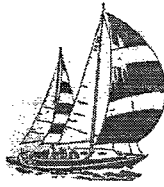


City of Shoreacres



MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Shoreacres, Texas met in Regular Session on
Monday, April 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 601 Shoreacres Blvd.,
Shoreacres, Texas, with the following present constituting a quorum:

Alderman Gerry Victor, Mayor pro tem Richard Adams, Mayor Dolly Arons, Alderman Connie Ramirez
Absent: Aldermen Nancy Schnell and Dana Woodruff

1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dolly Arons at 7:00 p.m.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS, SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS & COMMENTS

3.1 Employee Recognition

3.1.1 Brenda Kent, Ten Year Service Recognition – Brenda Kent, the City's Court Clerk, was recognized for her ten years of service with the City of Shoreacres.

3.1.2 David Newman, Ten Year Service Recognition – Police Officer David Newman was recognized for his ten years of service with the City of Shoreacres.

3.2 Citizens Comments

Howard Dahl - 511 Baywood – Mr. Dahl informed us that when he contacted Centerpoint at 2:30 am on April 11th to report an electrical outage, they told him that they did not handle the electricity lines in the City. Mr. Dahl asked if the City would call or write a letter to ERCOT or to the PUC to advise them of the communication problem. Mr. Dahl also asked about the likelihood of getting power to the Gazebo in Circle Park. Mr. Stall indicated that the line between the tennis court and the Gazebo has a problem that needs to be repaired.

Patrick Stanton – 128 Shadylawn – Mr. Stanton stated that Friday night and Saturday morning the clanging and banging from the Port was especially noisy. Mr. Stanton asked if we had received any noise data from Mr. LeCompte, who offered to monitor noise levels. Mr. Stanton asked if we had any additional information on the Cold Ironing report to reduce noise levels. Mr. Stanton stated that we should have the POHA identify all sources of noise, and try to eliminate each source of noise. Some noise could come from operators, others from specific ships, but we don't really know. Mr. Stanton believes that the noise evaluation conducted by the consultants presents data that was extrapolated from inaccurate data. Mr. Stanton would like to have someone actually

record sound levels at the source. Even if the sound curtain proposal proceeds, it will take two years before it's operational. Mr. Stanton also indicated that he is hearing noise from rail road tracks from Odfjell. The Mayor will request that the Port make a presentation to Council on April 25.

Gerry Victor also added that the Port noise was really loud Friday evening and Saturday morning.

Anita Willis – 1009 Forest Ave. Ms. Willis reported on the La Porte CAC meeting. There were visual demonstrations including one on nitrogen. DuPont presented a slime visual. Lyondell/Bassell presented a science experiment using vinegar and baking soda in a beaker. The noise from the Port Friday night and Saturday morning was awful. There also is train noise from Odfjell. Additional noise is created when Odfjell relieves line pressure at dock instead of the bleed valve at the tank. If the lines are bled correctly, the noise would not be heard in Shoreacres.

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes for special council meeting, March 28, 2011.

There was a motion to approve minutes for March 28, 2011 (Richard Adams/Second: Gerry Victor). Motion carried unanimously.

5.0 REPORTS

5.1 Council Reports

5.1.1 Mayor Arons – The Economic Alliance meeting was cancelled so there was no report.

5.1.2 Mayor Pro Tem Adams – Councilman Adams attended the LPCAC meeting. Gary Miller, PPG, talked about Phosgene, which can be dangerous. On May 3rd, the LPCAC expects to have a presentation on marine ships. Councilman Adams contacted TxDOT to request that they paint the edge of the center median yellow. He also reported about confusion going east bound into the City across Highway 146. Stan Krauhs mentioned that there is confusion going west, as well.

5.1.3 Councilwoman Ramirez – Ms. Ramirez reported that she and other councilmen attended a tour of the Lyondell/Bassell facility on March 30th. There was a slide show on the differences of each facility and a tour of one plant. On Saturday, Connie Ramirez participated in Lyondell/Bassell's Global Care Day.

Gerry Victor requested that we find out what materials are contained in the storage tanks adjacent to the City and to find out if the tank skins are double or single. He also would like to know what plans exist to prevent a chain reaction, should an accident occur.

5.2 Staff Reports

5.2.1 City Administrator - Mr. Stall presented an update on progress filling the public works director position. Several applications were received and interviews will begin this week.

The City received the preliminary results of the financial audit and is expected to receive a final copy for presentation at the April 25th City Council meeting.

Two surplus tractors and a police cage were listed for sale on the GovDeals website. Several bids already were received.

A computer and telephone have been installed in the Tom Coleman Meeting Room for use by Public Works staff.

Computer updates were installed for the City Administrator and Court Clerk.

Knudson Services is preparing design documents for the Gateway entrance sign. They will order a survey and geotechnical report. Once those are received, they will start construction detail and layout plans.

The City initiated project clean sweep with a three man crew and a team leader. The crew began removing dead trees on City property. The City hopes to hire additional employees this week. Scheduled projects include demolishing the old City Hall building and gutting the interior of the public works building, which was flooded in Hurricane Ike. Public Works staff will work out of the Tom Coleman room until the building is refurbished.

Last week, Mr. Stall met with the City Engineer to discuss replacing water mains from Byway to Park between Baywood and Shadylawn, Byway to Park between Shadylawn and Oakdale, and Old Highway 146 to Byway between Meadowlawn and Forest. The City Engineer and Mr. Stall also discussed ditches and culverts on the south side of the 600 block of Baywood. A storm water ditch and culvert survey is being conducted on the south side of the 600 block of Baywood. This week, the north side of Baywood will be surveyed and drawings prepared for our review. Once these drawings are available, the City can determine what work is required to improve drainage in the 600 block of Baywood.

Clean-up Green-up was completed in a record 3 ½ days, due to the use of a roll off container to reduce trips to the dump site.

5.2.2 Police Report

Richard Adams summarized major points of the police report.

	February	March
Accidents	3	1
Animal Calls	3	6
Arrests	11	14
Calls for service	55	96
Suspicious vehicles/Persons	8	13
Thefts/Burglaries	1	5

5.2.2.1 Corporal Manolescu – Commercial Vehicle Enforcement

Corporal Manolescu gave a slide presentation on activities involved in conducting commercial vehicle inspections on trucks. The discussion focused on checking the viability of brakes, brake lines, and load securement.

6.0 BUSINESS

- 6.1 Consideration and Approval of Invoices. There was a motion to pay our bills (Gerry Victor/Second: Connie Ramirez). Motion carried unanimously.

- 6.2 Consideration and action to approve an inter-local agreement with Harris County to provide for the receipt and confinement of prisoners in the Harris County Jail; and, authorizing the Mayor to execute such agreement.

The City of Shoreacres has an agreement with the City of La Porte for use of their jail. We would only need to use the County Jail if the City of La Porte were unable to accept prisoners. It makes sense for us to continue the agreement with the County as a back-up plan. There is no down side to approving the agreement with the County, since it does not cost the City money unless we use it. There was a motion (Richard Adams/Second: Gerry Victor) to approve the inter-local agreement with Harris County.

- 7.0 **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25TH DAY OF APRIL, 2011.



ATTEST:

David K. Stall, City Secretary

Dolly Arons

Dolly Arons, Mayor