

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF JANUARY 13, 2004
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The special meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Mark McGrath at Meadows Place City Hall, One Troyan Drive, Meadows Place, Texas, with notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject thereof having been posted as prescribed by Article 6252-17, V.T.A.C.S. with the following members present and in attendance:

Mayor: Mark McGrath

Aldermen: Terry Henley
Charles Jessup
Joe McCann
David Piwonka
Leen Zellers

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were Parks Co-Director Monya Keenen and Chris Hyman with Techline Sports Lighting.

Mayor McGrath read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TECHLINE SPORTS LIGHTING, TO PROVIDE AND INSTALL LIGHTS TO THE MAJORS BASEBALL FIELD AT MEADOWS PLACE COMMUNITY PARK.

He then introduced Chris Hyman who explained the procedure followed when using the Buy Board for city purchases of goods and or services. Mr. Hyman said about three years ago he became an approved bidder under the category "playground equipment" with the Buy Board. If we choose to use his company for the purchase and installation of our baseball lights, our cost will be the same as bid three years ago. He explained the difference between the full installation cost of \$48,885.12 which includes total costs for all parts and labor, basically a turnkey operation from preparation of the site to turning on the lights. The partial installation cost of \$29,254.40 would not include the switch gear, wiring from the pole, trenching or the junction box. Both costs are for four poles. Councilmember Henley said that a GE study of the project indicated that three poles would be adequate. Mr. Hyman said that four poles have proven better for outfields. The expected life of each fixture is 3,000 hours suggesting an eight to ten year program for relamping. The expected live for each ballast is 120,000 hours suggesting replacement in twenty to thirty years. Once we put in our order there would be a four to six week wait for delivery. Galvanized steel poles would be used in an eight foot core with a three foot diameter. Councilmember Henley said it sounded like a good design and system.

Council discussed the pros and cons of purchasing an extended warranty at \$100.00 per fixture. For four poles, five lights per pole, a ten year warranty will cost \$2,000.00 and will cover both labor and material for a one-time group replacement of all lamps when 10% of the lamps are no longer burning or after 10 years, whichever comes first. Council's consensus was that purchasing the extended warranty was a good idea. Mayor McGrath called for a motion on the proposed ordinance. Councilmember Zellers made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2004-01**, authorizing the Mayor and the City Secretary to enter into the agreement with Techline Sports Lighting to provide and install lights, including the purchase of the ten year extended warranty, to the Majors Baseball field at Meadows Place Community Park as discussed. Councilmember Jessup seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Zellers made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jessup to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary