

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
APRIL 22, 2014**

Present were Mayor Charles D. Jessup, IV, Mayor Pro Tempore Terry J. Henley, and Aldermen John F. Isbell, Kelle K. Mills, and David A. Wilkens. Also present was City Secretary Janice M. Moore. Absent was Alderman Terry W. Morgan.

1. Call to Order:

Mayor Jessup called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Public Works Director Dan McGraw, and the Invocation was led by Alderman Dave Wilkens. Mayor Jessup spoke about Alderman Morgan's absent due to medical reasons.

2. Presentations:

- a. Proclamation - National Safety Digging Month – Mayor Jessup Presented
- b. Proclamation - National Water Safety Month – Mayor Jessup Presented

3. Reports:

a. West Airport Blvd. Reconstruction Project

Public Works Director Dan McGraw reported the following:

- Attended meeting at TxDOT with Contractor Aranda Brothers
- Construction start date was May 10th, but now pushed towards end of the month.
- 213 days for completion of project.
- Signage installed in 3-4 weeks.
- PW Director McGraw is the liaison between city, customers and TxDOT project manager.
- Visiting businesses along W. Airport dealing with concerns and giving support.
- East bound is first - 120 days to complete. Safety inspections –
 - 2 Barricade/month by TxDOT
 - Sign Inspections every 3/month
 - SWPPP – inspect every 7 days/1” rain (City will also keep on top on the BMP)

- Updates on the project on a monthly basis and as needed at council meetings, newsletter, marquee & Code Red if needed.
- Fast tracking through the intersection. Fast tracking was not considered in design. Maybe the first change order.
- Irrigation on West Airport – Contractor is charged with the repairs from damage caused, but the entire system will be damaged during construction. Why should contractor be charged with rebuilding entire system? Edwin and I will meet this week to discuss.

Alderman Isbell inquired about fast tracking and if it would affect the City. Public Works Director McGraw responded in the negative.

b. Police Department

Chief Gary Stewart provided an overview of the monthly statistics and activities, which was distributed to the Council and filed with City records. Mayor Jessup commended the patrol officers as well as the criminal investigation unit.

c. Parks & Recreation

Director Monya Keenen reported on the following items:

Jogging Trail

- Added a 4-6 inch layer of decomposed granite on the entire jogging trails and addressed some problem drainage areas.

Pool Grounds and Activities

- Phase one of the pool fencing has been completed.
- Drainage issues around the pool grounds were being addressed and the benches at the pool were being re-built.
- Swim Team practices start first week in May.
- Pool open to the general public weekends starting May 17th through Labor Day, September 1st
- Wristbands available for sale at the pool during the posted hours for \$5.00. One band required for each family member. Residents MUST show proof of residence either driver's license, or water bill.
- Barefoot "N" Fridays - 3rd Friday in the months of May, June, July and August.
- World's Largest Swim Lesson, Friday, June 20th.
- Lifeguard staff will be going through training this weekend starting Friday evening, and Saturday and Sunday all day. Let's hope the water warms up a bit for them.

Tennis Access Cards

- Current Tennis Court access cards will be deactivated at the end of May. Only residents may purchase new Tennis Court access cards beginning in May at City Hall, Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and must show proof of residency. \$50 per card, maximum, 2 cards per family.

Lake Grounds

- Addressing drainage problems on the east side of the large hill. New inlet has helped.
- Roof being built over the pump station equipment.
- Parks have been well attended, especially in the evenings.

Music Memories

- Live Music at the cul-de-sac on Memory Lane Friday, April 25th 7:00 p.m. -9:30 p.m.
- Concession available from Meadows Place Pony Baseball.
- Members from the Home & Garden Club will be on hand selling the Spring Home and Garden Tour tickets for Saturday, April 26th 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Mobil Animal Wellness Center

- Community Center parking lot Saturday, May 3rd, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Clinic scheduled 2 times a year, 1st Saturday in May and 1st Saturday in November.

Kids Market

- McGrath Park, Saturday, May 10th, 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. The Market is a great place for kids to find the perfect Mother's Day gift.

Meadows Place Night with the Sugarland Skeeter

- Saturday, May 10th. Tickets are \$13.00 purchased tickets can be picked up at City Hall two (2) weeks prior to game.

Splash Night - Friday, June 6th from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Summer Activities

- Monday Movies start June 9th.
- Wednesday Bingo starts June 11th.
- Check newsletter and or website for scheduled times

July 4th Parade

- Friday, July 4th at 10:00 a.m. Sugar Grove Church of Christ has agreed to allow us to assemble our parade line up in their parking lot. Texas Direct Auto has been a great help with supplying the vehicles we have needed these past couple of years.

Kid Fish Derby - Saturday, August 23rd @ 7:00am

d. Fire Department Response Statistics – March 2014

Mayor Jessup presented the report, which was filed with City records.

4. **Mayor's Comments:**

a. **Garden Club Tour**

Saturday, April 26th from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. \$10.00 per person. Tour seven (7) locations. "Don't move. Improve."

b. **Community Garden Update**

Mayor Jessup reported that Former Alderman Heidi Case recruited residents to attend a recent meeting. He also reported an upcoming meeting set for questions and more information with a representative from the City of Southside. Please contact him if you are interested in being involved.

c. **Texas Direct Auto Update**

Mayor Jessup announced that TDA had presented a new shopping center design. He spoke about one future tenant - "Get Air Trampoline Park" for kids, teenagers and corporate events. Mayor Jessup encouraged residents to check out the newly renovated dog park.

5. **New Business:**

- a. Acceptance of the CenterPoint Energy Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program (GRIP) – No Increase

Motion: Alderman Henley moved to **accept** the GRIP as presented. Alderman Isbell seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

- b. Acceptance of the Quarterly Investment Report Ending March 2014

Motion: Alderman Wilkens moved to **accept** the quarterly investment report. Alderman Mills seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

6. **Ordinances:**

a. Ordinance 2014-07:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, REPEALING SUBSECTION 150.02(I) OF SECTION 150.02 OF CHAPTER 150 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES AND SUBSTITUTING A NEW SUBSECTION 150.02(I) OF SECTION 150.02 OF CHAPTER 150 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; ADOPTING WITH AMENDMENTS THE 2009 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Jessup read the title and noted the effective date as July 1, 2014.

Motion: Alderman Isbell moved to **adopt Ordinance 2014-07**. Alderman Henley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

7. Resolutions:

a. Resolution 2014-06:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, APPOINTING ONE (1) ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.

Mayor Jessup read the title.

Motion: Alderman Isbell moved to **approve** Resolution 2014-06 for the appointment of Sean Ulrey as alternate member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Alderman Henley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mayor Jessup noted that the City was still taking applications for the Planning and Zoning Commission.

8. Consent Agenda:

a. Minutes:

March 25, 2014	Regular
March 25, 2014	Workshop

b. Presentation of Invoices:

Concrete Raising Corporation	\$ 10,206.96
Motorola Solutions, Inc. Corp	\$ 19,533.10
Randle Law Office	\$ 6,577.88

Motion: Alderman Wilkens moved to **approve** the Consent Agenda as presented. Alderman Mills seconded the motion, which passed unanimously

9. Audience Comments:

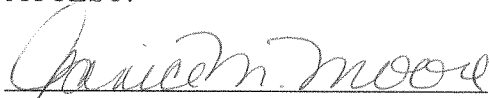
Resident Mike Schofield thanked Code Enforcement Officer Jerry Parker and the City Council for addressing the issues at the vacant house next to his residence. He suggested holding owners who are turning over houses to a higher standard. Mayor Jessup noted that they have to pass inspection with a certificate of occupancy.

10. Adjournment:

Alderman Wilkens moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Alderman Henley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

These minutes were approved by the
City Council on Tuesday, May 27, 2014.

ATTEST:



Janice M. Moore, City Secretary



Charles D. Jessup, IV, Mayor

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