

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS  
4111 COTTONWOOD DRIVE – CIVIC CENTER  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2001 AT 7:00 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** Mayor Pickens called this Regular Meeting to Order at 7:01 p.m., with both Commissioner Phipps and Commissioner Pfeifer in attendance a Quorum was present.
2. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
  - A. **MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING ON JANUARY 25, 2001:** Commissioner Pfeifer stated he read the minutes and had no questions. Commissioner Phipps added they looked fine to her. Commissioner Pfeifer then made a motion to approve the minutes of a Special Meeting on January 25, 2001. Commissioner Phipps seconded his motion, which carried.
  - B. **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2001:** Mayor Pickens stated he had looked over a preview copy and sent it back for some minor corrections. He noted everything now appears to be in order. Commissioner Pfeifer stated he didn't find in errors. Commissioner Phipps then made a motion to approve the Financial Statements for January 2001. Commissioner Pfeifer seconded her motion, which carried.
3. **PRESENTATION BY MR. GEORGE BIRD WITH PEDERNALES ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE:** Mayor Pickens introduced Mr. George Bird with Pedemales Electric Cooperative. Mr. Bird presented the Council with a check for \$9,400.39, which represented the 2% Franchise Fee for gross sales within the City. Mr. James Gillis asked what the fee was for. Mr. Bird explained that the Franchise Fee is for the use of City streets and easements. It allows PEC trucks and equipment to enter into the City without having to get permits each time. Mayor Pickens stated other utility companies, which didn't have an agreement, have to get a permit and pay fees every time they come into the City to lay line or cut-roads. Mr. Bird announced that the Bertram/Marble Falls area has grown so much that Marble Falls was now a new district. He added Mr. Trey Grieve was the Manager for the Marble Falls District. Mr. Bird noted he spent a lot of time on the road with four offices to manage. Now, he hoped to have more time for a smaller area and to concentrate on local issues. He noted the program on deregulation was available if the Council would be interested in hosting that meeting. Mayor Pickens stated he thought that would be a good idea and benefit to the community. Mr. Bird stated that high bill complaints have been the biggest problem for the past five weeks. He noted the cold weather in November and December were most of the problem. He stated the new cycle billing had changed some meter reading dates, which adding five or more days to some bills could also make a difference. He noted this should level out. He added if anyone had a problem with a bill to call the office at 893-5525 and they would work it out.
4. **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ORDINANCE NO. 021501, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FIRST AMENDED CONTRACT FOR TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL OF WASTEWATER BETWEEN THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES AND LAKE LBJ MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT CAPACITY AND SERVICE; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND ESTABLISHING AN INTEREST AND SINKING FUND FOR THE CITY:** Mr. Gillis asked what is a sinking fund. Mayor Pickens stated it is an account in which funds are deposited each month in order to insure funds are available on the due date. He then explained that the City had an agreement with LBJ MUD for treatment and disposal of wastewater for an annual average of 60,000 gallons a day. The City is using more than agreed so we negotiated a new contract. He noted the City must pay a \$48,000 Capital Impact Fee to ensure enough capacity for City. The new contract gives a period of three years in which to pay for this impact on the MUD system. Mr. Gillis asked if this took into consideration the Castle Terrace expansion. Mayor Pickens stated yes to a degree. He noted there was no way to forecast the growth. He added the Council considered asking for more capacity, but then if growth slows down the City would not get a refund. He noted there was a provision in the

contract so when the City reached 90% of capacity to renegotiate again. Commissioner Pfeifer then made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 021501, an Ordinance of the City of Cottonwood Shores, Texas as recorded. Commissioner Phipps seconded his motion, which carried.

5. **ORDER OF ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS BY MAYOR PICKENS:** Mayor Pickens read the Election Order for the City of Cottonwood Shores, Texas ordering a General Election to be held on May 5, 2001 in order to elect a Mayor and two Commissioners for the City.
6. **MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORTS:**
  - A. **POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Judge Austin stated she had attended Judge's school in January to learn about changes in laws so she missed the meeting in January to give her annual report. She then read the Annual Report for the Court.
    - (1) **ACTIVITY LOG:** Sergeant Hallman read the report for the Police Department.
  - B. **PUBLIC WORKS:**
    - (1) **WATER & SEWER SYSTEM PERFORMANCE & USAGE:** Mayor Pickens stated Robert Pope was out ill.
    - (2) **ANIMAL CONTROL:** Mayor Pickens stated Connie Capone was out due to her children being ill. He noted she had been busy catching cats and chasing dogs. He added she recently purchased new supplies for the dart gun. He noted that Animal Control was not a full-time job, that she had duties with the Water Department as well.
  - C. **CIVIC PRIDE:** Mrs. Claudie Short stated she was so excited to be present tonight. She noted that when the City first incorporated the lots on the end of Lakeview Drive were trashed. Mr. Noah Thompson worked to clean up the area to make a nice park. Now, Texas Granite has donated the granite and Bluebonnet Memorials has agreed to do the engraving on a marker to be placed at the park. Civic Pride was planning a dedication ceremony on March 31, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. She added Mr. Thompson did a lot for the City. She encouraged everyone to attend and start enjoying the Noah Thompson Park.
    - (1) **UPCOMING MEETING DATES:** Next meeting is scheduled for March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
    - (2) **FUTURE PROJECTS** She also noted that Civic Pride would be hosting a Chili Supper on March 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30 in order to raise funds for additional projects.
7. **MAYOR'S REPORT:**
  - A. **UPDATE ON WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS GRANT:** Mayor Pickens stated back when we needed the water tank there was no rain. Now, we have the tank so much rain the crews can't work on painting tank. He noted can't paint when it's damp, or when the wind is blowing because of over-spray in neighbors yards. He added that hopefully the crew would be back at it soon.
  - B. **UPDATE OF SEWER PROJECT IN CASTLE TERRACE:** Mayor Pickens stated the project was complete. Just needed final payment to contractor and to turn project over to City. Then we can start taps and construction.
  - C. **FUTURE GRANT APPLICATION FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION LINES:** Mayor Pickens stated next month he hoped to apply for a grant to lay water lines in the City. He added we're working on it. It just takes time.
8. **CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Mr. Gillis stated Mr. Padgett had met with the POA and stated he had talked to Mayor Pickens about painting the water tank to look like a lighthouse. Mayor Pickens stated yes, but he explained the painting crew can only do what contract calls for. Mr. Gillis asked if paid for by other funds could it be done. Commissioner Pfeifer asked if Mr. Gillis had seen the newspaper where Marble Falls is planning to paint some tanks, and the high price for a logo or design. Mr. Gillis felt it would not be too expensive while they were here painting. He wanted a subcontract between the POA and painters to do while they are here. Mayor Pickens explained that they had a schedule and it would have to be done at a later date. Mr. Gillis than asked about putting a light at the entrance into Castle Terrace. Mayor Pickens stated Mr. Padgett was planning on redoing the entrance and putting in a light. Mrs. Rains asked what were the plans for the entrance. Mayor Pickens stated that was not determined yet, Mr. Padgett had some ideas. Mr. Rains expressed his concern for doing anything to the existing entrance since original property owners who were now deceased did it. Mr. Gillis stated

Mr. Padgett told him he had asked the Mayor to get prices on installing lights at the entrance. Mayor Pickens stated he had talked to Mr. Padgett about the entrance only briefly and he didn't recall having been asked to get any information about lights. Mayor Pickens stated any ideas about the entrance needed to be addressed to Mr. Padgett. Mr. Gillis then asked about new water lines tearing up the road. Mayor Pickens stated lines were already in the ground so the roads won't have to be cut.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Pickens adjourned this Regular Meeting at 8:16 p.m.

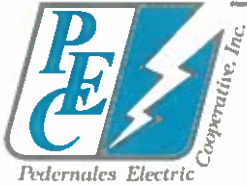
**ATTEST:**

  
**TENA COLLIER, CITY SECRETARY**

  
**DALE PICKENS, MAYOR**







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January 19, 2001

The Honorable Dale Pickens  
City of Cottonwood Shores  
3808 Cottonwood Drive  
Cottonwood, Texas 78654

Dear Mayor Pickens:

Pedernales Electric Cooperative requests that time be reserved on Cottonwood Shores' city council agenda for the meeting scheduled February 15, 2001, at 7:00 p.m. George Bird will be attending to provide the council with an update on the Cooperative's activities in your area as well as answer any questions you may have.

If there is a change in the date or time of the above scheduled meeting, please notify Ginny Bain at (830) 868-4921 or toll free at 1-888-554-4732, Extension 4921.

Sincerely,

Jeanell Davis  
Operations Manager

JD:GB:gb

cc: Wayne McKee

# COTTONWOOD SHORES POLICE DEPARTMENT

3915 COTTONWOOD DRIVE  
COTTONWOOD SHORES , TEXAS 78654

MONTHLY REPORT FOR JANUARY 2001

SUSPICIOUS PERSON/VEHICLES:	<u>1</u>
ABANDONED VEHICLE	<u>    </u>
ACCIDENTS	<u>1</u>
ASSAULTS/FAMILY VIOLENE	<u>1</u>
BURGLARIES	<u>1</u>
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	<u>    </u>
DISTURBANCES	<u>2</u>
THEFT	<u>1</u>
MISSING PERSONS	<u>    </u>
OTHER AGENCY ASSISTS / EMS/FIRE	<u>1</u>
HARASSMENT	<u>    </u>
TRESPASS	<u>    </u>
WELFARE CONCERN	<u>    </u>
DEATHS	<u>    </u>
MISCELLANEOUS CALLS	<u>8</u>
TOTAL CALLS	<u>16</u>
MUNICIPAL COURT CASES	<u>8</u>
ARRESTS	<u>1</u>
JUVENILE ARRESTS	<u>0</u>
HOURS WORKED	<u>465</u>
RES. HRS. WORKED	<u>10</u>
TOTAL HRS	<u>475</u>
TOTAL MILES DRIVEN	<u>2906</u>

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I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE WAS POSTED AT CITY HALL, 3808 COTTONWOOD DRIVE, COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS ON THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2001 AT 5:30 PM.

ATTEST:

  
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TENA COLLIER, CITY SECRETARY

