City of Shoreacres



MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Shoreacres, Texas, met in Regular Session on Monday, April 27, 2015 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

Rick Moses

Mayor pro tem

Richard Adams

Alderman

Bo Bunker

Alderman

Neil Moyer

Alderwoman

Nancy J. Schnell

Alderman

Mike Wheeler

City Administrator / City Secretary

David K. Stall, CFM, TEM

1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

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

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION

3.1 None

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 Regular Council Meeting April 13, 2015 – Richard Adams moved to approve the April 13, 2015 Regular Council Meeting minutes; Seconded by Bo Bunker. Motion carried unanimously.

5.0 COUNCIL REPORTS & REQUESTS

5.1 Mayor Moses – Report on meetings attended.

Mayor Moses held numerous meetings with TxDOT representatives regarding the installation of a traffic light at Old Hwy 146 & Shore Acres Blvd.; and, evaluating a safer feeder road merging onto Hwy 146 North from Shore Acres Blvd.

A second Town Hall meeting has been scheduled with representatives of TxDOT. The meeting will be held at the Houston Yacht Club on Wednesday, May 6 at 6:00 p.m. The discussion subject will be the Sound Wall at Hwy 146.

6.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS & PUBLIC COMMENTS

6.1 <u>Citizen Comments</u>:

<u>David Jennings</u>, <u>1017 W. Forest</u> – Mr. Jennings voice his opinions on tonight's Agenda Item 8.2; Item 8.3 and Item 8.4.

Ron Hoskins, 418 Seagrove – Mr. Hoskins commented on the subject of political signs placement.

<u>Charles Haist, 122 Meadowlawn</u> – Mr. Haist complimented our Police Department, Chief Harrison, and his staff for their assistance with keeping trespassers off the members only Shoreacres Recreation Association pier.

<u>James Hedges, 2 Shore Acres Circle</u> – Mr. Hedges concured with Mr. Haist on his comment.

<u>Darlene Bays</u>, 616 <u>Baywood</u> – Ms. Bays suggested a once a year Clean-Up Green-Up, where cut tree branches can be mulch-up for citizens to use in their yards. Also, there's a house on Baywood that has been vacant since Hurricane lke and it is being used for business storage; there should be a time limit on building permits.

<u>Alicia McCarty, 506 Baywood</u> – Ms. McCarty asked for a resolution to the fluctuation of the monthly meter reads at her resident.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1 <u>City Administrator Report</u>: Mr. Stall reported on the following: Public Works is now staffed with two boom mower operators. One of our Public Works employees has recently completed the animal control officer training. Our audit presentation will be on Tuesday May 26th. He attended the required bi-annual Public Fund Investment Act training in Austin last week. Mr. Ray Dodd has resigned to accept another position. Republic Waste is behind again on the heavy pick-up; therefore, we will be utilizing an alternative service to keep the accumulation from getting too large.

7.2 Monthly Financial report

General Fund Checking	\$ 571,659.22
Utility Fund Checking	\$ 27,647.97
Service Deposit Checking	\$ 56,863.36
TxCDBG Checking	\$ 100,576.59
TexPool	\$ 595,830.68
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 255,852.00
Property tax collected YTD	\$ 825,937.30
General sales tax collected YTD	\$ 37,263.71
Road maintenance sales tax collected YTD	\$ 1,332.67

8.0 BUSINESS

8.1 <u>Consideration and approval of invoices</u>.

Nancy Schnell moved to pay our bills; Seconded by Neil Moyer. Motion carried unanimously.

8.2 <u>Discussion and action to approve a plan for soliciting voluntary contributions to benefit city parks as authorized by Resolution No. 2013-118.</u>

After discussion, Council approved Mr. Stall's recommendation to proceed with the use of a pre-printed sheet of three monthly coupons to be insert with the utility bill quarterly.

8.3 <u>Discussion and action to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-179 amending City Code Sec. 2-82 Norms of operation.</u>

Bo Bunker moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-179. Seconded by Neil Moyer. Motion carried with Bo Bunker, Neil Moyer, and Mike Wheeler voted For. Richard Adams and Nancy Schnell voted Opposed.

8.4 Review of city policies, rules, regulations, and state statutes relating to the placement of political signs.

Mr. Moyer led the discussion to review the city political sign policies, rules, and regulations. Attorney Noman Giles representing the City of Shoreacres advised council that removal of the signs did not create any First Amendment right issues and that the city had the authority to remove signs from city property. No action was taken.

8.5 <u>Consideration and approval of the 2015 consumer price index adjustment to municipal telecommunications right-of-way access line rates.</u>

Nancy Schnell moved to accept the 2015 consumer price index adjustment to municipal telecommunication right-of-way access line rates. Seconded by Mike Wheeler. Motion carried unanimously.

Rick Moses, Mayor

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

With no further business pending on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Moses at 8:03 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 11th DAY OF May, 2015.

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, QFM, TEM

City Administrator / City Secretary

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