City of Shoreacres



MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Shoreacres, Texas, met in Regular Session on Monday, April 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 601 Shore Acres Blvd., Shoreacres, Texas with the following present constituting a quorum:

Mayor

Matt Webber

Mayor pro tem

Rick Moses

Alderman

Steven Jones

Alderwoman

Nancy J. Schnell

Alderman

Bo Bunker

Alderman

Mike Wheeler

City Administrator / City Secretary

David K. Stall, CFM

1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

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

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- 3.1 <u>Proclamation: Fair Housing Month</u> Mayor Webber proclaimed the month of April 2014 as "Fair Housing Month in the City of Shoreacres, Texas" and urged all the citizens to become aware of and support the Fair Housing Law.
- 3.2 <u>Proclamation: Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Month</u> Mayor Webber proclaimed the month of May 2014 as "Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Month" in the City of Shoreacres, Texas.

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 Regular Council Meeting March 24, 2014 – Rick Moses moved to approve the March 24, 2014 Regular Council Meeting minutes; seconded by Bo Bunker. Motion carried unanimously.

5.0 COUNCIL REPORTS & REQUESTS

5.1 Mayor Webber attended the *State of the Cities* luncheon at the Houston Yacht Club, during which he reported on the numerous improvement projects that are going on in our city. Also in attendance and providing updates of activities in their respective cities were Mayor pro-tem Michel Bechtel of Morgan's Point and Mayor Lois Rigby of La Porte. Mayor Webber also were on hand to welcome competitors to the Houston Yacht Club 28th Annual Elissa Regatta, proceeds from this event will not only help with the maintenance and restoration of the Elissa but also fund community activities and educational programs for youth and adults.

Councilwoman Nancy Schnell requested of Mayor Webber to utilize the electronic sign for posting of major events in our city.

6.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS & PUBLIC COMMENTS

6.1 Citizen's Comments:

Mr. David Solomon - 3330 & 3332 Miramar: Mr. Solomon, a local custom home builder, is appealed to Council for assistance in remedying a situation with one of the homeowners on Miramar. Mr. Solomon stated that he has a large financial investment in Shoreacres real estate and the homeowner is creating unnecessary expenses for his company. He asks for leniency regarding the city regulations that limit the hours of construction.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- City Administrator Report: (1) In response to Mr. Solomon's statement, Mr. Stall 7.1 clarified the city's code regarding noise & construction hours. He stated that the code does not put a limit on the hours of construction, but it does restrict the operating hours of equipment. (2) Mr. Stall recognized the city employment anniversary of Ms. Brenda Kent (thirteen years) and Chief Harrison (two years). Congratulations and thank you to both for their service. (3) We are still waiting to hear from the Harris County Attorney's Office for their response regarding: a) animal control contract; b) right-of-way permit for the Shore Acres Blvd. water line extension; and, c) deed documents for the purchase of a property on Seagrove to be used for storm water drainage. (4) Harris County Commissioner Morman's has allocated construction funds for another section of street replacement in Shoreacres, being the section of West Forest between West Country Club and Centre. To facilitate the street project storm drainage the city will need to lower a water main. There are no funds provided by the County to cover the cost of water line movement; it will need to be fully funded by the city. (5) In 2011 we entered into a lease contract with Documation for copier equipment, last week Documation replaced our old copier with a more efficient machine at no additional monthly cost.
 - 7.1.1 <u>Water Plant #1 Update</u> we are progressing with the SCADA system integration at the water plants. We are also working on excessive aeration issues.
- 7.2 Police Chief Troy Harrison Monthly Department Report Chief Harrison reported that there were no major incidents in the month of March. He reported that he received plaque in honor of Chief Randall French to be mounted in the lobby of the Police station. He also reported that the Police Department received a check from the District Attorney's office as a result of money that was confiscated during a traffic stop drug arrest by Officer Thompson. He reported that Officer Haase has completed his training with the department in a very short time as a result of his many years of experience. Office Haase is now on the rotation schedule
- 7.3 Acting Public Works Director Erick Ingram Monthly Department Report Mr. Ingram reported that during the month of March we purchased 5,042,000 gallons of water compared to the February purchase of 4,000,000 gallons. Public Works installed three water taps for new service on Miramar; they also repaired three main water line breaks.

8.0 BUSINESS

8.1 Consideration and approval of invoices.

Rick Moses moved to pay our bills; Seconded by Mike Wheeler. Motion carried unanimously

8.2 Consideration and action to approve rescheduling the first regular city council meeting of May from Memorial Day, Monday, May 26 to Tuesday, May 27.

Nancy Schnell moved to reschedule the second regular city council meeting of May to Tuesday, May 27, 2014; Seconded by Bo Bunker. Motion carried unanimously.

8.3 <u>Discussion of the effect of the Grimm-Waters 2014 (GW-14) Homeowner Flood</u> Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 (HFIAA 14) on Shoreacres' homeowners.

Mr. Stall discussed the effects of the HFIAA-14 on the cost of flood insurance in the city.

8.4 <u>Consideration and action to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-158 requiring that recordings of council meetings be used to satisfy the Texas Government Code in lieu of written minutes approved by council.</u>

Nancy Schnell requested this item to be held over for the April 28, 2014 council agenda.

Matt Webber, Mayor

9.0 ADJOURNMENT.

Rick Moses moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m.; Seconded by Bo Bunker. Motion carried unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 28TH DAY OF APRIL, 2014.

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, CFM

City Administrator / City Secretary