City of Shoreacres



MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Shoreacres, Texas, met in Regular Session on Monday, May 11, 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 Mayor Moses proclaimed the week of May 10-17, 2015 as National Police Week in the City of Shoreacres.
- 3.2 Mayor Moses proclaimed the month of May, 2015 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in the City of Shoreacres.

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 Regular Council Meeting April 27, 2015.

Neil Moyer moved to approve the April 27, 2015 Regular Council Meeting minutes; Seconded by Nancy Schnell. Motion carried unanimously.

5.0 COUNCIL REPORTS & REQUESTS

5.1 <u>Mayor Moses</u> – Report on meetings attended.

Mayor Moses held numerous meetings and tele-conferences with TxDOT working on a resolution to the sound wall concerns. He will have an onsite meeting with TxDOT representatives on Tuesday, May 12.

6.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS & PUBLIC COMMENTS

6.1 Citizen Comments:

<u>Ronald Moore – 401 Oakdale:</u> Addressed his concern regarding ditch drainage along Westview.

<u>Margaret Moore – 401 Oakdale</u>: Inquired about property tax break for seniors and ditch mowing schedules. She also commended our police department for doing a great job of monitoring the city.

<u>Charlotte Wells – 3342 Miramar</u>: Requested for closer watch for speeders on Miramar.

<u>Alicia McCarty – 506 Baywood</u>: Commented that Public Works did not give advance notice when they came out to replace her water meter. She would like an explanation on the fluctuation of water usage on her account and waiting for a return call or email from the Mayor. Also, suggested that the city create an official City of Shoreacres Facebook page.

<u>Felicia Ramos – 3416 Sunrise</u>: Commented that she has been in contact with TxDOT and Harris County regarding the drainage issues in the Bayou Forest subdivision and is awaiting answers from these agencies. She also brought up problem of snakes from the overgrown lot next to her.

<u>Kim Sanford – 211 Shore Acres Blvd.</u>: Commented that she has a Facebook page. Also, there are several Facebook web pages that are owned by current and upcoming council members that are bashing the city, the mayor and Mr. Stall, which is causing chaos in the city. She also submitted an open record request on Ms. Schnell and the information that she received is very alarming and believes that it is sufficient evidence for the removal of Ms. Schnell from council.

<u>Darlene Bays – 616 Baywood</u>: Commented that she is the next door neighbor of Ms. Schnell and that Nancy is dedicated and she does not feel threaten by her. Ms. Bays is appalled by some of the comments about Nancy tonight.

<u>Dolly Arons – 1118 N. Country Club</u>: Commented that she's very disappointed that Item 8.2 was put on the agenda tonight by a council member - council did not act on the open record request, therefore, it is not council business. In addition, Ms. Arons read a report from the La Porte Police Department about Ms. Schnell. The information was released through an open record request. She also made other statements, which questioned the competency of Ms. Schnell as a council member.

<u>David Jennings - 1017 W. Forest</u>: Commented that he does run a few websites and he will criticize a council member when he disagrees with them politically. He does not approve of the bashing that's going on tonight and has never attacked anyone personally on his websites.

Michael Schnell – 618 Baywood: Commented that he is a resident of Shoreacres for fifty one years and he does not approve of the bashing that's going on tonight.

<u>Terri Jennings – 1017 W. Forest</u>: Commented that she's thankful that her husband was elected. During the campaigning period, many of Mr. Jennings political signs were stolen, and that they had to use an attorney to be able to put campaign signs up.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 7.1 <u>City Administrator Report</u>: Mr. Stall reported on that Republic Waste will return on Thursday for heavy pick-up. Received a certified estimate from the Harris County Appraisal office indicating that the city's taxable property value is at \$115,249,538, the highest in the city's history.
- 7.2 <u>Monthly Police Department Report:</u> Chief Harrison reported all officers are current on First Aid and AED training. We've added two Master Peace Officers and an Advance Instructor. Thanked Mayor Moses for the recognition of National Police Week. He also Thank council members, Mr. Stall, and the citizens for their continued support.
- 7.3 <u>Monthly Public Works Department Report</u>: Mr. Stall reported: Public Works crews repaired seven water leaks and seven main line breaks. Our crews will continue with painting fire hydrants as weather permits. Mr. Arriaga has been trained to operate the slope mower and we will maintain our ditch mowing schedules as weather permits.

8.0 BUSINESS

- 8.1 <u>Consideration and approval of invoices.</u>
 - Richard Adams moved to pay the invoices; Seconded by Mike Wheeler. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8.2 <u>Discussion of the city's actions in response to an open record request made by Kim Sanford on April 23, 2015.</u>

Ms. Schnell provided a recount of personal events which lead to the events that occurred on October 2 and asked for understanding from everyone.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

With no further business pending on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Moses at 7:46 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 26th DAY OF MAY, 2015.

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, CFM, TEM

City Administrator / City Secretary

Rick Moses, Mayor