

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF JANUARY 22, 2013
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:34 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: Terry Henley
Terry Morgan
John Isbell
John Whiteman

thus constituting a quorum

Absent: Alderman Dave Wilkens

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by resident Cody Kitchen, Terry Henley led the Texas Pledge and John Isbell gave the invocation.

Captain Jack Ashton provided the Meadows Place Police Department update. There were 4 accidents reported, 4 arrests and 2442 service calls. There were 39 reports and 239 traffic violations. Residential burglaries were down from 1 to 0 and commercial burglaries were down from 3 to 0. There were approximately 25 attendees at the last Neighborhood Watch meeting held at the new Tactical Training Center. The next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be held, Wednesday February 20, at 7 pm, topic will be holiday safety. Captain Ashton stated that he is proud of the Neighborhood Watch meeting's attendance. Meadows Place Police Department will continue its TLC program to help in car burglaries. There have been 356 random checks of vehicles and 255 passed whereas 101 failed. Captain Ashton reminded citizens to please remember to keep wallet, purses, and computers or packages out of plain sight in their vehicles.

Monya Keenan, Parks and Recreation Director, provided the Parks and Recreation update. Congressman Pete Olson presented City of Meadows Place with a Texas flag that once flew over the Nation's Capitol. A Naval Petty Officer and resident of Meadows Place also attended the dedication at City hall with his family. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Grant Phase IV, first reimbursement request in the amount of \$74,000.00 was submitted. Permanent aluminum signage is required by the state. The City is current on grant reports

to the state for this grant project. The City of Meadows Place won the Innovations in Parks and Facility Development Award from the Texas Recreational and Parks Society (TRAPS) Region IV. The 2012 Christmas Memories was a success where the Meadows Elementary School Choir sang. Local groups such as Swim Team and Baseball reported they sold out of all their concessions. Ms. Keenan thanked the Meadows Place Police Department and Public Works staff for helping with extra security and set up. Public Works also helped former Lifeguard staff with Snow Mountains and Hay Rides along with clean up. City of Meadows Place entered into a Landscaping License Agreement with Center Point Energy on December 12, 2012. The areas are the right-of-way that run along the ditch from West Airport to Dorrance and Dorrance to Monticeto to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Public Works partnered with Parks and Recreation to create a beautiful springtime meadow by spreading wildflowers seeds along the property. Actual pictures taken at the lake can now be seen in the banners on the light poles along the lake. There are plans to have a Concert at the Lake on Friday April 12th from 7 PM to 9:30 PM. Anyone interested in hearing them prior to the event, the band will be also performing on February 16th at 8 pm at the Swinging Door. Tracey Spiller, Aquatics Director is recruiting summer staff now and will be training during the first week of May. Ms. Spiller received her Certified Pool Operators License in November of 2012 and is now certified to train Lifeguard staff. The City of Meadows Place will have its City logo on the Texas Recreation and Parks Society (TRAPS) 75th Anniversary Quilt. Recruitment for the replacement for the Parks Grounds Keeper is currently underway. In the meantime, Public Works staff has been giving Parks and Recreation a helping hand.

Mayor Jessup then gave the City's Fire Department report. He noted the report included 19 EMS calls, eight Fire/Carbon Monoxide alarms, and seventeen other fire related incidents with a total of 45 calls made to Meadows Place in November.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted: 1) Introduced our new Building Official, Randy Mason where Randy and asked that he come up to say a few words. Mr. Mason said he has worked with our former building official and in Meadows Place for the past 5 to 6 years. Mr. Mason is currently with Bureau Veritas and specializes in commercial inspections and enforcement. Mayor Jessup asked; what is Mr. Mason's impression of a residential inspection in Meadows Place? Mr. Mason stated that he has not had an opportunity to perform a residential inspection and mainly been enforcing local business. Mr. Mason stated it will mainly be Water Heaters and Air Conditioning change out. Mayor Jessup stated he is delighted to have Mr. Mason and is confident that he will do a great job. 2) First round of Health Inspections have been completed by a company that the City hired called International Food Service International. 3) Mayor Jessup stated that interviews were conducted to select a new code enforcement officer, a background check was done and an offer made to the finalist.

A motion was made to table the December 18, 2012 workshop and regular minutes for further council review

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE CALLING AN ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, THE 11TH DAY OF MAY, 2013, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CITY OFFICIALS, PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION
DE MEDIDAS SOBRE LA ORDENANZA DE CONVOCAR ELECCIONES PARA LA CIUDAD DE MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, QUE SE CELEBRARA EL SÁBADO, EL SÁBADO, EL 11 DÍA 2013, CON EL PROPÓSITO DE ELEGIR A LOS FUNCIONARIOS DE LA CIUDAD, PROVEÍDO POR VOTACIÓN ANTICIPADAY NOTIFICACIÓN DE ELECCIÓN.

A motion was made by Councilman John Isbell then seconded by Councilman John Whiteman to adopt the Ordinance, numbered **2013-01**, as written the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the following caption:

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE 4TH QUARTER 2013 INVESTMENT REPORT

A motion was made by John Isbell then seconded by Councilman John Whiteman to approve the Investment Report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Whiteman made a motion to pay a bill to Shertz Bank and Trust for the first annual payment for our new police vehicle. Councilman Morgan seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

During audience comments, resident Shirley Isbell, from the 12000 block of Scottsdale, noted that Councilman Terry Henley noted that state and county brings attention to Meadows Place by serving on boards and traveling not only through the state but all over the country. The Boots and Badges Gala foundation raises money for medical expenses and disaster relief. Donations are accepted online at www.FBGOT.org. "Don't Move, Improve" Garden Club Home Show for the 2013 Meadows Home and Garden Club Spring Tour will be

held Saturday April 27, 2013 from 2 pm to 5 pm. The Garden Club will sell tickets for \$10.00 until the evening of the event.

Mike Schofield from the 12000 block of Meadowdale, stated his concern about drought conditions causing sewer breakage and the toll it's taken on the City's streets. Mr. Schofield asked if there has been any discussion about street repairs or possible bond projects. Mayor Jessup stated the City has begun discussion with an engineering firm for a preliminary overview and to assess preliminary funds. This includes storm drains in residential and commercial areas and sewer lines.

Christie Mendolia from the 11000 block of Radford Lane stated she is a concerned parent and wanted to know about the status of sexual predators and how to check to see what options she has at checking to know if there are any in the immediate area.

Mayor Jessup asked Captain Jack to come up to share a recent sexual predator related story. Captain Jack stated there was a sex offender, recently released, whose father lives in Meadows Place. When the sex offender's father brought his son to city hall to register as it is required by law, he was then informed that sex offenders are not permitted to live in Meadows Place. Sergeant Simmons followed up to ensure that the sex offender is not residing at the home located in the City.

John Rippert 112000 block of Brighton Lane stated everyone participating in the home and garden show event will be helping to provide for a scholarship to a city resident. Applications are available on the City's website.

There being no further business to consider, Councilman Morgan made a motion, seconded by Councilman Whiteman, to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 P.M.

Yolanda M. Wilson, City Secretary