

# City of Meadowlakes Stated Meeting Minutes January 21, 2020

The City Council of the City of Meadowlakes held its Regular Meeting at Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall on January 21, 2020 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with the duly posted notice of said meeting.

## Present:

Mary Ann Raesener, Mayor  
Barbara Peskin, Councilmember  
Jerry Drummond, Councilmember  
Eddie Wise, Councilmember  
Gerry Mason, Councilmember

## Absent:

Mike Barry, Councilmember

## Staff:

Johnnie Thompson, City Manager  
Evan Bauer, City Secretary  
Debbie Holley, Treasurer

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION.** Mayor Raesener called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced the presence of a quorum.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER.** Mayor Raesener led Council and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Mason led the Council and guests in prayer.

3. **CITIZEN COMMENTS.**

Resident Carolyn Reiley voiced her concerns regarding the ongoing problem of neighborhood cats defecating in her yard and on her vehicle. This will be put on the next City Council agenda for further discussion.

Resident Susan Bailey spoke on the agenda item regarding a 2% tax increase. In her opinion, criteria have not been met to constitute a tax increase.

4. **MONTHLY STANDARD LIVE REPORTS:** The following live reports were given by staff:

**A. Current Operations and Consent items.** Mr. Thompson briefed Council on operations, as well as consent items as follows:

1. **Water treatment plant renovation** – Recently, the final replacement parts necessary to begin reassembling the one water treatment plant under renovation, have been delivered. The plant should be online by the end of February.
2. **Flood Control Pond** – Currently, city staff is looking into economical ways to aerate this pond.
3. **Ordinance & Animal Control** – The Ordinance Officer responded to 25 calls, issued 80 notices (the vast majority dealing visible trash cans from the street), issued 28

warning tickets (mainly for parking infractions), and 3 warning notices. One dog bite was investigated and cleared in December.

4. **Patrol Activity Report** - Our patrol officer logged 51 hours and 186 miles in December and issued one citation for failure to stop at a stop sign.
5. **Building Committee Report** – We currently have 15 open building permits; the Building Committee issued the following permits:

3 New Homes:	119 Turkey Run
	146 Marion
	326 Granite Row
1 Fence	
1 Patio	

**B. Golf Course & Food and Beverage** – David Klotz reported that the restaurant had a busy month of December, hosting 17 events. Multiple events for the month of January are already booked and restaurant staff is in the process of creating a new menu with the help of a company that assists restaurants with menu control. The Texas Tech Olli Foundation will be holding their spring kick off on January 30<sup>th</sup> and the Marble Falls High School golf team will be having their tournament on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

## 5. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. December City Council meeting minutes and January special meeting minutes – Evan Bauer, City Secretary
- B. December financial statements – Johnnie Thompson

After discussion, Councilmember Wise made a motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Mason, to approve the consent item as presented. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

## 6. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. **Discussion/Action: Ordinance 2020-01 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS CALLING AND ORDERING PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 321 OF THE TEXAS TAX CODE, A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2020 TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE CITIZENS DESIRE TO ADOPT A SALES AND USE TAX AT THE RATE OF TWO PERCENT (2%) FOR GENERAL REVENUE FOR THE CITY; APPROVING A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT WITH BURNET COUNTY; DESIGNATING A POLLING PLACE; PROVIDING FOR ELECTION PROCEDURES AND NOTICE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** After discussion, Councilmember Peskin made a motion to not approve this ordinance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Councilmembers Mason and Wise abstained from voting. Mayor Raesener voted to not approve this ordinance.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Discussion/Action: Approval of replat of lots 1096-A and 1097A, Meadowlakes, Section III into lot 1096-B, Meadowlakes Section III.** After discussion, Councilmember Mason made a motion

to approve the replat as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peskin and carried unanimously.

- B. **Discussion/Action: Granting a 3.5-foot front building setback variance for lots 512 and 513.** After discussion, Councilmember Mason made a motion to grant the 3.5 foot variance as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peskin and carried unanimously.
- C. **Discussion/Action: Resolution 2020-01- A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES CALLING FOR AND ORDERING A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND TWO COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR TWO (2) YEAR TERMS EACH; PROVIDING FOR CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** After discussion, Councilmember Peskin made a motion to order the May 2, 2020 general election. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wise and carried unanimously.
- D. **Discussion/Action: Amending Ordinance 2019-08 which establishes dates and times in which holiday decorations can be displayed.** The ordinance as it was, referenced chapter 23-3, and it should reference chapter 22-3. Councilmember Wise made a motion to amend Ordinance 2019-08 to reference chapter 22-3. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond and carried unanimously.
- E. **Discussion/Action – Adjourning to closed session per Section §551.074 Texas Government Code to discuss Personnel Matters – Review of City Manager, Johnnie Thompson.** This item was tabled. It will be placed on the next agenda.
- F. **Reconvene in open session and any action related to closed session.** Council did not adjourn to closed session.

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is February 18th at 6:00 p.m.

**9. ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Raesener adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

**Approved:** /S/ Mary Ann Raesener  
Mayor, Mary Ann Raesener

**Date:** February 12, 2020

**Attest:** /S/ Evan Bauer  
City Secretary, Evan Bauer

**Date:** February 12, 2020