

MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES
THURSDAY - JULY 16, 1988

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL. MAYOR DALE PICKENS CALLED THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:07 P.M. AND A ROLL CALL WAS CONDUCTED; COMMISSIONER FRANK PFEIFER AND COMMISSIONER RAY WHITIS WERE PRESENT, REPRESENTING A QUORUM.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. THROUGH C. THE COUNCIL REVIEWED THE ITEMS PRESENTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA AND COMMISSIONER WHITIS MOVED TO ACCEPT AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER PFEIFER SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED ON VOTE.

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA:

A. TOWING BID - ALEXANDER AUTO. JERRY STEPHENS TOLD THE COUNCIL ABOUT HIS WRECKING-TOWING BUSINESS AND EXPLAINED HIS PROPOSAL FOR THE CITY'S BUSINESS. COMMISSIONER PFEIFER MOVED TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AND COMMISSIONER WHITIS SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED ON VOTE.

B. MARBLE FALLS LITTLE LEAGUE REQUEST FOR DONATION. THE MAYOR READ THE REQUEST BY THE MF LITTLE LEAGUE STATING THAT SOME OF THE PLAYERS LIVED IN THE CITY. THE COUNCIL TALKED BRIEFLY WITH CPA BURL HARPER AND THE MATTER WAS TABLED BY MAYOR PICKENS PENDING DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE CITY COULD LEGALLY MAKE SUCH A DONATION.

C. RESIDENT LINDA CLARK ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL REGARDING A PROBLEM IN HER YARD AS A RESULT OF THE SEWER WORK LONG AGO. MS. CLARK STATED THAT ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS THE CITY HAD WORKED ON THE AREA IN THE FRONT YARD BUT THAT BECAUSE THE SEWER LID WAS NOT PROPERLY BROKEN SO THAT THE AREA COULD FILL IN SOLID THE HOLE HAS GOTTEN LARGER AND DANGEROUS TO BE AROUND. SHE SHOWED PICTURES TO THE COUNCIL OF THE AREA. WHILE THE MAYOR STATED THAT THIS OCCURRED SOME THREE TO FOUR YEARS AGO AND THAT THE CITY WAS NOT GENERALLY IN THE BUSINESS OF GOING BACK YEARS AGO, HE HAD PERSONALLY INSPECTED THE SITUATION AND AGREED WITH MS. CLARK ABOUT THE PROBLEM. COMMISSIONER WHITIS ADDED THAT IF THE CITY-HIRED CONTRACTOR (BAY MAINTENANCE) DID NOT DO A GOOD JOB, IT FALLS TO THE CITY TO DO THE RIGHT THING. COMMISSIONER PFEIFER AGREED, MAKING A MOTION TO HAVE THE PUBLIC WORKS STAFF CORRECT THE SITUATION. THIS WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WHITIS AND CARRIED ON VOTE.

D. ANNEXATION OF HIGHWAY 2147 AND CITY-OWNED PROPERTIES. THE MAYOR ADVISED THE ATTENDEES THAT THE CITY COUNCIL WAS CONSIDERING INITIATING PROCEDURES TO ANNEX HIGHWAY 2147 ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE CITY LIMITS AND ADDITIONALLY, THE TWO PIECES OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY WITHIN CASTLE TERRACE. THE MAYOR STATED THAT THIS WOULD NOT EFFECT RESIDENTS EXCEPT FOR A SHORT SECTION (ABOUT 1/4 MILE) OF HEDGES DRIVE FROM HIGHWAY 2147 TO THE WATER RESERVOIR, WHICH THE CITY WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO MAINTAIN. COMMISSIONER PFEIFER ENUMERATED POSSIBLE BENEFITS TO THE CITY INCLUDING POSSIBLY GETTING THE SPEED LIMIT LOWERED ON HIGHWAY 2147, GETTING CITY LIMIT SIGNS ON EACH SIDE OF THE CITY ON THE HIGHWAY, POSSIBLY A SIGNAL LIGHT OF SOME SORT. THE WATER SYSTEM PROPERTIES IN CASTLE TERRACE ARE OWNED BY THE CITY AND SHOULD BE ANNEXED INTO THE CITY AS WELL. AFTER DISCUSSION, COMMISSIONER PFEIFER MOVED TO PROCEED WITH A PLAN TO ANNEX AND COMMISSIONER WHITIS SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH CARRIED ON VOTE.

E. HIGHLAND LAKES HABITAT FOR HUMANITY REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES/CHARGES FOR HOUSE TO BE BUILT ON LOTS 41-42 IN THE ROLLINGWOOD SECTION. THE COUNCIL DISCUSSED THE REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF THE BUILDING PERMIT FEE AND TAP FEES....IT APPEARS THAT OTHER CITIES DON'T DO THIS AND ALTHOUGH IT IS A GOOD CAUSE, IT COULD CREATE A PROBLEM IF OTHERS WERE BUILT LATER, AND AT THIS PARTICULAR LOCATION, THE CITY WILL DEFINITELY INCUR ADDITIONAL EXPENSE TO RUN WATER AND SEWER LINES TO THE PROPERTY. THE ITEM WAS TABLED AT THIS TIME BY MAYOR PICKENS.

F. GERRI PICKENS REQUESTED THAT THE COUNCIL PERMIT THE COMMUNITY CHURCH TO STORE ITS ANTIQUE PIECE OF FURNITURE AT THE CIVIC CENTER TO AVOID DAMAGING IT BY CARRYING IT BACK AND FORTH EACH SUNDAY. SHE STATED THAT IT WAS INSURED AND THE CITY WOULD CARRY NO LIABILITY SHOULD SOMETHING HAPPEN TO IT WHILE IN THE BUILDING. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION AMONG OTHERS ATTENDING THE MEETING AND THE COUNCIL, COMMISSIONER PFEIFER MOVED TO PERMIT THE STORAGE ON AN AGREEMENT ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. COMMISSIONER WHITIS SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED ON VOTE.

4. MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORTS.

A. CHIEF OF POLICE WALTER ELLIS THANKED THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE THERE WERE NO PROBLEMS WITH FIREWORKS AROUND JULY 4TH - COTTONWOOD SHORES WAS THE ONLY CITY THAT DIDN'T HAVE A RUN OF FIREWORKS CALLS. HE ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE FEDERAL COPS GRANT WAS APPROVED GIVING THE CITY TWO FULL TIME PAID OFFICERS - HIMSELF AND SGT. STEVE HALLMAN.....ADDING THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT STILL WOULD APPRECIATE DONATIONS FOR EQUIPMENT AND ITEMS THAT CANNOT BE PROVIDED THROUGH THE GRANT. ANOTHER PATROL UNIT IS NEEDED AS WELL AS ANOTHER RADAR UNIT.

POLICE ACTIVITY IN THE AREA HAS BEEN SETTLING DOWN BUT A NEW THING HAS BEEN DISCOVERED - KIDS ARE TAKING PLASTIC SACKS (LIKE FROM HEB) ROLLING THEM TIGHT, SCOTCH TAPING THEM, LIGHTING THEM AND SNIFFING FUMES....THIS STARTED A GRASS FIRE THIS WEEK WHICH FORTUNATELY WAS QUICKLY EXTINGUISHED BY THE HORSESHOE BAY VFD - THE DANGER OF THE STRONG SOUTHEAST WIND AND DROUGHT CONDITIONS INCREASE THE VERY DANGEROUS SITUATION AND ALL OF US NEED TO BE CONSTANTLY ON THE ALERT. CHIEF ELLIS SAID THAT IN CHECKING WITH OTHER POLICE AGENCIES, OFFICERS HAVE HEARD OF THE "BIG CIGAR" SNIFFING DEVICE, BUT CWS APPEARS TO BE THE FIRST CITY TO FIND EVIDENCE OF ITS USE IN THIS AREA.

B MAYOR PICKENS NOTED THE ABSENCE OF ANY PUBLIC WORKS STAFF AT THE MEETING. . . COMPLIMENTING THESE MEN WHO ARE WORKING ALL DAY IN THE HEAT, AND ALL BEING HOT AND STRESSED AND EDDIE PROCTOR IS NOT FEELING WELL AT ALL. THE PRIMARY PROJECT HAS BEEN COMPLETION OF THE BOAT RAMP BY JULY 1, 1998, THE FEMA DEADLINE. THE MAYOR ENCOURAGED EVERYONE TO GO DOWN AND SEE THE BOAT RAMP - THE AREA IS BETTER THAN IT EVER HAS BEEN. WITH THIS COMPLETED, THE WORK ON WESTWOOD CAN BE RESUMED, SUBJECT TO LINE BREAKS CAUSED BY THE GROUND SHIFTING DUE TO HEAT AND DRY CONDITIONS.

C. THE CITY ISSUED BUILDING PERMITS FOR ONE NEW HOUSE AND TWO FENCES IN THE MONTH.

D. CIVIC PRIDE IS PLANNING FURTHER WORK ON THE PICNIC TABLE PROJECT AT NOAH THOMPSON PARK, AND PAINTING THE CIVIC CENTER FLOOR. ALSO, LATER ON, SOME ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPING AROUND THE PALM TREES AT THE ENTRANCE INTO THE CITY.

E. GERRI PICKENS SAID THAT THE CHRONICLE IS RECEIVING DONATIONS TOWARD A NEW PRINTER AND THAT ONE HAS BEEN FOUND WHICH IS CHEAPER THAN ANTICIPATED. THE PAPER IS DELIVERING THE NEWSPAPER TO SHUT-INS IN THE CITY TO BRIGHTEN THEIR DAY. EVERYONE IS APPRECIATED FOR GETTING ARTICLES IN ON TIME. THE CHILDREN'S' CHURCH - 32 CHILDREN WENT SWIMMING AND HAD A GOOD TIME...GOOD ATTENDANCE AT THE ICE CREAM SOCIAL. ENJOYED THE 4TH JULY VFD ACTIVITIES.... AUGUST 7TH IS THE DATE FOR THE FIRST OF TWO POTLUCK DAYS BY THE CHURCH. PLANS TO START MEETINGS FOR THE CHRISTMAS EVENTS ARE FOR SEPTEMBER. AS ALWAYS, COMMUNITY SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED.

F. BARBARA MCBRIDE WAS ON HAND TO REPORT THAT THE VFD HAS A SUCCESSFUL 4TH OF JULY WITH SOME PROFIT AND A LOT OF FUN. SHE ALSO STATED THAT A FLYER WOULD BE OUT SOON AS THE RABIES CLINIC IS NOW SET FOR SATURDAY, 9-12, AUGUST 22, 1998, BY HOPE CLINIC, AT THE VFD STATION ON BIRCH.

5. OPEN DISCUSSION.

MAYOR PICKENS EXPRESSED THE CITY'S APPRECIATION FOR THE RESPONSE OF THE HORSESHOE BAY VFD TO THE GRASS FIRE RECENTLY. HE ALSO TOLD EVERYONE ABOUT THE DONATION OF DOG AND CAT SUPPLIES RECEIVED FROM WALMART - THE CITY SENT A LETTER OF THANKS TO MRS. BETTY PFEIFER AND WALMART FOR THINKING OF OUR NEEDS.

6. THERE BEING NO OTHER DISCUSSION, THE MAYOR ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 8:20 P.M.



Sue Porter

SUE PORTER, CITY SECRETARY

Dale Pickens

DALE PICKENS, MAYOR

Bro. Betty ~~Monte~~
David ~~Monte~~

John Austin
Linda Clark

P.F. ~~Monte~~

Burl Harper CHB

Walter ~~Monte~~

H. Walker

Larry Letcher

Barbara McBride

Jim ~~Monte~~

Pat ~~Monte~~

Gerrit Pickens

J. M. Wilson

REGULAR MEETING

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES
4111 COTTONWOOD DRIVE - CIVIC CENTER
THURSDAY, JULY 16, 1998 - 7:00 P.M.

A G E N D A

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.
2. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - A. MAY AND JUNE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.
 - B. MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING JUNE 18, 1998.
 - C. MINUTES, SPECIAL MEETING, JULY 2, 1998.
3. DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA:
 - A. TOWING BID - ALEXANDER AUTO.
 - B. REQUEST FOR DONATION - MARBLE FALLS LITTLE LEAGUE.
 - C. REQUEST REGARDING SEPTIC LID - LINDA CLARK.
 - D. ANNEXATION OF:
 - (1) LGC 43.103 - HIGHWAY 2147 FRONTING ALONG THE SOUTH CITY LIMIT LINE OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES
 - (2) LGC 43.028 - CITY-OWNED PROPERTY IN CASTLE TERRACE.
 - (3) LGC 43.101 - CITY-OWNED RESERVOIR AND THAT PART OF HIGHWAY 2147 AND HEDGES DRIVE NECESSARY TO PROVIDE INGRESS/EGRESS TO SAID RESERVOIR.
 - E. REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF FEES/CHARGES - HIGHLAND LAKES HABITAT FOR HUMANITY (LOTS 41-42, ROLLINGWOOD).
 - F. REQUEST FOR STORAGE - COTTONWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH.
4. MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT.
 - A. POLICE DEPARTMENT.
 - B. PUBLIC WORKS.
 - C. BUILDING PERMITS.
 - D. CIVIC PRIDE.
 - E. CHRONICLE AND COMMUNITY CHURCH.
 - F. VFD.
5. OPEN DISCUSSION.
6. ADJOURNMENT.

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE WAS POSTED AT CITY HALL, 3915
COTTONWOOD DRIVE, COTTONWOOD SHORES TEXAS ON THIS 13TH DAY OF
JULY, 1998 AT 5:00 P.M.

ATTEST BY:


SUE PORTER, CITY SECRETARY


DALE PICKENS, MAYOR

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]

