volunteer Fire Chief Mike Phillips requested the funds held in escrow by the City for fire equipment be released to help provide funding for needed equipment on the Department's recently purchased engine. Mr. Thompson advised that the existing three year contract with the Department has a provision that requires the City to escrow \$5,000 per year to assist the Department with the purchase of apparatus or equipment. None of the escrowed funds have been disbursed and a total of \$15,000 is currently held in escrow. After discussion, Councilmember O'Hayre made a motion to release the funds. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barry and carried unanimously.

**C. Discussion/Action: Reorganization and/or dissolving of the Building Committee.** Councilmember Baker reported that he and Councilmember Barry met with a prospective inspection/engineering firm to work alongside the Building Committee in plan review and throughout the building process. No action was taken.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

**A. Discussion/Action: Resolution 2017-06 "A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE ROCK AND CONCRETE CRUSHING PLANT PROPOSED BY ASPHALT, INC. AND EXPRESSING CONCERNS REGARDING PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE IMPLICATIONS OF THE PROPOSED PLANT.** After discussion, Councilmember Drummond made a

motion requesting that the City file a resolution with TCEQ expressing opposition to the rock crushing plant. The motion was seconded by Councilmember O'Hayre and carried unanimously.

**B. Discussion/Action: Capital Improvement Projects.** This item will be added to next month's agenda. There was no discussion or action taken.

**C. Discussion/Action: Request for release of Recreation Capital Improvement funds for specific projects.** After discussion, Councilmember Barry made a motion to release \$7,000.00 in funds to be used for the purchase of kitchen related items and improvements. The motion was seconded by Councilmember O'Hayre and carried unanimously.

**D. Discussion/Action: A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, BURNET COUNTY, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING DATES AND TIMES.** After discussion, Councilmember Brown made a motion to change the meeting time and day in November and December to the second Tuesday of the month at 4:00pm. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barry and carried unanimously. The November meeting will be held November 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm and the December meeting will be held December 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.

**E. Adjourn to closed session per Section §551.074 Texas Government Code to discuss Personnel Matters and Land Acquisition Section §551.072.** A closed session was not required.

#### **8. COUNCIL & MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**A.** The next Council meeting will be held November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

**9. ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Raesener adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

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

**Date:** November 6th, 2017

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

**Date:** November 6th, 2017