

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF JUNE 26, 2007  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:34 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:	Charles Kulhanek Charles Jessup David Wilkens

and the following absent:

Aldermen:	Terry Henley Rick Staigle
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thus constituting a quorum.

Captain Jack Ashton gave a report on police activities since the last regular council meeting which was May 22, 2007. He said there were five reportable accidents, 10 arrests, 1,975 calls for service, no city ordinance violation citations and 670 traffic citations issued. No city ordinance violation warnings and 48 traffic warnings were issued during this time frame. There were no burglaries of habitations reported but one storage shed had been broken into with a lawn mower stolen. There were no business burglaries reported. A complaint was received, one month after the fact, of a window that had been shot at with a BB gun. Another complaint of eggs and potatoes thrown into a neighbor's back yard was received. Marijuana and Xanax were received in a vehicle during a traffic stop. Some beer and wine was stolen from the Shell service station on 59 and W. Airport. Mail was stolen from a resident's mail box that had the flag raised. Three vehicles were reported being broken into. Police conducted 478 business watches, 908 house watches and 173 close patrols during this time period. Police will perform traffic control for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade. Crime Watch meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month. National Night Out will be held on August 7<sup>th</sup>, the first Tuesday in August. The new ticket writers are undergoing beta testing today. An email was received about city employees not observing the stop signs. Any city employees ignoring traffic laws will be issued traffic citations.

During audience comments, Jim Donoghue, a Brook Meadows resident, said that a man delivering free newspapers threatened to cut his throat when he was requested not to leave them at Mr. Donoghue's residence. Mr. Donoghue also expressed concern over standing water after heavy rains believing the sewer lines are collapsed in the area. Mayor McGrath said he would check the city ordinances on the first issue and would follow up on the standing water with the Public Works Department.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor McGrath said that city employees are busy preparing for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and he reminded everyone to attend the "Meet & Greet" being held on Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. to introduce our new Police Chief, Mike Baker, to the community.

During Council comments Councilmember Jessup said that during a workshop held earlier this evening, Council cumulated about one year's effort regarding the promotion of our city. The new brochure captures the essence of our city and he encouraged residents to come by City Hall to look at it. Mayor McGrath noted this is an on-going campaign which is being funded by the EDC with the ¼ cent sales tax they receive.

Councilmember Wilkens then made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek, to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2007, workshop and regular meetings and the May 24, 2007 workshop and regular meetings as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Expenses totaling \$44,986.52 to Bureau Veritas (Graham Marcus, Inc., Coastal Pump Service, Encore Communications, McCall, Gibson & Company, PLLC, and Motorola Credit Corporation) were presented to Council for ratification. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to ratify the expenditures. Councilmember Jessup seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

During audience comments, Mr. Donoghue said he noticed that a man with a GIS mapping company was in the city taking pictures. Councilmember Jessup said that the Park's Department, with the help of resident Sharon Kitchen was converting the south end of the Community Center into a "Wall of Heros" hall. Any resident currently serving in the military is invited to submit a picture for a plaque to be hung there.

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 8:09 p.m.

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Elaine Herff, City Secretary