

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING  
OF MARCH 27, 2007  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 5:35 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 Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle David Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were Chris Sweedland of McCall Gibson Company and Dan McGraw, Public Works Director.

Mr. Sweedland talked to council about the audit for 2005-2006. He said that finances looked good. The city's net financial values went down some, a condition that was caused by several large capital expenses including building a new fire station, vehicle purchases, water and sewer plant improvements and park improvements. Currently the city has a six month reserve. Ideally a nine month reserved should be held. The city has held a 12 month reserve in the past.

The public utility department has gone over budget due mainly to many water and sewer breaks last summer. ECO's contract will expire this September. Perhaps a better way to manage the numbers such as a set rate per month can be negotiated. We may also look into asking Fort Bend WC&ID what they would charge to run our utility plants. Even if we can effectively control costs, we will probably need to look into raising water and sewer rates again.

Other items including additional administrative help, water well repairs and street and sidewalk repairs were discussed.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jessup to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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Elaine Herff, City Secretary