

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING  
OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2008  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Mayor Charles Jessup 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 Section 551.041, TGC. with the following members present and in attendance:

Mayor:	Charles Jessup
Aldermen:	Heidi Case Terry Henley Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle David Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Mayor Jessup gave a state of the city review following Hurricane Ike. He said communications were a major problem between the Mayor and the Police Department, Public Work, Fire Department, City Staff and residents.. The Code Red system worked fairly well. Some residents thought it worked great and some thought it worked terribly. An analysis of the system showed that the first time it was used – on Friday – about 50% of those registered received the notice. Subsequent calls showed 63-64% of the residents received the calls. The city actively used the marquis at the Community Center as well as brightly colored posters hung in various strategic areas of the city. Notices were sent to the media but the media wasn't really interested in Meadows Place, although it was noted that the safe drinking water notice and the curfew notice were seen on some network's scrolling news.

As of this evening, every resident in the city should have electrical power. If there are homes in the city that do not have power, they should call CenterPoint at (713) 207-2222.

WCA is picking up all household trash and, to date, there have been no major problems.

Storm drains have been clogged with debris, cleaned out, and are clogging up again due to the heavy accumulation of leaves, twigs, etc. in the city.

City Hall opened at 8:00 a.m. on Monday and has been operating with regular hours since that time. The Police Department is also back to normal schedules with some off duty officers helping out in Stafford at their POD.

Court and Parks Departments are operating as normal.

CERT classes have been cancelled for the time being but should be rescheduled soon.

Salt water mosquitoes got blown into the county and they are actively swarming. It is hoped a "fly over" for mosquito control by air can be scheduled soon.

Discussing a time for a de-briefing between all departments, it was council's consensus to hold this meeting on Tuesday evening, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. All involved are asked to prepare a report and send it to the Mayor before the meeting. Each department should have at least one representative present that is authorized to speak for that department.

Mayor Jessup and Council all agreed that Public Works Director Dan McGraw and his crew have done a fabulous job cleaning up the city after Ike..

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

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Elaine Herff, City Secretary