

**City of Meadowlakes
City Council Stated Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2007**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION:

Mayor John Aaron called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. declaring that the required quorum was present at the Meadowlakes Municipal Building in Totten Hall, 177 Broadmoor, Meadowlakes, Texas. Members present were: Mayor John Aaron, and council members Christine Forsyth, Laird Landis, Camille Sweigart, and Bill Pickard. Also present were City Treasurer Eileen Harrison and City Secretary Linda Wendling. Councilmember Jaye Dawson was not in attendance.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER:

Councilmember Pickard led the meeting members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Sweigart led the meeting members and guests in prayer.

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS: (Limited to 15 minutes total on general subjects and agenda items. Agenda Item specific comments may also be made part of agenda item council discussion.)

A. There were no citizen comments.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. August 22, 2007 - Called Meeting (Attachment A)

Councilmember Sweigart made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Councilmember Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

B. September 4, 2007 - Stated Meeting (Attachment B)

Councilmember Pickard made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

C. September 11, 2007 - Called Meeting (Attachment C)

Councilmember Sweigart made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Councilmember Forsyth seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

D. September 18, 2007 - Called Meeting (Attachment D)

Mayor Aaron suggested a real-time change in Item II, New Business, changing the word "contract" to "project." Councilmember Pickard made a motion to accept the minutes as amended in real-time. Councilmember Landis seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT - Eileen Harrison, Treasurer (Attachment E)

A. September Financials Treasurer Harrison presented the September financials, highlighting it was the end of the fiscal year but outstanding payables are delaying those final figures, and review of the last two line-item transfers that were presented during last month's council session. Upon Mayor Aaron opening the floor for discussion there was no comment.

B. Line Item Transfers - There were no line items. Councilmember Forsyth made a motion to accept the financial report as written. Councilmember

Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

VI. REPORTS:

A. Johnnie Thompson – Director PWD, Activity Report for September

(Attachment F) Mr. Thompson presented the Public Works Department (PWD) report, highlighting an update on the storm water drain pipe project, outstanding payables delaying the figures for year-end until approximately the 15th, and the TOC meeting on the 26th to discuss the drainage project in which they are in agreement thereof.

B. Animal Control - Robbie Galaway, Officer - Activity Report for Sept.

(Attachment G) Mr. Galaway presented the Animal Control Report, highlighting recent fox sightings, a rattlesnake being located at 410 Meadowlakes Drive, warning citations being issued for lack of registration with the City and follow-up thereof. Council discussion ensued.

C. Ordinance Enforcement - Mac McCurdy, Officer - Act. Report for September

(Attachment H) Mr. McCurdy presented the Ordinance Enforcement Report, highlighting that it was a slow month, there was one serious domestic incident of a man with a gun and a hit and run of a mailbox in which the culprit was located and will reimburse the complainant.

D. POA - Don Williams, Presiding Officer - Activity Report for September

(Attachment I) Mr. Don Williams presented the POA Activity Report, highlighting the Wayne Dollar Park, dock & boat ramp repair coming soon, street maintenance, the RV parking losing two spots due to LCRA request, correction to the perimeter fence location on lots near the front gate, and the upcoming election of the POA board members. Audience questions and discussion ensued.

E. Building Committee - Herb Lewis, Chairman - Act. Report for September

(Attachment J) Mr. Lewis presented the Building Committee Report, highlighting that it was a slow month for the committee and that only two meetings were held during the month with only 13 open permits. Mr. Lewis additionally reported that due to the City's maturity and the addition of the PWD that he felt, in conjunction with the Building Committee Members, that the straight-forward building requests and permits should be the inherent responsibility of a staff member of the PWD. Mr. Lewis stated variances should be handled separately by an advisory commission and that the Planning & Zoning Committee should be left as-is. Council and audience discussion ensued. Mayor Aaron stated it would be taken under advisement and listed on next month's agenda.

F. Floodplain Administrator-Jerry Bostick, Chairman-Act. Report for Sept.

No report, no activity.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Action/discussion: Approval of Auditor Contract FY2008 - Harper

(Attachment K) Treasurer Harrison introduced this item by responding to questions raised at the last council session, highlighting that the Sarbanes-Oxley Act does not apply and that the combined price of the audit would be cheaper in subsequent years but due to requiring additional assistance and information during the transition the additional work offsets the efficiencies. Council and audience discussion ensued. Mayor Aaron recommended that we accept the contract for one more year. Councilmember Landis made a motion to approve the auditor contract for FY2008 and consider proposals for next

year. Councilmember Forsyth seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Action/discussion: Ordinance 2007-12 tree overhang

Mayor Aaron introduced this item by providing some background of the concerns and problems incurred due to tree overhang. Mayor Aaron informed on communications with the City Attorney whereby the City has police authority due to safety concerns on the privately owned streets. Council and audience discussion ensued. Mayor Aaron stated that he will have an off-line discussion with the POA on parameters and bring something back for review during next council session.

B. Action/discussion: Update Exhibit "B" of Ordinance 2006-18 to include a new revision level and adoption date of the Meadowlakes Zoning Maps - Aaron/Lewis (Attachment L)

Mayor Aaron introduced this item by stating that this ordinance includes a new revision level and adopts the latest map for Meadowlakes zoning. Mayor Aaron read Ordinance 2007-16 into record (a new ordinance in lieu of updating the original ordinance). Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Landis made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2007-16 as written. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the motion. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Landis amended his motion to adopt Ordinance 2007-16 as written and waive the second reading. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the amended motion. The amended motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

C. Action/discussion: Council member liabilities additional coverage -

Councilmember Landis introduced this item by providing a summary of the information he discovered stating that TML coverage covers official acts only but offer no coverage for non-official acts. Councilmember Landis recommended each member obtain private blanket coverage if so interested. Mayor Aaron reported that he discovered similar information and further explained his findings. Council discussion ensued.

D. Action/discussion: Elect three new positions to Planning & Zoning Committee - Lewis (Attachment M)

Mayor Aaron introduced this item by reading Resolution 07-013 into record. Mayor Aaron recommended Joe Summers for Chairman, Alan Huddleston for Place Number 3 and Doug Faulkner for Place Number 5. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Pickard made a motion to accept the resolution as written thereby accepting the nominations. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

E. Action/discussion: Ordinance 2007-13 - Adjustment to allowable electrical practices - Lewis (Attachment N)

Building Committee Chairman Lewis introduced this item by providing a summary of its purpose and origination, highlighting pertinent inserts from the International Residential Business Code and National Electrical Code, and Pedernales Electric Company's history with local municipalities. Council and audience discussion ensued. Councilmember Sweigart made a motion to kill Ordinance 2007-13 and not approve. Councilmember Landis seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

F. Action/discussion: Authorize purchase of dump truck for Public Works Department - Thompson (Attachment O)

Mr. Thompson introduced this item by referring to Attachment O, highlighting the necessity for the dump truck, that the funds have been budgeted for, the one-time POA payment of \$20K to assist in its acquisition, and specifications of the two dump trucks. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Landis made a motion to purchase the dump truck from Philpott Motors. Councilmember Sweigart seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

G. Action/discussion: Allied Waste System request for rate increase, contract renewal, and type of service provided - Thompson (Attachment P)

Mr. Thompson introduced this item by providing a summary of the history of their services via MUD, contract renewal dates, and contract increases thereof. Mr. Steve Shannon, Mr. Mark Powell and Mr. Keith Conrad of Allied Waste System offered a presentation to the meeting members and guests with the assistance of visual diagrams, letters, and bulleted information sheets. Audience and council discussion and questions continued throughout the presentation. Councilmember Forsyth made a motion to table the contract until next council session. Councilmember Landis seconded the motion. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Sweigart requested they resubmit Proposal A with and without the pricing of the leaf/brush pickup. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members.

IX. TASK LISTING

A. Report/action of Task Items - Each Task Assignee

- Item 15, Mr. Pullen left the meeting early so could not report.
- Item 40, work in progress.
- Item 51, Mr. Thompson took an action to speak with the new owners regarding signage, this item was assigned to Mr. Thompson on 10/2/07.

X. COUNCIL AND MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A.** Mayor Aaron stated that Marble Falls EMS has worked a multi-year contract and it will be on the next council session agenda.
- B.** Councilmember Landis requested that the issue with leaves on the streets be added to the next council agenda.
- C.** Councilmember Forsyth stated tomorrow is the EMS Fish Fry.
- D.** Councilmember Sweigart stated the POA annual meeting is 10/13 at the club.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Pickard made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Landis seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the present council members. The meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Approved:

/s/ John Aaron _____ **Date: 11/6/07**
Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Linda A. Wendling _____ **Date: 11/6/07**
City Secretary