


**MINUTES OF A
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS
4111 COTTONWOOD DRIVE – CIVIC CENTER
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2000 AT 6:00 P.M.**


1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** Mayor Pickens called this Special Meeting to Order at 6:05 p.m. with Commissioner Phipps and Commissioner Pfeifer being in attendance, a Quorum was present.
2. **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST BY MS. DEBBIE SIERRA FOR A VARIANCE FROM ORDINANCE NO. 031193 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS PROHIBITING CERTAIN ANIMALS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS:** Ms. Sierra explained this was for her son's, Michael's, 4-H project. He would be raising two (2) sheep. They would need the variance for approximately 8 months beginning around June. Commissioner Phipps questioned whether they had consulted with their neighbors. Mr. Sierra stated he had discussed it with most of his neighbors. None had complained or protested. One neighbor, Ms. Diane Thompson, was present to show support for Michael. Commissioner Phipps stated she didn't see any reason why the Council couldn't approve this variance since it was for a good cause. Mayor Pickens recommended that the Council approve the variance since it is a good activity for young people to be involved in. He stated the approval should include that the pen must be kept clean to cut down on odor, and have the Animal Control Officer check on them from time to time. Mr. Sierra stated Michael would be responsible for keeping the pen clean as possible. Commissioner Pfeifer made a motion to approve the request for a variance provided they keep it clean. Commissioner Phipps seconded the motion, which carried. Mayor Pickens asked the Sierras to bring by a picture of the sheep and the pen for City records.
3. **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 020800 ACCEPTING A PETITION FOR ANNEXATION OF THE CASTLE TERRACE SUBDIVISION AND RESETTING THE DATES FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS:** Mayor Pickens read the proposed resolution. He then explained since the notice in *The Highlander* mistakenly had the wrong address and date of the proposed Public Hearing scheduled for February 8, 2000. The Council would need to approve this new resolution resetting the dates for the required Public Hearings. Commissioner Phipps then made a motion to approve Resolution No. 020800 as recorded. Commissioner Pfeifer seconded the motion, which carried.
4. **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ORDINANCE NO. 020800 TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 061898 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS REQUIRING UNIFORM APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF DULY RECORDED RESTRICTIONS AND ZONING AFFECTING THE USE OF REAL PROPERTY; REQUIRING COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN CODES; PRESCRIBING PERMITS, INSPECTIONS AND FEES:** Mayor Pickens stated Ordinance No. 061898 was in need of some changes. One thing, which needed to be corrected, was adding churches as Public Facilities. This was apparently done before, but left off the final copy of the ordinance. He noted the fees charged were low in comparison to the City of Marble Falls. Commissioner Pfeifer agreed the Council should raise the fees. According to what he paid Marble Falls for an electrical permit, the City of Cottonwood Shores is losing money. Mayor Pickens stated \$100.00 for an Electrical Permit was out of line. The City of Marble Falls permitting system is more involved and creates more paperwork than our small staff can manage. At this time, the City doesn't keep any of the Inspection Fees charged. Everything collected for inspections is paid to Triangle Inspections. The permit fees alone are not adequate for the expenses of the office and field staff to process paperwork and do site inspections. Mayor Pickens asked the


Council to consider a Construction Deposit, which would be refunded upon completion of the project. If project was not completed within a year or if site was not cleaned up after completion, the City could use those funds to pay for doing the clean up. This would help eliminate problems like we now have on Cypress where the house it not finished and we have no recourse. The City would already have the money in the bank before starting any clean up. Commissioner Pfeifer stated the City had not been charging enough for along time. Glenn doesn't get anything for his time or gas used during the inspections. He suggested raising the Subcontractor Fee to \$40.00. This would include Electrical, Plumbing and Mechanical Permits. Mayor Pickens stated now a Building Permit cost \$150.00. He wasn't sure that was enough to cover staff expenses. Commissioner Pfeifer stated \$200.00 ought to cover the City's expenses. Mayor Pickens stated he thought that \$200.00 was more in line. Commissioner Phipps stated the City didn't want to discourage growth by raising the fees too much. Everyone agreed. Mayor Pickens stated currently, Non-residence Fees are \$25.00. This included fences, carports and sheds. Commissioner Pfeifer stated, for two people to process paperwork and check for water lines we should raise that to \$40.00, except for fences. He wanted to see fences stay at \$25.00. Mayor Pickens noted Modifications are currently \$50.00. Commissioner Pfeifer recommended leaving Modifications at \$50.00. Mayor Pickens again asked about the refundable deposit. Commissioner Phipps stated the Council needed to add that to the ordinance. Mayor Pickens noted Horseshoe Bay charges \$500.00. Marble Falls doesn't charge a deposit, if someone doesn't clean up or finish in time the file charges on them and haul them into court. Commissioner Pfeifer said \$200.00 sounded adequate. He then made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 020800 amending Ordinance No. 061898 as discussed. Commissioner Phipps seconded the motion, which carried.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ORDINANCE NO. 020800-A AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS REGULATING THE USE; ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR EXCAVATION AND CUTTING OF CITY STREETS AND RIGHT-OF-WAYS:** Mayor Pickens called this Public Meeting to Order at 6:52 p.m. He then read the ordinance heading and explained changes in laws regulating utilities such as cable and telephone services into the City had changed. The new regulations made it to where the City no longer had a franchise agreement with GTE. He explained that they did not effect PEC. He stated the City needs some agreement to cover the streets. As it is now, they can come in and tear up streets with no recourse about the mess. He added the City Attorney prepared this ordinance. Mr. Euclid Phipps asked if the City could get a contract with GTE or Northland Cable like it has with PEC. Mayor Pickens explained with the changes in the regulations, GTE was able to get out of the contract. With no additional comments or questions, Mayor Pickens closed the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Pfeifer then made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 020800-A as recorded. Commissioner Phipps seconded the motion, which carried. Mayor Pickens added the notice for this ordinance would be posted in three public places within the City Limits (City Hall, Civic Center and new City Hall) for ten (10) days as allowed by law.
6. **OPEN DISCUSSION:** There was no discussion.
7. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Pickens adjourned this Special Meeting at 7:03 p.m.

ATTEST:


TENA COLLIER, CITY SECRETARY


DALE PICKENS, MAYOR





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AGENDA ITEM REQUEST

I hereby request the following subject to be placed on the Agenda for the next Regular Meeting of the City Commissioners of the City of Cottonwood Shores, Texas:

Date of next Regular Meeting: 2/8/00

Subject to be addressed: 4-H Project - raise 2 sheep.
JOANN - MUNICIPAL COURT - ANNUAL REPORT

Informational Presentation: Yes No

Requires Action by Commission: Yes No

Name(s) of requester: Debbie Sierra

Address: 3722 Lakeview Dr. Marble Falls TX 78654

Phone No.: 693-1701

Debbie Sierra 1/18/00
Requester Date

Tena Collier 1.21.00 2:15 pm
Received by City Employee Date Time a.m./p.m.



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ATTENDANCE RECORD CITY COMMISSIONERS MEETING CITY OF COTTONWOOD SHORES, TEXAS

DATE: 2.8.00

Please sign in:

Deane Thompson

Michael Siecca

Debbie Sierra

[Signature]

Ed. Phipps

[Signature]

February 10, 2000

Dear Council Members:

As the owner of Marty Mcflys Restaurant & Bar located on RR 2147, I would like to propose the concept of incorporating my restaurant into the City of Cottonwood.

My reason for asking for this incorporation is to obtain a "late hours" permit for my Establishment. I would ask for the late hours to occur only on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings and on long holiday weekends.

My wife and I have maintained a good standing with the TABC and the local law enforcement and have always succeeded in running a safe business. If we were granted the late hours permit, we would go to even further lengths to ensure a safe environment for people to go for a night out. We plan to employ an off duty police officer on weekends to ensure our customers have a secure place to frequent.

As a part of Cottonwood, we would also generate a new income into your city revenue through A city tax. Last year our gross sales were \$600,000.00 which gives you an idea of the Tax money that would go to the community.

Thank you for your time in considering this proposal. My wife and I feel we would be very good assets to your community and hope you will consider our request carefully.

Sincerely,

Maurice and Julie Docherty
Owners
Marty Mcflys Restaurant

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I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE WAS POSTED AT CITY HALL, 3915 COTTONWOOD DRIVE, COTTONWOOD SHORES, TX ON THIS 4TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2000 AT 5:00 PM.



DALE PICKENS, MAYOR

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