

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
AND
2ND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 101598
CITY COUNCIL - CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES
OCTOBER 15, 1988**

1. THIS MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR PICKENS AT 7:00 P.M. COMMISSIONERS FRANK PFEIFER AND RAY WHITIS WERE BOTH PRESENT, REPRESENTING A QUORUM.

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 101598 REGARDING ANNEXING OF A PORTION OF RANCH ROAD 2147 FROM THE SOUTHEASTERNMOST CORNER OF THE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS TO THE SOUTHWESTERNMOST CORNER OF THE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS WAS READ; THERE WERE NO COMMENTS. COMMISSIONER PFEIFER MOVED TO APPROVE THE SECOND READING AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WHITIS. THE ORDINANCE AND ATTACHED MUNICIPAL SERVICE PLAN WAS PASSED ON MAJORITY VOTE. THE MAYOR EXPLAINED THAT THE CITY ATTORNEY, BARNEY KNIGHT, WOULD NOW SUBMIT THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF THE ANNEXATION, A PROCESS THAT SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN SIXTY DAYS. THE AREA TO BE ANNEXED ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE CITY IS APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE.**

3. **CONSENT AGENDA.:**

- A. **THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER 1988 WAS TABLED.**
- B. **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCTED SEPTEMBER 17, 1988 AND THE SPECIAL MEETINGS HELD SEPTEMBER 14 AND 30, AND OCTOBER 8 AND 12, 1988 WERE APPROVED ON A MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PFEIFER, WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WHITIS AND CARRIED ON VOTE.**

4. CINDY LATRONICA, DAUGHTER OF RESIDENT B.E. MARTIN, ADDRESSED THE CITY COUNCIL REGARDING HER CONCERN ABOUT DRAINAGE FROM CITY-OWNED LOTS ONTO HER FATHER'S PROPERTY. IN RESPONSE TO HER INQUIRY, THE MAYOR AND TWO COMMISSIONERS STATED THAT THEY HAD EACH VISITED THE LOCATION IN QUESTION. THE MAYOR REITERATED THAT THE CITY HAD PERFORMED ON A ORIGINAL WORK ORDER TO CHECK THE DRAINAGE OF THE BAR DITCH. REPAIR WORK WAS DONE AS A RESULT OF THE ASSESSMENT. MS. LATRONICA STATED AGAIN THAT 4 1/2 MONTHS AGO, THE CITY CLEARED ITS THREE LOTS AND STRIPPED THE PROPERTY, AND WITH NO SILT FENCING PUT IN PLACE, THIS RESULTED IN A WASH ONTO HER FATHER'S PROPERTY. SHE STATED THAT THE CLEAN UP WAS DONE BY THE CITY BUT THE CITY HAS NOT TAKEN CARE OF THE DAMAGE (THAT OCCURRED). COMMISSIONER WHITIS ASKED IF SHE WAS SUGGESTING THERE WAS DAMAGE OFF THE CITY LOTS ONTO....FATHER'S LOTS...AND SHE RESPONDED THAT IT WAS LOGICAL TO USE OLD DIRT TO BUILD UP WHERE IT WAS WASHED AWAY. COMMISSIONER

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PFEIFER STATED THAT HE HAD WALKED THE ENTIRE LOT(S) LENGTH AFTER THE 3" RAIN RECENTLY EXPERIENCED AND SAW NO DAMAGE. MS. LATRONICA RESPONDED THAT THE CITY *NEGLECTED* TO ASSURE NO WASH OFF (OF) THEIR PROPERTY. COMMISSIONER PFEIFER REMINDED MS. LATRONICA THAT ONE AND ONE-HALF YEARS AGO, ONCE BEFORE, THE CITY CLEARED THE BAR DITCH AT MR. MARTIN'S REQUEST AND CLEARED THE CITY LOTS...THERE WAS, HE REPEATED, NO WASH OFF FROM THE CITY PROPERTY AFTER THE (ABOVE MENTIONED) 3 INCH RAIN THIS YEAR. MS. LATRONICA STATED THAT THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE WAS TO TAKE (THE MATTER) TO COURT.(WE) HAVE RIGHTS....

THE MAYOR STATED THAT THE LOTS WERE CLEARED IN MARCH OF 1998 AND AS A RESULT OF THE SUBSEQUENT WORK ORDER, THE WORK REQUESTED WAS DONE IN SEPTEMBER, 1998. EDDIE PROCTOR, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (ALL FIELD OPERATIONS), INTERJECTED THAT THE GROUND DOES SLOPE BUT IF BUILT UP, IT WILL DAM UP TO SLUICE ON THE DOWN SIDE. MS. LATRONICA STATED THAT THEY HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO TAKE THE MATTER TO COURT. MR. BENTLEY MARTIN, BROTHER OF MS. LATRONICA, STATED THAT IN THE 17 YEARS HE HAS BEEN AROUND HIS FATHER'S LOTS, HE HAS NOTICED A NATURAL WASH AND (BUT) SEEN A NEW WASHSUBSTANTIAL DROP ON DRIFTWOOD AND FIR STREETS. MS. LATRONICA THEN INQUIRED IF THE CITY WAS ONLY CLEARING ITS OWN LOTS AND CITING OTHER PEOPLE (PROPERTY OWNERS) TO WHICH THE MAYOR REPLIED THAT NO ONE HAS BEEN CITED AND THE CITY HAS CONTRACTED TO CLEAN (SOME) OTHER OWNER'S PROPERTIES AT THEIR REQUEST. MS. LATRONICA STATED THAT THE CITY (EMPLOYEES) DON'T HAVE TIME (TO TAKE CARE OF....), BUT...IF GETTING PAID...MAYOR PICKENS ASSERTED THAT THE CITY IS *NOT* MAKING ANY MONEY, IT IS TRYING TO CLEAR UP A FIRE HAZARD CITY-WIDE. MS. LATRONICA STATED THAT IF THE CITY COUNCIL DOESN'T FEEL LIKE THE CITY HAS TO DO ANYTHING, TELL HER TO HER FACE. COMMISSIONER WHITIS STATED HE SAW *SOME* (RUN OFF) BUT NOTHING SIGNIFICANT....

5. MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORTS:

A. **POLICE DEPARTMENT.** CHIEF ELLIS REPORTED AN EASY MONTH, SOME CRIMINAL TRESPASS....HE STRESSED THAT THE POLICE OFFICERS WERE ALLOWING ZERO TOLERANCE ON THIS, KIDS OR ANYONE ELSE, WHETHER HOUSES, BUILDINGS, DRUGS, SMOKING....WILL BE ARRESTED. *DOGS AGAIN!* PICK 'EM UP: PUT 'EM DOWN. PEOPLE LEAVING ANIMALS BEHIND WILL BE TRACED IF POSSIBLE AND FILED ON FOR THIS ABUSE. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS WAITING ON RESPONSE FROM ITS APPLICATION FOR AN EQUIPMENT GRANT WITH LCRA. CHIEF ELLIS ASKED FOLKS TO BE OBSERVANT AND NOTICE WHO'S WALKING AROUND...SOME ELDERLY FOLKS OFTEN NEED HELP....CALL CITY HALL IF ANY CONCERNS....THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER POLICE RESERVE OFFICER SOON, AN OFFICER CURRENTLY WORKING IN THE FEDERAL BUILDING IN AUSTIN.

B. **PUBLIC WORKS-WATER & SEWER** KATERINA DITTEMORE OF GRANT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES UPDATED EVERYONE ON THE PROGRESS OF

THE DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM APPLICATION WHICH WAS SUBMITTED TO THE STATE AGENCY ON SEPTEMBER 22, 1998. THIS IS REGARDING REBUILDING LAKEVIEW DRIVE AS A RESULT OF DAMAGES INCURRED IN THE JUNE 1997 FLOOD. MS. DITTEMORE SAID THAT SHE HAS LEARNED THAT COTTONWOOD SHORES IS THE ONLY CITY SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION WITH A 51% LOW-TO-MEDIUM INCOME LEVEL IN THE EFFECTED LAND AREA.....VERY MUCH A PLUS IN THIS PARTICULAR GRANT. THE CITY'S APPLICATION IS ALREADY BEING REVIEWED AND A REVISED ENGINEERING REPORT IS BEING DONE IN RESPONSE TO AN INQUIRY FROM THE STATE AGENCY....THE CITY HAS A GOOD CHANCE SO FAR, ASSURED MS. DITTEMORE.

MR. EDDIE PROCTOR CONCLUDED THE PUBLIC WORKS-WATER & SEWER REPORT BY ADVISING THE ANNUAL TNRCC INSPECTION WENT WELL AND THAT THE ALUM TANK IS ON LOCATION AND WILL BE IN OPERATION AS SOON AS SOME WELDING IS ACCOMPLISHED. THE CITY IS CONVERTING TO LIQUID ALUM OVER THE POWDERED PRODUCT AFTER EXTENSIVE RESEARCH AND TESTING FOR COST-EFFECTIVENESS, ETC.

C. BUILDING PERMITS - ONE HOUSE, ONE NEW ROOF.

D. MARGIE PHIPPS REPORTED THAT CIVIC PRIDE MEMBERS HAVE AGREED TO BUY MATERIALS FOR PICNIC TABLES AND BENCHES FOR THOMPSON PARK, WITH A DEDICATION TO BE PLANNED FOR SPRING 1999. CIVIC PRIDE ALSO LENDS ITS SUPPORT TO THE OCTOBER 31ST HARVEST FESTIVAL....ALSO DISCUSSING A POSSIBLE FUND-RAISER IN JANUARY AND SPRING PLANS TO PLANT SHRUBS BETWEEN THE PALM TREES AT THE ENTRANCE INTO THE CITY....

E. GERRI PICKENS GLADLY REPORTED THAT, THANKS TO THE GENEROUS NATURE OF COTTONWOOD SHORES PEOPLE, THE *CHRONICLE* HAS ITS NEW PRINTER! SHE CONTINUES TO WELCOME ANY DONATIONS OF SUPPLIES AND ESPECIALLY, ARTICLES.

BENTLEY MARTIN REPORTS THE *COMMUNITY CHURCH* IS WELL BOOSTED BY THE EFFORTS OF *THE SQUARE FOOT CLUB* AND BUILDING PLANS AND PERMITS WILL COME SOON....THE MAYOR REMINDED HIM THAT BUILDINGS MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE A PERMIT IS ISSUED, WITHOUT WAIVER.....PLAN CAREFULLY, HE CAUTIONED.

F. THE VFD WAS REPRESENTED BY BOTH MIKE BUTLER AND BARBARA MCBRIDE AT THIS MEETING. ONE FIRE-FIGHTING UNIT HAS BRAKE PROBLEMS AND PARTS ARE BEING ORDERED - A PRIMARY STRUCTURAL UNIT, THIS ONE. BASICALLY, ALL THE EQUIPMENT NEEDS MAINTENANCE. NO FIRE CALLS THIS PAST MONTH; TWO EMS RESPONSES WERE MADE.

ALICE WEBB TOLD THE GROUP THAT HER HUSBAND, STEVEN WEBB, WOULD BE GIVING A COST-FREE CPR/FIRST AID TRAINING CLASS TO THE VFD AND CITY EMPLOYEES AT THE CIVIC CENTER ON A SATURDAY SOON. TWELVE PEOPLE OR LESS WOULD BE BEST, FREE TRAINING AND BOOKS. HOPEFULLY, OFFERED TO THE COMMUNITY-AT-LARGE IN THE FUTURE.

(OUT OF AGENDA SEQUENCE) 3A. FROM THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA THE MAYOR ADVISED THE AUDIENCE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAD CONDUCTED AN EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTERS ON OCTOBER 12, 1998, CONSIDERING HIRING OF ROBERT POPE AS THE CITY'S WATER PLANT OPERATOR.

AT THIS TIME, COMMISSIONER PFEIFER MOVED TO HIRE MR. POPE. COMMISSIONER WHITIS SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH CARRIED ON VOTE. MR. POPE WAS IN THE AUDIENCE AND THE MAYOR INTRODUCED HIM TO THE CITIZENS. MR. POPE STATED HE WAS GLAD TO OFFER TO THE CITY HIS LONG EXPERIENCE IN THE UTILITY FIELD.

MAYOR PICKENS EXTENDED A HEARTY WELCOME TO MR. ROBERT POPE WHO WILL BE ON BOARD SOON. ROBERT HAS RELATAIVES LIVING IN COTTONWOOD SHORES AND MARGIE PHIPPS LAUGHINGLY STATED THAT SHE HAD KNOWN HIM MOST OF HIS LIFE.....

6. **MAYOR'S REPORT.** MAYOR PICKENS FOCUSED ON THE GROWING PAINS OF THE CITY....MORE THAN OUR SHARE, HE SAID, BECAUSE WE ARE NOT ACCUSTOMED TO GROWING....QUITE EMPHATICALLY, THE MAYOR STATED THAT THE CITY **MUST** LOOK FOR A LARGER CITY HALL! THE ADMINISTRATION IS GOING TO BE LOOKING INTO THIS, WITH NO EXPRESS IDEAS, BUT WE NEED TO MOVE ON IT. THE CITY IS OBLIGATED TO COMPLETE THE NEW DISTRIBUTION LINES, TO MEET THE T.N.R.C.C. STORAGE CAPACITY MANDATES...AND THAT GRANT APPLICATION IS ON TRACK FOR A SPRING 1999 GRANT, WHEN ANNOUNCED BY THE STATE AGENCY. THIS....SITUATION, SAID MAYOR PICKENS....COTTONWOOD SHORES IS POOR, SMALL, HAS GREAT FOLKS, PROUD FOLKS....MANY HAVE CLEARED LOTS....THE CITY CANNOT PROVIDE SERVICESTO ONE THAT WE CAN'T AFFORD TO EVERYONE....WE NEED ROADS, DRAINAGE, EQUIPMENT....I THANK EVERYONE FOR INQUIRING, WANTING TO KNOW....SO MANY COME BY THE OFFICE WANTING TO KNOW....CONCLUDED THE MAYOR.

7. **OPEN DISCUSSION.** DOCTOR LEON UPSHAW MENTIONED THE UPCOMING NOVEMBER 3, 1998 GENERAL ELECTION - THE PRECINCT VOTING WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE CIVIC CENTER FOR THIS AREA.

8. **THE MAYOR ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 8:20 P.M.**

ATTEST:

SUE PORTER, CITY SECRETARY



DALE PICKENS, MAYOR

REQUEST TO BE PLACED ON AGENDA OF THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES

DATE OF REQUEST: 10-6-98

DATE OF MEETING: 10-15-98

NAME(S), ADDRESS
PHONE OF REQUESTER: Cindy Latronica

SUBJECT TO BE
ADDRESSED: Drainage Repair ON Driftwood
ON B.F. MARTIN Lots + Fir
from City Lots

INFORMATIONAL
PRESENTATION: YES _____ NO _____

REQUIRES ACTION
BY COUNCIL: YES _____ NO _____

SIGNED BY
REQUESTER: Cindy Latronica DATE: 10-6-98

RECEIVED BY: Rebela
Dave Parley City Secretary DATE: 10-6-98 1120am
NAME/TITLE OF CITY EMPLOYEE

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

3A, DISCUSSION/ACTION: CONSIDER HIRING OF A NEW WATER PLANT OPERATOR.

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE WAS POSTED AT CITY HALL, 3915 COTTONWOOD DRIVE, COTTONWOOD SHORES TEXAS ON THIS 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1998 AT 3:30 P.M.



SUE PORTER, CITY SECRETARY

[THIS FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE & ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS FOR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING. 830-693-3830]

REGULAR MEETING

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES
4111 COTTONWOOD DRIVE - CIVIC CENTER
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1998 - 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.
2. SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING THAT PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF RR 2147 THAT ABUTS THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY FROM THE SOUTHEASTERNMOST CORPORATE LIMITS AT RR 2147 TO THE SOUTHWESTERNMOST CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY.
3. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - A. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER, 1998.
 - B. MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:
 - (1) REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING, 9/17/98.
 - (2) SPECIAL MEETINGS: 9/24/98, 9/30/98, 10/8/98 10/12/98.
4. CINDY LATRONICA: DRAINAGE REPAIR ON DRIFTWOOD/FIR(MARTIN).
5. MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORTS:
 - (A) POLICE DEPARTMENT.
 - (B) PUBLIC WORKS-WATER & SEWER.
 - (C) BUILDING PERMITS.
 - (D) CIVIC PRIDE.
 - (E) CHRONICLE AND COMMUNITY CHURCH.
 - (F) VFD.
6. MAYOR'S REPORT.
7. OPEN DISCUSSION.
8. ADJOURNMENT.

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE WAS POSTED AT CITY HALL, 3915 COTTONWOOD DRIVE, COTTONWOOD SHORES TEXAS ON THIS 12TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1998 AT 6:30 P.M.

ATTEST BY:


SUE PORTER, CITY SECRETARY


DALE PICKENS, MAYOR

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