

THE CITY OF SHOREACRES MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JANUARY 10, 2005 AT 7:00 P.M IN THE SHOREACRES CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 601 SHOREACRES BLVD., SHOREACRES, TEXAS, HARRIS COUNTY TEXAS.

1.0 ROLL CALL

NANCY EDMONSON	MAYOR	PRESENT
JAYO WASHINGTON	MAYOR PRO TEM	PRESENT
JOE GOMER	ALDERMAN	PRESENT
VICKIE ELLIS	ALDERMAN	PRESENT
DAN BLANCHARD	ALDERMAN	PRESENT
TOM REVAK	ALDERMAN	PRESENT
ROBIN ELDRIDGE	ACTING CITY SECRETARY	PRESENT

2.0 CITIZEN'S PRESENTATION

2.1 Citizen's Comments

Anita Willis, 1009 West Forest

➤ Reported having problems with her recycling. BFI broke the container while throwing it into the ditch, instead of placing it next to her driveway.

➤ Suggested that we establish some type of recycling drop-off center here in Shoreacres.

Mayor Edmonson said that the drop-off recycling of paper still exists, but the bin is now located next to Bayshore Elementary.

➤ Asked if Forest Ave. was going to be repaved, since someone was marking off the side of the road.

Mayor Edmonson said that Ms. Willis' part of Forest was not on the schedule for repaving, but that she would try and found out whowas out there staking things out.

➤ Asked if the culverts could be cleaned out; the mosquitoes are so bad because of the standing water.

Asked about the testing of fire hydrants a couple of meetings ago and where we stood on that.

Mayor Edmonson advised that we checked into itt and that the La Porte Volunteer Fire Department Personnel come out and test out hydrants annually during one of their training exercises, but if you haven't seen them or don't think that they have been out, please let her know. Reported that Public Works flushes them periodically also.

Greg Bess, 3316 Sunrise

Asked if we had looked at additional street lighting, there is a need in the major thoroughfares.

Volunteered his driveway to the Police Department to stake out speeders.

Mayor Edmonson said that she would check into it.

Dianne Victor, 3342 Miramar

Asked for the Police Department to patrol her street because the school bus driver speeds down her street in the mornings.

Mayor Edmonson said she has contacted the School District and will get the Chief of Police to contact them again.

Mark Jones, 630 Oakdale

Said that whatever the City was doing to keep the graffiti away from Circle Park is working. The new tables are still clean.

Reported that when the ditches on his street were cleaned out, they left all the "stuff" in the culverts, which still blocks the drainage. At one time, the City used a slope mower to mow the ditch but the last few times they have driven a tractor and it has caused deep ruts in the ditches, which now holds standing water.

Mary Beth Maher, 3610 Miramar

- Still needs limbs to line paths at the new Park.
- Asked if City Hall recycled.

Mayor Edmonson said that the City will put a bin out and begin recycling at City Hall.

Tom Coleman, 207 Shoreacres Blvd.

He along with other volunteers used to walk down different streets in the city and pick up cans, trash, and other stuff and separate and recycle it.

3.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

3.1 Council Reports/ General Discussion

Alderman Washington

Had a neighbor ask about an update on the Oakdale repaving from Sunrise to Miramar.

Mayor Edmonson said this area is part of the contract that just started, and all four of the streets along that are in this project will be done within the next three to four months.

The City will then repave East and West Bayou north of Shoreacres Blvd.

He's going to start speaking to the Public Works Director, Eloy, about getting the old backhoe ready to sell; he has a potential buyer and said we should be able to get close to \$5,000.00 or more.

Alderman Gomer

Reported a pile of dirt in the ditch on Baywood where Public Works had done some work.

At the end of Miramar at Shell Beach, the area should be a no parking zoneto prevent cars from blocking the fire hydrant

Mayor Edmonson said that there is a yellow painted line that designates this.

Alderman Ellis

Said that when they were redoing the ditches on Westview they left rutts all up and down the street, and asked whether or not this was going to be fixed.

Mayor Edmonson replied that we had rented an asphalt roller, but have since returned it, due to the cost. Now, when Public Works does any hot patching, they rent a roller for they day. She said that she doesn't really want to fix too much of that portion of Westview until after the work is done on Baywood and Shadylawn because it will probably get worse. She said that Westview was paved inexpensively as a street overlay, and she has already asked the County to repave that area as a part of the next paving joint venture.

Alderman Blanchard

Asked how a citizen could get a brief list of ordinances.

Mayor Edmonson said that basic questions can be answered by Robin or Latane Lamb, the Building Official or if they have several questions, they can come by city hall and pay \$5.00 for a Building Permit Packet. They may also go to our website and view the ordinances on line.

Mayor Edmonson

Said that Mr. Tom Coleman has been the city's representative for SEACAP for the last several years. Typically those meetings are not public meetings, but this next Wednesday night there will be an open meeting at 7:00 p.m. in Seabrook at the Ed White Youth Center; the topic will be port security.

Reported that the next Harris County Mayors and Council meeting will be at the Houston Yacht Club, next Thursday night. The City of Morgan's

Point will be hosting the meeting. Mayor Edmonson, Alderman Ellis, and Joe Gomer so far plan to attend, and asked that any others planning to go too R.S.V.P. to Robin.

She and Alderman Washington have begun interviewing for the position of the City Administrator. They have received over twenty applications and have narrowed it down to around seven applicants. Reported on the sewer line that collapsed a few days before Christmas in the easement between Sunrise and Westview. They used a temporary pump-around for awhile, and then it just started flowing again. Public Works has obtained a bid for the repair, but it is quite high. It had appeared that cement was poured around a couple of the taps that were made which caused the sewer line to collapse.

3.2 Review/Discuss Public Works and Public Works Reports.

A Public Works Report was submitted hereto as attachment "A".

A Police Report was submitted as attachment "B".

Mayor Edmonson said that there were several wrecks on Christmas Eve due to the snow. TxDOT eventually went out and spread some sand.

4.0 REGULAR ITEMS

4.1 Swearing in and welcoming of the new Police Officer Carolyn Tanner, Patrolman in the Police Department.

Mayor Edmonson said that the new Police Officer, Carolyn Tanner, is taking over the full time police officer position since Dodeous Manolscu is in training for the position of the DOT Officer.

Mayor Edmonson gave the oath of office and swore in Officer Carolyn Tanner.

4.2 Consider/Approve Ordinance Number 2005-1, A Subrecipient Grant Agreement with the General Land Office for Financial Assistance for the "Coastal Management Program, Cycle #9" Grant funds.

Mayor Edmonson said that this grant is for improvements to the new park, including the observation deck and kayak launch and the two small bridges. Once

the grant is executed by Shoreacres and the GLO, then we are officially allowed to spend the grant money.

Motion was made by Alderman Washington and seconded by Alderman Gomer to approve Ordinance Number 2005-1 as written.

MOTION CARRIES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

4.3 Consider/Approve Ordinance Number 2005-2, An Ordinance Designating The Bayshore Sun as the Official Newspaper for the City of Shoreacres.

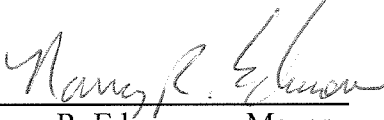
Alderman Gomer made a motion and was seconded by Alderman Ellis to approve Ordinance Number 2005-2 as written.

MOTION CARRIES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

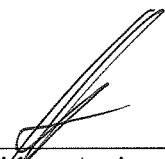
Mayor adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:44 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF MARCH,
2005.**



Nancy R. Edmonson, Mayor

ATTEST:



~~Robin Eldridge, Acting City Secretary~~
David K. Stall