

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF APRIL 28, 2009
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Mayor Charles Jessup, 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 Section 551.041, TGC with the following members present and in attendance:

Mayor: Charles Jessup

Aldermen: Heidi Case
Terry Henley
Charles Kulhanek
Rick Staigle

and the following absent

Dave Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

The pledge to the flag was recited and Jimmy Fenwick led the invocation.

Captain Jack Ashton reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were 1813 total calls for service. No city ordinance citations but nine city ordinance warnings were issued. There were 557 traffic citations and 107 traffic warnings issued. There was a total of 2781 incidents. Captain Ashton noted there were ten incidents of burglaries of motor vehicles – most of which took place at night. There was one burglary of a residence and five burglaries of buildings (some garages). Traffic accidents are down. There were 1,346 property/business security checks made. Officers are being trained on the new ticket writers. The new writers are easier to handle and have a bigger screen with better resolution.

Parks Co-Director Monya Keenen gave an update on Parks activities since the January regular Council Meeting. She said last Thursday the Fort Bend Mayor Council Association was hosted at the Community Center. A slide show presentation on future traffic patterns in Meadows Place was presented. The pool area is being painted and spruced up for the upcoming season. Life guard training is completed. Brick pillars have been added to the open, outdoor classroom. Twenty-three new, colorful signs will soon be installed throughout the park. The first Barefoot n' Friday will be held on May 15th from 8:30 - 11:00 p.m. at a cost of \$5.00 per person. A DJ will be present and concessions will be offered. Two police officers will be on duty during the event. An Animal Wellness Clinic will be held on Saturday, May 30th from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Splash Night is scheduled for June 12th and summer activities will begin on June 15th. The annual parade will be held on Saturday, July 4th. Grant #4 has been applied for. Winners will be announced in August. The pool will be opened the last two weekends in May.

There were no audience comments at this time.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: The Fire Department reported 18 total calls for the month of March. These included 11 EMS calls along with alarm calls and "good will" calls. 2. The city has officially accepted Code Enforcement Tracey Spiller's resignation and has hired Kathi Sutton as her replacement. Kathi will work with Tracey during the month of May. 3. There is no direct correlation to rumors that garage sales cause more crime in our city. 4. A new phone system has been purchased for our Emergency Communication System as part of our After Action Review recommendations.

Councilmember Henley made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 24, 2009 workshop and regular meetings as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek and unanimously approved.

Council discussed holding a Town Meeting simultaneously with Splash Night on June 12th. A presentation on the city's infrastructure and roadways will be shown to residents. A public hearing on the matter will also be called at council's next meeting.

Council then reviewed the City's Investment Policy. Councilmember Henley made a motion to accept the report as being in compliance with our investment strategy policy and the Public Funds Investment Act. Councilmember Kulhanek seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

A bill for \$11,960.85 to Sun Source Design was presented to Council for payment. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case, to approve the bill for payment. The motion carried unanimously.

Payments to Bureau Veritas for \$11,012.20; to Division III + Constructors, Inc. for \$5,025.00 and to Sun Source Design for \$11,640.20 were presented to Council for ratification. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley, to ratify the payments. The motion carried unanimously.

During audience comments, everyone sang Happy Birthday to Parks Co-Director Monya Keenen.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary