

CITY OF HUNTERS CREEK VILLAGE, TEXAS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 15, 2008

The City Council of the City of Hunters Creek Village, Texas held its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 15, 2008, at City Hall, #1 Hunters Creek Place, Hunters Creek Village, Texas.

Present:	Mayor	Bob Dodson
	Mayor Pro Tem:	Michael Cokinos (left meeting at 7:05 p.m.)
	Council Members:	Peggy Burck
		Art Casper
		Roger Stark (arriving at 6:22 p.m.)
		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 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Mike Schoenberger.

A. REPORTS

Mayor Dodson reported on the following:

1. Discussion with representatives from Century Disposal on garbage and recycling collection services contract. Glen White, representing Century Disposal, addressed the poor service problems explaining that they underestimated the amount of trash collection, experienced personnel issues with a number of staff and labor which put them further behind in services, injuries to supervisors, mechanical failures. They are working on the trucks to get them back up to standard with 5 of 13 trucks on routes. He also advised that they have contacted larger companies to see if they would take assignment of the contract, with no one willing to do the contract at the current rate. They have found that it has been difficult to meet the current contract rate with the cost of diesel fuel increase affecting operations. They are looking at alternate schedules. Mayor Dodson advised that he had spoken with Republic Waste about coming in should Century not be able to continue and they would be able to but at an increase of \$155,000 more for the remainder of the year.
2. General report in city hall activities. Exterior of city hall has been repainted.
3. Discussion of entering a float for the city in the Villages Independence Festival parade. Mayor Dodson advised that the Hunters Creek PTA declined to participate in the parade this year. He asked all members to be creative and come up with some ideas for a float.

4. Discussion of new TxDOT rules for billboards in cities. John Hightower, City Attorney reported that the new TxDOT rules allow for electronic billboards, however, the City's zoning ordinance does not allow for off-premise signs. Therefore, these rules will not affect Hunters Creek and advised that the current ordinance was very restrictive and would not be necessary to change.
 5. Mayor Dodson advised that the fence surrounding the City Hall property is deteriorating and we have contacted by a resident to look at participating in replacing the fence.
- B. City Engineer's Report: Charles Eastland, Cobb Fendley & Associates, reported:
1. Soldiers Creek Crossing Project. The contractor has poured sidewalks and the installation of the railings is to follow next week. Connie Wright recommended the "Tennessee Ledge" stone for the railings and a grout line of 3/8" to reduce the look of the mortar. There will be the placement of 4 decorative lamp posts staggered 2 on each side. The lamp posts will cost approximately \$7500 purchased from CenterPoint Energy with delivery in 60 days of ordering. The completion target date is now the first week of May.
 - a. Discussion and possible action to consider authorization for the selection of the stone work for the bridge railings.

A motion was made by Councilmember Casper with a second by Councilmember Burck to authorize the City Engineer to select the stone work as directed per the recommendation of Connie Wright as part of the design team. The motion carried unanimously.
 2. Camelot Woods drainage and paving improvement project. Contractor is currently paving the south half of Gawain, continuing with storm sewer up Camelot Lane while completing the paving on Gawain. Two of three sections on Pifer Way have been poured completing the cul-de-sac with the exception of two driveways.
 3. Guard rails at Memorial and Lindenwood. City public works crews are moving forward with plans to add wood facing to the existing metal guard rail and adding 270 feet of handrail on the north side of sidewalk as a protective barrier for side slopes.
 4. Distribute and discuss the proposed 5-year capital improvement plan (CIP). Presented a draft of the proposed 2009-2013 (5-year) Capital Improvement Program outlining projects that have been proposed for the next 5 years based on drainage and paving deficiencies throughout the

City. Councilmembers will have time to review the proposed projects for consideration for action at the May 20th meeting.

- C. City Treasurer's Report. In the absence of the Treasurer, Brad Conrad, Deborah Loesch, City Secretary, advised council on the status of the interest earnings on investments and money market accounts.
- D. Council Comments:
1. Report on prior month's activities:
 - a. Discussion concerning zoning regulations related to set backs for conforming and non-conforming lots. Councilmember Burck reported that Mike Schoenberger, Chairman of the Board of Adjustment, provided a history of the variances requested from the last few years and Mayor Dodson and Councilmember Burck determined that the ordinance is sufficient and suggests no recommendations for change. Councilmember Burck also stated that the philosophy of requiring the deeper front yards was to maintain more green space with the benefits of improved runoff and maintaining tree preservation.
 2. Suggestions of items to include on future agendas:
 - a. Councilmember Roger Stark requested an item be placed on the May 20th agenda for discussion and possible action concerning the existing fence at 643 Shartle Circle.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments were received from:

Bonnie McMillan, 10926 Wickwild, commented on the removal of trees from lots when homes are demolished and requested council act quickly on revising the tree ordinance to make it more restrictive to remove trees.

CONSENT AGENDA. Upon a motion made by Councilmember Casper and a second by Councilmember Stark, the Council voted unanimously to approve and adopt consent agenda items 1 and 4 as follows:

1. Approval of the minutes of the March 25, 2008 and March 28, 2008 Council meetings.
2. Approval of accounts payable disbursements for month of March 2008.
3. Approval of the closing of inactive bank accounts at Wells Fargo known as the Project Fund and Metro Fund and the inactive bank account at TexPool Memorial

Drive Fund and transferring the remaining balances to general fund account Wells Fargo Choice IV Public Funds Account.

4. Acceptance of the 2008 Consumer Price Index Adjustment to Municipal Telecommunications Right-of-Way Access Line Rates as the default rates for 2008 increase of 1.46%.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discussion and possible action to consider Agrigrow's proposal of final cost estimates for the entrance gardens on Memorial Drive.

A motion was made by Councilmember Burck with a second by Councilmember Casper to approve the proposals for a total of \$48,335.50 with expenditures to be paid for from GL Accounts 9014 and 5560. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN OPEN MEETING

A motion was made by Councilmember Stark with a second by Councilmember Casper to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Loesch, TRMC
City Secretary

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