## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 26, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:30 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 Dave Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

The pledge to the flag was led by Councilmember Case and Councilmember Wilkens gave the invocation.

Meadows Place Municipal Court Judge Bret Kisluk then swore in Councilmember Terry Henley to his Position 4 seat and Councilmember Rick Staigle to his Position 5 seat on Council.

Captain Jack Ashton reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were 2346 total calls for service. No city ordinances citations but five city ordinance warnings were issued. There were 759 traffic citations and 155 traffic warnings issued. Captain Ashton noted there were two incidents of burglaries of motor vehicles, two residential burglaries, five traffic accidents, 208 business checks, 328 house watches and 639 property checks made during this time. A new RAD Kids program will be starting in July.

Tracey Spiller, Code Enforcement Officer, gave her last official presentation as Code Enforcement Officer. She thanked Council for their support for the last six years. She is retiring to become a full time mom. She introduced Kathi Sutton as her replacement. Kathi has been working with Tracey for the past month. Together they issued 171 warning citations for code violations. Kathi said she was very happy to be working for Meadows Place. Mayor Jessup officially welcomed her to the city. He noted that Tracey's exit strategy was to find quality candidates for her position. Mayor Jessup officially recognized Tracey's hard work. He said "She has made a difference."

There were no audience comments at this time.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: The majority of fire calls in the city occurred between 7:00 am and 6:00 pm. 2. On June 12<sup>th</sup>, Splash Night, a Town Meeting will be held to inform residents about future items to be undertaken by the city. 3. The city now has CERT trained individuals which include Councilmember Case, Public Works Director Dan McGraw, Public Works employee Joseph French as well as himself. 4. Preliminary figures show that we will have about 1.3% less in revenues to work with.

Garden Club members then awarded their annual scholarship to Claudia Giertz for \$1,000.00. Claudia graduates from Dulles High School in June and plans to attend Texas State University with a dual major in Math and Communications.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

## AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE ELECTION OF A MAYOR PRO TEMPORE OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO SERVE IN SUCH OFFICE UNTIL THE NEXT REGULAR CITY ELECTION.

Mayor Jessup recommended that Council again elect Terry Henley to the position. Councilmember Henley has held this position for approximately the last 15 years. He also represents the H-GAC at the North American Regional Councils meeting, is on the TML Board of Directors as well as the TML IEBP Board of Directors for 2008-2009. Councilmember Wilkens made a motion to adopt the ordinance, **No. 2009-08**, electing Councilmember Henley to the position of Mayor Pro Tempore. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Case and unanimously approved.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MEADOWS PLACE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO USE UNMARKED VEHICLES IN ORDER TO FACILITATE POLICE ADMINISTRATIVE, INVESTIGATIVE AND OTHER OFFICIAL DUTIES OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-04**, as presented. Councilmember Henley seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS TO PROHIBIT THE PARKING OF A VEHICLE ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF DORRANCE LANE FROM AMBLEWOOD DRIVE TO A POINT LOCATED 300 FEET WEST, AND THE SOUTH SIDE OF DORRANCE LANE BETWEEN AMBLEWOOD DRIVE TO PENDER LANE LOCATED IN MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS AND ESTABLISHING AN OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR REPEALING, SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE CAPTION HEREOF.

Councilmember Staigle made a motion to adopt this ordinance, numbered **2009-09**, as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek and carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS TO PROHIBIT THE PARKING OF A VEHICLE ALONG THE EAST AND WEST SIDES OF AMBLEWOOD DRIVE BETWEEN DORRANCE LANE AND BRIGHTON LANE LOCATED IN MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS AND ESTABLISHING AN OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR REPEALING, SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; FOR AN EFFECTIVE THIS PROVIDING DATE OF ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE CAPTION HEREOF.

Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adopt this ordinance, numbered **2009-10** as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

## AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE TO AMEND AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE AND THE COUNTY OF FORT BEND FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES.

This ordinance would extend our current contract for tax collection with the county for one more year. Councilmember Henley made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-11**, as presented. Councilmember Kulhanek seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to ratify the expenditure to Millenium Consultants, Inc for \$21,704.73 as presented on the agenda. This was to clean and televise various sewer lines in the city. Councilmember Henley seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

During audience comments, resident Kermit McCarver asked the city let residents know their lawn and tree clippings should not be put out for garbage collection in advance of regular trash pickup day. Lawn service days should be coordinated with trash pick up days to make our city look better. Mayor Jessup said he would mention this in our next newsletter.

A gentleman who lives near Meadows Place asked for a copy of every law in the City of Meadows Place. He was told to come to City Hall during business hours.

Shad Shreve welcomed our new Code Enforcement Officer, noting that compliance is the key to a beautiful city. He asked if we were going to have a heavy trash pick-up weekend and was told that heavy trash can be left out for pick-up on any Friday.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary