

CITY OF HUNTERS CREEK VILLAGE, TEXAS
MINUTES OF A CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
APRIL 8, 2008

The City Council of the City of Hunters Creek Village, Texas held a workshop on Wednesday, April 8, 2008, at City Hall, #1 Hunters Creek Place, Hunters Creek Village, Texas.

Present:	Mayor	Bob Dodson
	Mayor Pro Tem	Michael Cokinos (left meeting at 1:15 pm)
	Council Members:	Peggy Burck (arrived at 1:00 pm)
		Art Casper
		Roger Stark
		David Wegner
	City Secretary:	Deborah Loesch
	City Attorney:	John Hightower

With a quorum of the Council Members present, Mayor Dodson called the session to order at 12:04 p.m.

WORK SESSION. A work shop session was held to discuss the following items that will be considered at the regular meeting on April 15, 2008 or any future meetings. The following items are for discussion purposes only and no formal action will be taken.

1. Discussion concerning the contract with Century Disposal for garbage and recycling collection services. Mayor Dodson advised that representatives from Century Disposal will be at the April 15th meeting to discuss the poor quality of service and what they plan to do to cure the problem. In the meantime, he is working on a contingency plan and will advise at a later date.
2. Discussion concerning proposed changed to the TMRS pension plan as to the affect on the Police and Fire Department budgets. Mayor Dodson advised council that the Mayors of the Villages will be meeting with the Village Fire Department and Commissioners to discuss the proposed budget for 2009. The meeting will be held on April 28 at Hunters Creek City Hall. He will report on that meeting at the May council meeting.
3. Discussion concerning zoning regulations related to set back requirements for conforming and non-conforming lots. Councilmember Burck advised that at this time there would be no recommendation for changes; however, she will have a full report at the April 15th meeting.
4. Discussion concerning proposed amendments to the tree ordinance. Councilmember Burck has been working on this and plans to have a proposed new ordinance at the May meeting. The recommendations have been to simplify and strengthen the ordinance to require more trees to be replanted when others are removed, maintain a more natural landscape, and maintain the canopy of trees throughout the city.
5. Discussion concerning the stone work for the bridge railings at Soldiers Creek

- Crossing. Councilmember Stark advised that decisions needed to be made quickly on the selection of stone work. Further direction is needed in this selection that is strictly a cosmetic look. Several mock ups were provided at the Maintenance Building to consider. This item will be on the April 15th meeting to give authority to either Councilmember Stark or the designers for the selection.
6. Discussion concerning the development of a five-year capital improvement program (CIP). Mayor Dodson advised that the City Engineer will have a draft ready for review at the April 15th meeting. This should give councilmembers plenty of time to study prior to the May 20th meeting.
 7. Discussion of closing certain bank accounts and transferring remaining funds to general operating account. Deborah Loesch, City Secretary, advised that there are 3 bank accounts – 2 at Wells Fargo (Project Fund and Metro Fund) and 1 at TexPool (Memorial Dr. Fund) that held small amounts of cash and no activity was being generated through these accounts. The remaining funds are from capital projects that have been completed and should be transferred to the general operating account to reimburse for expenditures on the various completed projects. In agreement, council suggested that this be placed on the consent agenda for the April 15th agenda authorizing the closing of these accounts.
 8. Discussion of the Public Utility Commission 2008 Consumer Price Index adjustment to municipal telecommunications right-of-way access line rates. Deborah Loesch, City Secretary, advised Council of the notice received from the PUC of the rate adjustment. If no action is taken, the new default rates will go into affect after April 30, 2008. If the council wanted to decline the increase, the options were to leave them the same or indicate another rate. In agreement, council would accept the new default rates and to place the item on the consent agenda for the April 15th meeting.
 9. Council comments for additional items for the April 15th agenda or future meetings.
 - a. Policy concerning driveway replacements beyond the right-of-way during construction, waiving permit fees, and request the Building Official to draft a memo on permitting process for driveway replacements for the council packet. (Councilmember Stark)
 10. Discussion relating to building inspection services contract with Roy Palermo.

The City Council of the City of Hunters Creek Village, Texas met in a closed session on the foregoing item in accordance with the authority permitted under Section 551.071 (consultation with the City's attorney) of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. The Closed Meeting convened at 12:40 p.m. and adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

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The Open Meeting reconvened at 1:15 p.m.

ADJOURN OPEN MEETING

With no further comments forthcoming, the meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Loesch, TRMC
City Secretary

These minutes were approved on the 20th day of May, 2008.