

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING
OCTOBER 25, 2011
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:02 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
Shirley Isbell
John Whiteman
Dave Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Council briefly discussed tonight's regular meeting agenda items. They discussed the Credit Card Resolution proposed to be adopted tonight. It was explained that, while the ordinance calls for a \$5.00 charge to be added to any credit card transaction made with the City, currently credit cards are only accepted for Municipal Court payments. Extensive work would have to be done before accepting credit cards for any other City fee/payment and there is no move right now for that to happen. They also discussed changing the regular November and December meeting dates due to the holidays. While the November date of November 22nd was not a problem for anyone with the Thanksgiving holiday, Council's consensus was to change the December meeting date from December 27th to December 20th due to the Christmas holiday.

Car tarps were then discussed. Car tarps, six years ago, were a small problem. They are now growing in number. Some, custom made, do not seem offensive. Others are visibly offensive. All have a tendency to blow off in a strong wind. Council felt they should all be treated the same and they leaned to not allowing them at all due to a potential loss in property values, but their consensus was to hold a public hearing on the matter and see how residents feel about the matter. A public hearing will be called at the November Regular Council meeting.

Discussing the Retail Coach, Councilmember Henley said all EDC members were in agreement, once favorable results were announced as to the references provided by the Retail Coach, to sign the contract. A special meeting will be called for Monday night at 6:00 p.m. to sign the contract.

Mayor Jessup noted that permits have been updated and will soon be available for contractors to download from the City's website. All contractors will still have to come into City Hall to submit their plans, pay for and receive their permits.

Mayor Jessup said the City has been looking into using ADP as our payroll service company. There was some discussion as to why certain types of time clocks available and the type desired by department heads. The big issue is cost which we hope to work out.

The Mayor said that a Realtor Tour will be held on November 17th. It will begin at 9:00 a.m. with a breakfast buffet at Kelley's. A trolley will pick the realtors up and take them on a tour through the City, ending at the park/lake. At that time one of the realtor's cards will be pulled to win a \$200 gift card from Tradicao's. Each realtor will be given a Christmas Memories flyer and the

trolley will return them to Kelley's to pick up their vehicles. Post cards inviting the realtors will be mailed and the tour will be limited to the first 24 who respond

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley, to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary