MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF JANUARY 13, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:32 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

and the following absent:

Alderman: Dave Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Council discussed TML and FEMA insurance reimbursement from Hurricane Ike. These items should be completed soon.

Council discussed the proposed Vision Meeting. Mayor Jessup said he has been in contact with Sue Darcy who suggested a Saturday meeting day with 15 to 20 attendees that will last from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. then break for lunch and reconvene from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. It was suggested that, besides council and staff, residents from the city, including high school and college students be invited to attend.

Council then discussed the proposed Parks Grant application #4. Due to the uncertainty of available funding after the close of this Legislative session, it has been decided to apply for the Small Cities Grant #4. Since the application must be submitted by January 30th, it will behoove the City to hire Bob Duke as a consultant to help with the application process.

Council then discussed the West Airport/Kirkwood TxDOT situation. Councilmember Staigle suggested the City consider appointing a Selection Committee that meets with TxDOT requirements so that once we receive our letter letting us know that we will receive the funds promised from the Federal Government, we will be ready to move forward with the project.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF JANUARY 27, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:06 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.

Also present were Parks and Recreation Co-Director Terry Modeland.

Council discussed, with Mrs. Modeland, applying for a Phase IV matching grant with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Included in the application would be salt water conversion of our pool, a fountain, a Hawk House, one or more ponds/wetlands, an outdoor classroom extension, a covered picnic area, a recreational hill and improvements to our pool drains. All of these ideas are subject to change pending discussion with our Grant Writer Coordinator, Bob Duke.

Councilmember Kulhanek gave an update on his After Activity Review committee regarding Hurricane Ike. He suggested many recommendations for Council and Staff to consider. Mayor Jessup said he is meeting with the new CERT coordinator on February 2nd.

Mayor Jessup reported there are still problems with the video recorders from Motorola in the police vehicles. A meeting is scheduled with Motorola officials on Thursday morning concerning the same.

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

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Elaine Herff, City Secretar

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 27, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:34 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:

Heidi Case Terry Henley Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle Dave Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Councilmember Staigle led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilmember Wilkens gave the Invocation.

Police Chief Mike Baker introduced our newest Police Officer, Imelda Rodriguez, to Council. She is taking Officer Youngblood's place. Captain Jack Ashton then reported on Police Activities since the last regular City Council meeting. There were 4 reportable accidents, 16 arrests, 1689 calls for service and 535 traffic citations issued during this time period. Four of the arrests were drug related and four were felony arrests. A suspicious person was picked up and arrested solving at least eight Houston burglaries before they were even reported. Chief Baker will be gone all day tomorrow in Austin attending a Police Chief's meeting.

Parks and Recreation Co-Director Terry Modeland gave an update on Parks Department activities. Mrs. Modeland thanked the Police Department for actively patrolling the Parks, keeping them from being vandalized. She said Parks matching grants 2 and 3 are 90% complete. Interpretive signs still need to be installed. Currently they are dealing with a compliance issue at the pool regarding pool drains. Although they are currently compliant, more work needs to be done before the new swim season starts. Mrs. Modeland noted that both the 25th Anniversary Celebration and Christmas Memories were very successful events.

There were no audience comments at this time.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that parking lot renovations are occurring. The opening between Bloomington Lane and City Hall's parking lot has been made. It will have a remote controlled gate accessible to Police emergency vehicles only. At the same time, the drainage issue that occurs with each heavy rain has, hopefully, been fixed. Mayor Jessup also noted that he would be meeting with the new CERT (Citizen's Emergency Response Team) director this week and he hopes that CERT classes will resume soon.

There were no Council Comments scheduled.

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to accept the minutes of December 16, 2008 workshop and regular meetings and the January 13, 2009 workshop meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Case and unanimously approved.

Mayor Jessup then announced that the Public Hearing to hear comments both for and against a proposal to adopt a resolution authorizing Meadows Place Parks and Recreation Department to apply for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department grant funds through the Small Communities Grant Program was now open.

Parks Co-Director Terry Modeland explained that due to possible cuts in the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's grant funds that could be made by the current Legislature, it was decided to apply for a 4th matching grant this year. The deadline for applications is January 31, 2009. The Parks Department sent out surveys targeting older citizens to see what would appeal to them in the way of parks improvements. They responded that they would like to see a larger outdoor facility, similar to the outdoor classroom we now have, a pavilion structure with picnic tables, a pond and improved lighting in the parks. This year the small communities grant program is offering \$75,000 matching funds. Grant #3 was for \$50,000 and very few city funds were required since the School District's after school program donated playground equipment toward our matching funds. This year Fort Bend County is donating \$49,500 to dig the pond. The new grant looks good in the scoring system. Support has been received from both the Swim Team and Baseball Organization. Sharon Kitchen asked how other communities got their grant funds. Mayor Jessup responded that many hire grant writers. This time Terry Modeland took on the lion's share of the grant writing. Councilmember Henley noted that, even with the promised \$49,500, we are still about \$25,000 short on matching funds. Mrs. Modeland agreed but noted that, while donations are still being solicited, bond funds still exist should we need them. There were no further comments, for or against the resolution, and Councilmember Staigle made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Councilmember Henley seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS (HEREINAFTER CALLED THE APPLICANT), DESIGNATING OFFICIALS AS BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THE APPLICANT IN DEALING WITH TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE (TPW), FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE TEXAS RECREATION AND PARKS ACCOUNT SMALL COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM (HEREINAFTER CALLED THE PROGRAM); CERTIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE; CERTIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT'S MATCHING SHARE IS READILY AVAILABLE; AND DEDICATING THE PROPOSED SITE FOR PERMANENT (OR FOR THE TERM OF THE LEASE FOR LEASED PROPERTY) PUBLIC PARK AND RECREATIONAL USES.

Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-01**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Captain Jack Ashton then presented the Police Racial Profiling Report to Council. He explained that the report is required by the State of Texas. It is in compliance with all of the State mandates regarding race, ethnicity, etc. Councilmember Henley made a motion to accept the Police Racial Profile Report as presented. Councilmember Kulhanek seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then announced that the Public Hearing to review the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance, its effects on the community and on problems the ordinance was intended to remedy, and the need to continue the ordinance and abolish, continue or modify the ordinance was now open. Mayor Jessup noted this has been an advantageous tool used by our Police Department in their dealings with youth under the age of 17 years. It has proven to be a useful ordinance. There were no comments from the audience or from council. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to close the Public Hearing. The motion carried unanimously

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 OPENING OF AN ACCOUNT IN WALLIS STATE BANK AND DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES.

This resolution will allow drug money received from the county to be used for equipment to aid in the prevention of illegal drug usage in our city. Councilmember Wilkens made a motion to adopt the resolution, numbered 2009-02, as presented. Councilmember Case seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING FIVE (5) MEMBERS OF THE MEADOWS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND DIRECTORS OF THE MEADOWS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR A TERM COMMENCING IMMEDIATELY UPON PASSAGE OF THIS ORDINANCE AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER 2010.

Mayor Jessup said his recommendation is that Council reappoint the current EDC Board to each serve a new two year term. He said the current board has budgeted their funds wisely. EDC funds pay the interest and principal due each year on the Well #3 bonds. They have also paid for sound walls, marketing programs, etc. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to adopt the ordinance, number **2009-01**, appointing Terry Henley, Harry Hamilton, Bob Graf, Margaret Sandlin and Travis Tanner as members of the Meadows Economic Development Council for a term ending on the 31st day of December 2010. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Staigle and carried unanimously.

Expenditures of \$5,565.00 to Hydrant.com and \$12,160.00 to Joe Salvide were presented for approval. Councilmember Case moved to approve the expenses. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek and carried unanimously.

During audience comments, resident Sharon Kitchen informed Council that she did a little research on area newsletters and has come to the conclusion that our Newsletter is outstanding in our area.

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 8:37 p.m.

Elaine Herff. City

MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:00 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 Charles Kulhanek **Rick Staigle David Wilkens**

and the following absent:

Terry Henley

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present was Code Enforcement Officer Tracey Spiller.

Council discussed, with Mrs. Spiller, the City's Rental Registration Program, foreclosed and distressed homes in the City, as well as how the current economy affects code enforcement in Meadows Place. Mrs. Spiller also announced that May 29th would be her last day as the City's Code Enforcement Officer as she was resigning to pursue her new career as a "stay at home mom."

Council then discussed the upcoming election, noting that two council positions were up for election – Alderman, Place 4 and Alderman, Place 5. Both incumbents have expressed their interest in running again.

Council discussed unfunded mandates - replacing the chlorine tank at the sewer treatment plant from 2,400 lbs to a smaller 2,000 lbs. and the sulfur tanks from 4,000 lbs. to 2,000 lbs. This should cost approximately \$15,000. Not doing this will require notification of everyone living within 1 mile of the plant, as well as extensive paperwork - at a cost of approximately \$20,000.

Council also discussed the unfunded mandate that requires the city to change the type of drain cover at our city pools. It was estimated that this work would cost approximately \$8,500 but due to volunteer efforts the task has been completed for \$2,000 and the City is now in compliance.

Council also discussed the Dairy Ashford Landscaping contract to be awarded at tonight's meeting, hiring a new Park's Department employee, and who would be in attendance at Saturday's Vision Meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secreta

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:33 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
	Charles Kulhanek
	Rick Staigle
	Dave Wilkens

and the following absent:

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Alderman: Terry Henley

thus constituting a quorum.

Councilmembers and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilmember Wilkens gave the Invocation.

Captain Jack Ashton gave reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were two reportable accidents, seven arrests, 1,154 calls for service, no city ordinance citations but 474 traffic related citations issued, 42 offense reports, ten city ordinance warnings and 123 traffic warnings issued during this time frame. The total, 1,812 is down from normal activities. Captain Ashton reminded everyone that the school carnival would be taking place on Friday, March 27th. He also noted that our Rental Property Registration Program was particularly good. Also, our new officer is doing very well in her training program.

Code Enforcement Officer Tracey Spiller gave an update on Code Enforcement activities since the December regular Council Meeting. She said that our Rental Property Registration Program, which requires property owners of rental property in the city to register their property annually, is going very well. We have a few foreclosed and/or distressed properties in Meadows Place. She recommends that Council adopt a policy requiring that homes be a minimum square foot in size so that properties that are purchased with the intent of being torn down and rebuilt are not so small that they bring other property values in the city down.

There were no audience comments at this time.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that the Fire Department reported 20 total calls for the month of January. These included 14 EMS calls (a majority to Senior Village), three fire/carbon monoxide alarms, two "good intent" and one "other." Most calls for service were received between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Mayor Jessup announced that our city pools have meet federal safety mandates and are now totally in compliance. This Saturday, City Council, Staff, and several residents will meet to discuss a vision of what they hope the city will look like in 15 years. Mayor Jessup said he was surprised to learn that several other cities no longer have "Audience Comments" on their agenda due to the fact that City Councils cannot respond to these comments as their contents are not on the agenda. Mayor Jessup believes it is the citizen's right to address council and will leave audience comments on our agenda. Council cannot respond to these comments but they can listen.

There were no Council Comments scheduled.

Councilmember Wilkens made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 27, 2008 workshop and regular meetings as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Staigle and unanimously approved.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ENACTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 370.002 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS OF FACT AND TO CONTINUE WITHOUT CHANGE THE CURFEW REGULATIONS EXISTING IN THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS AS SET OUT IN CHAPTER 20 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, ENTITLED "MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES," ARTICLE I, SUBSECTION 20-25, ENTITLED "JUVENILE CURFEW."

All curfew ordinances have a sunset clause. A public hearing must be held every three years. Meadows Place held their public hearing on this item on January 27th at which time it was learned that the curfew was proven to be a useful tool to our Police Department. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-02**, as presented. Councilmember Case seconded this motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SEMARCK LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC. FOR IRRIGATION AND LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS TO DAIRY ASHFORD BLVD.

Councilmember Staigle explained that several bids were received for this project. Semarck Landscape Services, Inc. bid \$36,745.00 plus cost of bonds. Semarck was the low bidder by \$25,000. Their references checked out. He made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-03**, authorizing the Mayor and the City Secretary to sign the contract, contingent upon Semarck acquiring the required bonds. Councilmember Kulhanek seconded this motion which 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, TEXAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES BETWEEN MARSH DARCY PARTNERS, INC., AND THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO DEVELOP A "VISION" FOR THE CITY TO GUIDE AND INFORM FUTURE PLANNING AND DECISION MAKING ON THE FULL RANGE OF REGULATORY, MUNICIPAL, GOVERNANCE, HEALTH AND SAFETY, TAXATION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES.

Councilmember Wilkens asked how many firms had been contacted to lead this vision meeting. Mayor Jessup answered three. Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case, to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-04**, as read. The motion carried unanimously.

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 9TH DAY OF MAY, 2009, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CITY OFFICIALS, PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION. *Councilmember Kulhanek moved to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-05**, as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Case and 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, TEXAS TO ENTER INTO A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES.

Councilmember Staigle moved to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-06**, as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wilkens and carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING REGULAR MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, (CITY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION) FOR A TERM BEGINNING IMMEDIATELY UPON PASSAGE OF THIS ORDINANCE, AND ENDING ON THE 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011, PURSUANT TO THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 24 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE.

Mayor Jessup said that the terms of three members of the Zoning Commission have expired and he was recommending all three be reappointed. Councilmember Wilkens made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-07**, appointing Steve Gardner, Theresa Bathe and E.J. Messarra to the City Planning and Zoning Commission for another two year term. His motion was seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek 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 OPENING OF AN ACCOUNT IN WALLIS STATE BANK AND DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES.

This is the same resolution that was adopted at the last council meeting with the exception that this ordinance will not be interest bearing as originally was thought to be necessary. This will allow a lower amount of funds to stay in the account without a penalty being assessed. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-03**, as presented. Councilmember Staigle seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

During audience comments, resident Joe Malik said he noticed the new owners of the Mall have recently given it a new coat of paint.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretar

MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF MARCH 24, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Charles Jessup at Meadows Place Sewer Treatment Plant, 11936 ½ Monticeto Lane, 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.

A tour of the plant was conducted by Public Works Director Dan McGraw. After the tour, council drove to Meadows Place City Hall where they reconvened their workshop meeting. All agreed the tour was valuable and very informative. Council discussed the necessities and future requirements of the Sewer Treatment Plant. Their consensus was that air flow throughout the plants, valves and air leaks are priority one. Mr. McGraw was instructed to look into the cost to clean the tanks.

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 7:25 p.m.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 24, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:34 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:

Heidi Case Terry Henley Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle Dave Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Colors were presented and the pledge to the flag led by members of Boy Scout Troop 731, formerly members of Cub Scout Pack 301.

Councilmember Wilkens led the invocation.

Captain Jack Ashton reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were four reportable accidents, seven arrests, 1,462 calls for service, no city ordinance citations but 451 traffic related citations issued, 38 offense reports, 16 city ordinance warnings and 89 traffic warnings issued during this time frame for a total of 2067 incidents. Captain Ashton noted there were two incidents of burglaries of motor vehicles, one burglary of a residence and one burglary of an unlocked cigarette cabinet at CVS. Most officers would be on duty during the Meadows School Carnival. Our new officer should be fully trained and on the streets within four weeks.

Director of Public Works, Dan McGraw, gave an update on activities since the December regular Council Meeting. He said that the irrigation on the Dairy Ashford project is complete and the landscaping should be installed within the next two weeks. This is a joint project between Meadows Place and Sugar Land. His department is also installing a small brick project along Pender at the Park. Christmas tree recycling was down from last year with only about 100 trees being recycled. They were all chipped. Thirty-five new street signs and posts are being installed. Weather permitting, tree trimming in the medians will be completed within the next three weeks. He is looking for volunteers to help with storm drain stenciling April 18th and 25th.

Boy Scouts from Troop 731 were recognized for their completion of all requirements for the Arrow of Light Award, the highest award that can be achieved in Cub Scouting. They are also considered Super Achievers because they have completed all 20 achievements that a Cub Scout is eligible to complete. The Scouts are: Christopher Kulhanek, Devon Kulhanek, Brandon Staigle, Jason Swinney and Andrew Wittmann. Mayor Jessup congratulated them noting that Meadows Place was proud of them and their accomplishments.

There were no audience comments at this time.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: The Fire Department reported 22 total calls for the month of February. These included 16 EMS calls, two motor vehicle accidents, one hazardous materials call and two "good intent" calls. 2. The city held a Vision Meeting on Saturday, February 28th at the Community Center. Focus was on Meadows Place in the year 2024 and discussion was led by professional planners from Marsh Darcy Partners. 3. Public Works Director Dan McGraw led an interesting tour of the Sewer Treatment Plant earlier in the evening. 4.

March is Mail Box month in Meadows Place. Residents who improve their mail boxes will receive a \$5.00 credit on their water bills.

During Council comments Councilmember Henley gave updates on his work with the H-GAC and TML. Councilmember Staigle reminded everyone about Old Town Meadows being held at the school this Friday from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Councilmember Case noted equipment for Salt water Conversion should be completely installed by April 1st. The cost for the conversion should be completely paid for in three years of savings on current costs.

Councilmember Staigle made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 24, 2008 workshop and regular meetings as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek and unanimously approved.

Council received the Receipt of Certification of Unopposed Candidates from the City Secretary. Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 2.053 OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE DECLARING THE CANDIDATES NAMED HEREIN ELECTED FOR THE OFFICES STATED AS UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES.

This ordinance declared Terry Henley as the winner of Alderman, Place No. 4 and Rick Staigle as winner of Place No. 5 in the General Election that was to be held on May 9, 2009 but was cancelled due to unopposed candidates. Councilmember Kulhanek moved to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-07**, as presented. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Case, carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read a Proclamation naming April 2009 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Meadows Place, Texas. When he was finished reading it, he presented the proclamation to John Thompson and Juanita Wharton with the Fort Bend County Child Welfare Association explaining that he was proud and honored to be able to do this.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION OF ANALYSTS INC. TO THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ) ESTABLISHING THE AREA ENCOMPASSING APPROXIMATELY 0.5-MILE RADIUS FROM 12715 ROYAL DRIVE, STAFFORD, FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS AS A MUNICIPAL SETTING DESIGNATION SITE.

This is another TCEQ required registration that will not affect our drinking water. Councilmember Staigle made a motion to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-03**, as presented. Councilmember Henley seconded this motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Council then discussed Ad Valorem exemptions for the 2009 tax year. Currently they are 13% or \$5,000 (whichever is greater), \$30,000 for those over 65 years or age and/or \$5,000 - \$12,000 for disabled veterans. After a short discussion, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to leave the exemptions as they are now. The motion carried unanimously.

A bill for \$12,198.39 to March Darcy Partners, Inc. was presented to Council for ratification. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case to ratify the expenditure as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

There were no audience comments at this time.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Charles Jessup at Meadows Place Sewer Treatment Plant, 11936 ½ Monticeto Lane, 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:

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	Terry Henley
	Charles Kulhanek
	Rick Staigle
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and the following absent:

David Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were Jimmy Fenwick, Bob Graf, Monya Keenen, Dan McGraw, Kristina Hickle and Sue Darcy and Venita Ray with Marsh Darcy Partners.

The second Vision Workshop followed. Ms. Darcy and Ms. Ray presented workshop participants with a synopsis of information from the first Visioning Workshop held on February 28th. Questions asked centered on community image and visual appeal; municipal government; recreation and entertainment; revitalization and economic development; transportation, mobility and roadways; and utilities and drainage; Likes and dislikes, things that were most important, ways to improve and important issues were discussed. These things were taken into consideration and four possible vision statements were drafted. At this evening's meeting, participants were asked to assess each statement and discuss what they liked and disliked about each. Upon conclusion, Ms. Darcy and Ms. Ray said they would take this information back and prepare a vision statement based on participants' desires.

Council then considered a date to hold a town hall like meeting to inform residents about upcoming events in the city. It was council's consensus to hold the meeting in conjunction with Splash Night, June 12th.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secr

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:33 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

and the following absent

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Dave Wilkens thus constituting a quorum.

The pledge to the flag was recited and Jimmy Fenwick led the invocation.

Captain Jack Ashton reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were 1813 total calls for service. No city ordinances citations but nine city ordinance warnings were issued. There were 557 traffic citations and 107 traffic warnings issued. There was a total of 2781 incidents. Captain Ashton noted there were ten incidents of burglaries of motor vehicles – most of which took place at night. There was one burglary of a residence and five burglaries of buildings (some garages). Traffic accidents are down. There were 1,346 property/business security checks made. Officers are being trained on the new ticket writers. The new writers are easier to handle and have a bigger screen with better resolution.

Parks Co-Director Monya Keenen gave an update on Parks activities since the January regular Council Meeting. She said last Thursday the Fort Bend Mayor Council Association was hosted at the Community Center. A slide show presentation on future traffic patterns in Meadows Place was presented. The pool area is being painted and spruced up for the upcoming season. Life guard training is completed. Brick pillars have been added to the open, outdoor classroom. Twenty-three new, colorful signs will soon be installed throughout the park. The first Barefoot n' Friday will be held on May 15th from 8:30 - 11:00 p.m. at a cost of \$5.00 per person. A DJ will be present and concessions will be offered. Two police officers will be on duty during the event. An Animal Wellness Clinic will be held on Saturday, May 30th from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Splash Night is scheduled for June 12th and summer activities will begin on June 15th. The annual parade will be held on Saturday, July 4th. Grant #4 has been applied for. Winners will be announced in August. The pool will be opened the last two weekends in May.

There were no audience comments at this time.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: The Fire Department reported 18 total calls for the month of March. These included 11 EMS calls along with alarm calls and "good will" calls. 2. The city has officially accepted Code Enforcement Tracey Spiller's resignation and has hired Kathi Sutton as her replacement. Kathi will work with Tracey during the month of May. 3. There is no direct correlation to rumors that garage sales cause more crime in our city. 4. A new phone system has been purchased for our Emergency Communication System as part of our After Action Review recommendations.

Councilmember Henley made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 24, 2009 workshop and regular meetings as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek and unanimously approved.

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Council discussed holding a Town Meeting simultaneously with Splash Night on June 12th. A presentation on the city's infrastructure and roadways will be shown to residents. A public hearing on the matter will also be called at council's next meeting.

Council then reviewed the City's Investment Policy. Councilmember Henley made a motion to accept the report as being in compliance with our investment strategy policy and the Public Funds Investment Act. Councilmember Kulhanek seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

A bill for \$11,960.85 to Sun Source Design was presented to Council for payment. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case, to approve the bill for payment. The motion carried unanimously.

Payments to Bureau Veritas for \$11, 012.20; to Division III + Constructors, Inc. for \$5,025.00 and to Sun Source Design for \$11,640.20 were presented to Council for ratification. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley, to ratify the payments. The motion carried unanimously.

During audience comments, everyone sang Happy Birthday to Parks Co-Director Monya Keenen.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Se

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

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:02 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:

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First item on the agenda was discussion of a new building for the Ft. Bend County Central Appraisal District. Mayor Jessup said he met with Glen Whitehead who said that currently the CAD occupies a leased facility in Richmond. The current lease is running out. They would like to build a new building on 12 acres west of Highway 36 (off of US 59) on Bagmore Lane at a cost of \$6.8 million. CAD costs for Meadows Place would increase by about \$610 per year.

Council then discussed the next steps to be taken with the city's Vision 2024. They plan to show the vision draft statement to the public at the Splash Night/Town Meeting to be held on June 12th.

A short discussion about the After Action Review committee recommendations took place. Not much has changed with this. Hurricane Season is ready to begin. City Employees are preparing for the worse and hoping for the best.

Mayor Jessup said he was welcoming ideas on how best to elect a Mayor Pro Tem. This item is on the agenda for tonight's regular council meeting. He will recommend that Terry Henley, who has served admirably in this office for many years, again be elected to serve until the next City General Election. He is, however, open to ideas for change for the future.

Council then discussed budget dates. The consensus was to hold workshops on June 23rd, July 7th, 21st, 28th, and August 11th.

Council then went over items to be discussed the town meeting to be held in conjunction with Splash Night, June 12th.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secret

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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 ORDINANCE: PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION OF THIS REPEALING, SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PROVIDING 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.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

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thus constituting a quorum.

The pledge to the flag was led by City Secretary Elaine Herff and Councilmember Dave Wilkens gave the invocation.

Captain Jack Ashton reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were six reportable accidents (three were on the US 59 feeder road by Nissan car dealership), eight arrests, 1330 calls for service, 51 offense reports, 269 traffic citations and 89 traffic and nine city ordinance warnings issued. The overall activity is down somewhat from the summer months due to the fact that fewer residents are leaving on vacation since school is back in session. House watches were down from the high 700's to the low 300's. National Night Out will be held on October 6, 2009. Police officers will ride through the neighborhood stopping at any block parties from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The Police Department will be assisting with traffic control this Saturday morning for the Fun Run being held by Sugar Grove Church of Christ. Office Hodge is to be noticed for capturing a career wanted felon when he noticed a vehicle with no registration or inspection driving slowly through the city. Stafford Police were chasing a vehicle on Friday night that lost control, went into a yard and peeled the brick off of the home on the southeast corner of Brook Meadows at Kirkwood. Our Police Department located the vehicle involved in a burglary of the Wells Fargo bank in Randall's store last week. Our Police Department has an excellent relationship with the departments of neighboring cities.

Dan McGraw, Public Works/Public Utilities Director, gave an update on what his Department has been doing since he last addressed Council. He said there were 54 water main breaks since May so a lot of driveways and sidewalks were removed and replaced. Last Saturday, with the aid of Boy Scout Troop 731, storm drains were stenciled with "Don't Dump" signs. This project completes year two of a five year storm sewer report submission. During year three, more training will be received and the department will give talks to the elementary school children. In about six weeks, clean up work will be done at the sewer plant and new diffusers will be installed. This will be a 10 - 15 day project. A grant request has been submitted to 3-M for sign replacement and we'll know in about three weeks if we receive it. Detailed drawings have been submitted to CenterPoint for a request for the City to install berms on their easements which will be approximately 20 feet long by 5 feet wide. A new landscape contract will go into effect on October 5th when Texas Lawn Landscape Services will begin mowing city property and esplanades. A large (78 foot by 12 foot) birdbath has been filled in by the Uretak Company on Brighton Lane. Our new Public Works employee is skilled in plumbing and heating matters and has saved the city considerable money by bringing the Field House restrooms up to ADA code. The Public Works Department this year also completed a jogging trail overlay, the 25th anniversary set up, landscaping at the Community Center, installing the electricity and lighting to the lights along West Airport at McGrath Park, installed additional storm drains in the City Hall parking lot, acted as general contractor for the landscaping along Dairy Ashford for Meadows Place and Sugar Land, and completed trimming along the sound walls.

Fire Chief Larry DiCamillo gave council a general overview of the Fire Department. Under a contractual agreement, Stafford provides fire protection to the City of Meadows Place. Meadows Place has a new fire station, known as Station 3. The Department is known as a "combination department" with 76 personnel, 45 of which are volunteers, 28 are paid part time employees. There is also a full time, paid Fire Chief and Fire Marshall. The department covers 10.2 square miles and makes 2,800 to 3,000 calls per year. In 2005 there were 264 incidents, in 2006 284 incidents, in 2007 298 incidents, in 2009 359 incidents. So far, in 2009 there have been 175 incidents and it is expected this will be a below average year regarding incidents. Generally there are two EMS calls to every one fire call in Meadows Place. The most recent fire call in Meadows Place was a result of a lightening strike. Chief DiCamillo did some interesting research on lightening strikes and encouraged residents to check out the site www.lighteningsafety.com on the internet. Because of Interlocal agreements between the surrounding cities, there is basically one fire department with 13 stations located in Meadows Place, Missouri City, Stafford and Sugar Land. Mayor Jessup asked Chief DiCamillo to let the Stafford Fire Department members know that we appreciate all that they do for us.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: the purpose of a Council Meeting is to conduct the business of the City. While Council is interested in what residents think, their comments must be kept short and to the point; 2: He thanked Council member David Wilkens for arranging a meeting with a representative from Cushman & Wakefield of Texas to promote our freeway frontage area and Council Member Staigle for his computer knowledge which helped make our tough budget process go more smoothly; 3: He reported on his meeting with representatives of Meadows Elementary School. This school is the heartbeat of our community and all 425 kids received outstanding test scores enabling the school to receive a coveted exemplary rating; 4. Due to a mix up with the Sugar Grove Fun Run being on the last Saturday of the month which coincides with Garage Sale day, there will be no garage sales in the month of September. Garage sales will be officially revisited within the next few months and residents are encouraged to voice their opinions to Council.

During Council comments, Councilmember Staigle again reminded the residents about National Night Out on October 6th. Anyone forming a block party should contact Officer Davis for instructions. Regarding citizen participation, he said we welcome dialogue and discussion but there will never be 100% agreement among In 2006 we received 382 responses to a resident survey. Many all citizens. expressed a desire for some sort of water feature or pond for our park. In January, a survey of senior citizens also responded they would like to see a pond in our park. Ponds are installed in all new subdivisions with no particular worry about safety. Most comments from residents about a pond are either indifferent or positive. Regarding Crime Watch meetings, Councilmember Staigle noted that no one will commit to attending regular meetings. Council can try as hard as they can but citizens will have to try harder also to participate with the city and look for information - be it in the newspapers, the city's Newsletter, Town Meetings, the city's web site or coming to Council Meetings.

Councilmember Henley had nothing new to inform about TML activities. Their annual conference will be held in Fort Worth in October and he will have some news then. H-GAC is a council of governments that administers state and federal programs. Councilmember Henley has recently been elected president of the Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC) which recently got their second FEMA allocation - over \$6 million for our region and hopes Meadows Place can take advantage of these funds to obtain a generator for our sewer treatment plant. Councilmember Henley said he appreciates the opportunity to serve the city's residents on both a regional and state level.

Minutes of the June 23, 2009 workshop and regular meetings, the June 29, 2009 special meeting, the July 7, 2009 workshop meeting, the July 21, 2009 workshop

meeting and the July 28, 2009 workshop and regular meetings were presented for approval. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Councilmember Case seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Councilmember Staigle made a motion to table agenda item number six. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Henley and carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH FORT BEND COUNTY.

This agreement will all the City to take advantage of County contracts for purchase of goods at a lower cost. Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle, to approve the ordinance, numbered **2009-23**, as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO ENTER INTO A PRIMARY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF FORT BEND AND THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS.

This agreement will allow the City to do business with the County. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley, to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-24**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR DIGITAL CAMERA AND EQUIPMENT UPGRADE.

This resolution is needed to indicate Council's support to the Police Department in submitting a grant application for upgrades to the PD's digital camera system and other equipment. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-06**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read a proclamation naming September 25, 2009 as Fort Bend County Fair Day in Meadows Place, Texas. Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek, to adopt the proclamation as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read a proclamation naming September 25, 2009 as Dulles High School Day in Meadows Place, Texas, recognizing the fact that Dulles High School has been recognized as being in the top 6 percent of high schools in the nation according to a ratio of the number of Advanced Placement tests taken by all students and was named one of the top high schools in the Houston area by a *Houston Chronicle* based on a Children at Risk Study to see who is doing the best at educating students and preparing them for post-secondary education, among other things. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens, to approve the proclamation as read. The motion carried unanimously. Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS DESIGNATING A REPRESENTATIVE AND OFFICIAL ALTERNATE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 2010.

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to approve the ordinance, numbered **2009-07**, designating Councilmember Terry Henley as the representative and Councilmember Rick Staigle as the official alternate to the General Assembly of the H-GAC for the year 2010. Councilmember Case seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR LAWN AND ESPLANADE MAINTENANCE WITH TEXAS LAWN AND LANDSCAPE SERVICES.

This contract was bid out and Texas Lawn and Landscape Services were the lowest bidders. They have done good work in the Sugar Land area and we expect they will do the same here. Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to approve the ordinance, numbered **2009-25**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE BUDGET FROM THE 2008-2009 FISCAL YEAR AND THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND THE TAX RATE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010.

Due to the fact that the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District did not supply the City with certified numbers until very late in the budget process, the City must still hold it's tax rate public hearings. The earliest a tax rate can be adopted for the next fiscal year is October 14th. This ordinance will allow the city to operate financially during the first half of October. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to approve the ordinance, numbered **2009-26**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Council then accepted the receipt of the Certification of the 2009 Tax Year Anticipated Collection Rate from Patsy Schultz, Tax Assessor Collector for the City of Meadows Place. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to approve the receipt of the Certification. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Case made a motion to ratify the expenditures of \$5,980.00 to American Legal Publishing Co. for preliminary work on codification of City Ordinances, for \$160,359.00 to the City of Stafford for fire services for fiscal year 2008-2009 and for \$7561.99 to Texas Lawn Works for lawn and esplanade maintenance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wilkens and carried unanimously.

During audience comments, Joe Donoghue asked if the committee that approves colors for paint on houses was done away with. (It was for awhile but will soon return. Meanwhile residents are encouraged to check with City Hall for approved colors.) Mr. Donoghue volunteered to serve on that committee. He also inquired what the law was on where a vehicle can park on the street. (It is believed to no less than be 50 feet from a stop sign.)

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Cindy Barrowman said the Police Chief has done a wonderful job on organizing a Neighborhood Watch Program. Her neighbors are talking to each other about problems on a regular basis. She asked if the rumor was true about police officer not getting raises. (The 7:00 p.m. Budget Public Hearing held this evening would have answered that concern - however all salaries of city employees will remain the same as they were last year.) She also asked when another meeting could be scheduled about the roundabout situation. (There are brochures available in the lobby and also from the Federal Highway Department on that subject. Mayor Jessup will also give a presentation to Garden Club members and anyone else interested on October 13th at the Community Center.)

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF JUNE 23, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

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Council discussed the Splash Night Public Meeting held on Friday night, June 12th. There was much feedback at the meeting. During the original public hearing held in December, everyone loved the idea of a water feature in the park, should we receive Texas Parks & Wildlife matching Grant #4. Now there appears to be some opposition.

Council then discussed Kirkwood/West Airport repairs. It appears the City's cost of the West Airport repairs may be lower than the anticipated \$610,000. The cost of Kirkwood repairs will depend on what type of structure goes in the center of the roundabouts.

Council discussed the 2009-2010 General Fund Budget revenues as well as expenditures for the administration and court departments. There are no frills in this budget.

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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 ORDINANCE: PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION OF THIS REPEALING, SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PROVIDING 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.

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF JUNE 29, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The special meeting of the 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 Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle** David Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present was resident David Piwonka.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Henley and an invocation was given by Mayor Jessup.

There were no comments from the audience at this time.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS REGARDING THE REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION REQUESTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF FORT BEND COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT.

Mayor Jessup invited Mr. Piwonka to speak to Council about the importance of this resolution. Mr. Piwonka thanked Council for putting this item on the agenda. He explained why he was in support of it and was asking for our vote. He explained the CAD needed 128 votes for the transaction to pass. Each entity serviced by the CAD has one vote. Not voting is the same as a no vote. Mayor Jessup said he held a workshop on the subject and Council was in favor of the project. It was left off of our June regular Council meeting agenda because we had misinterpreted the newspaper article about it and thought it was a dead issue.

Councilmember Staigle noted that the H-GAC is expecting Fort Bend County to add over 1 million residents over the next ten years. This will certainly tax the current building that is being used by the CAD.

Councilmember Wilkens made a motion to adopt the resolution, numbered 2009-04, approving the real estate transaction requested by the Board of Directors of the Fort Bend County Appraisal District. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Case and carried with unanimous approval.

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 6:14 p.m.

Elaine Very Secretary

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF JULY 7, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the 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 Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle

Absent: David Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present was Chief Mike Baker.

Council discussed the proposed Police Department budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. Most items remain the same with increases for radio equipment and decreases for fuel. There is also a change in items previously listed in Office Supplies category, such as postage. This will now be its own category.

Council also discussed court fees for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Carrie Gregg, Depu ity Secretary

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF JULY 21, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:00 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:

> Мауог: **Charles Jessup**

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

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present was Dan McGraw, Public Works/Public Utilities Director.

Council discussed the proposed Public Works budget noting there are no funds for anything out of the ordinary. Discussing the Public Utilities budget, it was noted that work done on equipment now could save the city several thousands of dollars in the future. Mr. McGraw is getting details and hopes to have the work done in this (2008-2009) budget year.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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Secretary

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF JULY 28, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:00 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:

> Charles Jessup Mayor:

Aldermen:

Heidi Case **Terry Henley Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle** David Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were Parks and Recreation Co-Directors Monya Keenen and Terry Modeland.

Council discussed the proposed Parks and Recreation budget for 2009-2010 in depth. There were no "wish list" items budgeted for. Only truly needed items will receive funding.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 28, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:36 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.

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The pledge to the flag was led by Police Captain Jack Ashton and resident Jimmy King gave the invocation.

Captain Jack Ashton reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were 5 reportable accidents, 10 arrests, 2283 calls for service, 69 offense reports, 374 traffic citations and 69 traffic and 7 city ordinance warnings issued. There was a high number of house watches performed due to the fact this is vacation time. There was one burglary of a motor vehicle, two residential burglaries, and two arrests made after residents saw people taking mail out of mail boxes The next RAD Kids class will be held this weekend with nine children signed up. There are still a few openings for this class.

Terry Modeland, Parks and Recreation Co-Director, gave an update on Parks events that have occurred since the April Council meeting. She said that Grant #3 has been completed, with the recognition signs up at the field house. The Dorrance sign should come down in the near future. There has been no news yet about Grant #4. The Parks Department is working on their budget for fiscal year 2009-2010. There were 101 kids in attendance at the last Barefoot "n Friday event. The next Barefoot "n Friday will the last one of the season. The summer program is going well. Swim Team finished their season with no major problems. The saltwater conversion of the pool has saved the city money. Last day the pool will be open this year is Labor Day, Sept. 7th. Parks Dept. employees are working with Sugar Grove Church of Christ on a Health Fair and also on a Fun Ruin to be held Sept. 26th.

During audience comments, John Whitemen said he has nothing against roundabouts but he does have some questions. They are (with council answers following) - Has the cost and design already been approved? (Changes can be made.) How have we informed residents? (Through the *Fort Bend Southwest Star*, the city's Newsletter, a Town Meeting held on Splash Night and at other council meetings.) How will 18 wheeler trucks and fire trucks be accommodated? (With a special apron on the inside of the lane.) Will there be a school cross walk? (Yes) Is a plot plan available to look at? (Yes, in City Hall lobby - but not before tonight.)

Abby Murphy said she appreciates the beautification efforts that have been made by the city and wonders if the roundabouts will be the same as what is currently around the Mecom fountain. She does not want to see traffic impeded.

Todd Van Note does not think the roundabouts are a smart idea. He would like Council to consider a permanent information sign somewhere east of Kirkwood similar to the marquee at the Community Center. And he is unhappy with the service received when he tried to report an overflow at the water tank on Kirkwood. Vivian Whiteman would like make it legal to post signs for found dogs so they can be returned to their owners.

Brock Ramey is also upset with the treatment he received when he tried to report the water tank spillage over the weekend. He wanted to know which Alderman represented residents in Section 1. (All Aldermen are elected at large - not by district.)

Paul Blubaugh would like to see a development in the city similar to Town Square in Sugar Land that would be a destination place for folks to congregate at. He would like it to be pedestrian friendly. (A request for a grant has been submitted to H-GAC to fund a study on the feasibility of such a development. EDC hopes to be able to contribute to this also.)

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: the Fire Department made 15 EMS calls, one structure fire, four fire alarms and one hazmat call in the city last month; 2: Discussing major road repairs, 2007 Fort Bend County Mobility Bonds will by utilized to pay for much of the reconstruction of West Airport from U.S. 59 to just west of Kirkwood and 90% of the cost to reconstruct Kirkwood, from our northern city limits to our southern city limits. A brochure explaining the roundabouts will be ready soon. If the roundabouts were not safe for pedestrian and especially child crossings, they would not even have been considered. The diagram in the City Hall lobby is a concept and not a plan. It is anticipated that the roundabouts will increase the city's property values. 3: The city is currently in the middle of its budget preparation season. Councilmember Henley noted the city has spent nearly a year studying the roundabouts. An informed decision was made after much research. City Council is here to act in the best interest of Meadows Place.

Mayor Jessup then read the City's Vision Statement for Meadows Place in the year 2024. Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case to adopt the City's Vision Statement as presented. A copy of this vision statement can be found on the city's web site under the "Government" tab.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL PROJECT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE AND FORT BEND COUNTY TEXAS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WITH RE-SLOPING AND SHAPING APPROXIMATELY THREE ACRES OF LAND AT THE WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT TO COMPLY WITH STORM WATER MANAGEMENT.

Mayor Jessup explained this ordinance is required before work can begin. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to approve the Ordinance, numbered **2009-15**, as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW SECTION 20-15 BY ADDING THERETO A NEW PROVISION ESTABLISHING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE REGULATION OF TREES AND SHRUBBERY ON NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY, AND TO PROVIDE FOR NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-16**, as presented. Councilmember Henley seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE BY AMENDING ENTITLED "BUILDINGS," CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE I, ENTITLED "IN GENERAL," SPECIFICALLY SECTIONS 9-2 ENTITLED "ADOPTION OF CODES" BY REPEALING THE PRESENT PROVISIONS AND INSERTING A NEW SECTION 9-2, ENTITLED "ADOPTION OF CODES." THE NEW CODES BEING ADOPTED BY THIS ORDINANCE ARE: 2006 **INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE; 2006 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE; 2008 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE;** 2006 **INTERNATIONAL** PLUMBING CODE: 2006 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE: 2006 **INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE: 2006 INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE; 2006 INTERNATIONAL** CODE: 2006 INTERNATIONAL FIRE ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE AND 1999 THE STANDARD SWIMMING POOL CODE.

Approval of this ordinance will bring our building codes up to date. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case to adopt the Building Code ordinance, numbered **2009-17**, as presented.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ENTITLED "BUILDINGS," ARTICLE I, ENTITLED "IN GENERAL," SPECIFICALLY SECTION 9-3, ENTITLED "FEES," BY REPEALING THE PRESENT PROVISIONS AND INSERTING NEW PROVISIONS IN PLACE THEREOF.

This ordinance changes the fee schedule we currently use. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to approve the ordinance numbered **2009-18**, as read. The motion carried unanimously.

The quarterly investment report was presented to Council for approval. Councilmember Case made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to accept and approve the investment report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Staigle made a motion to ratify the two expenditures to Semark Landscape Services, Inc. totaling \$11,090 as presented on the agenda. Councilmember Kulhanek seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

During audience comments, Sharon Kitchen reminded everyone about the Wall of Heroes in City Hall, honoring those military men and women with ties to Meadows Place.. She also reminded the audience that if they choose to come to City council meetings, they will hear what is going on in the city, noting that it was disrespectful to leave in the middle of a Council meeting.

Bill Smith asked how the new mall would affect us economically. Currently the answer is not known as plans are still waiting for approval. Currently, all we are sure of is that the movie theater is being renovated to become an Indian ethnic theater.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary
MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF AUGUST 11, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:00 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 David Wilkens

absent, but listening in on conference call, was Alderman Rick Staigle thus constituting a quorum.

Council discussed the most recent valuations from the Central Appraisal District. There is still \$30 million worth of properties in Meadows Place that are under protest. It is anticipated that there will be a \$226,000 shortfall in tax revenue from last year as property valuations are down \$5 million.

Council discussed possible changes to TMRS (retirement) benefits and Health and Dental Insurance, as well as the possibility of not purchasing one of the new police vehicles. The City Secretary was to look into adding a convenience fee to Municipal Court Credit Card payments. Playing field maintenance was cut to \$10,000. The expenses were still \$173,000 over revenues.

It was decided another meeting would be held on August 18th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the budget further.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secret

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF AUGUST 18, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:11 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:

> Charles Jessup Mayor:

Aldermen:

Heidi Case Terry Henley **Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle** David Wilkens

Council discussed the most recent valuations from the Central Appraisal District which lowered the proposed shortfall by \$50,000. It still leaves a \$93,000 deficit in the proposed budget. If council proposes the same tax rate as last year -\$0.79. and a new police officer is not hired, the city can expect a \$430 balance in funds next year. If council proposes a tax rate of \$0.81, a police officer can be hired and the city can expect a \$1,000 balance in funds next year. At \$0.81 the I&S rate would be \$0.176 and the M&O rate would be \$0.634.

Commercial valuations are down about 15%. Approximately \$29,400 is still being disputed.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Wilkens made a With motion, seconded by Councilmember Case to adjourn the meeting. unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secreta

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF AUGUST 25, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:02 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:

Charles Jessup

Mayor:

Aldermen:

Heidi Case Terry Henley Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle David Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

The propose budget is on the city's web site. There is no new information from the CAD. Residents must become aware of the fact that next year will also be a tough year to balance the city's finances. In order to keep city services on a status quo basis, taxes must be increased. Otherwise, we will need to cut our services. If values go up 5%, the city will be financially where it was in 2008.

Discussing cell tower options, Mayor Jessup informed council that there is a company that would like to purchase our leasing agreements on our cell tower. There is a possible income of \$50,000 - \$60,000. But, this could be a one-time revenue, with no revenues in the future.

Codification of city ordinances has begun.

There is a meeting on Friday at SouthWest Water Co. that will be attended by Mayor Jessup, Patty Spade and Dan McGraw. They will discuss replacing 331 diffusers and a proposal to change out existing water meters with drive-by meters.

It looks like we will be receiving our 4th Parks grant. Terry Modeland will fly to Fort Worth on Thursday to thank the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Our next step will be to select a Landscape Architect to help with the design of the project.

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 7:15 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 25, 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 Kulhanek and Councilmember Wilkens gave the invocation.

Police Chief Mike Baker reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were five reportable accidents, six arrests (four with outstanding warrants, one for possession of a controlled substance and one for assault,) several hundred calls for service and close watches. Nine kids participated in the radKIDS training that took place at the Community Center July 31 - Aug 2. RAD stands for resisting aggression defensively. Cell phone use in school zones is now outlawed by state law and this verbiage has now been added to our school zone signs.

Kathi Sutton, Code Enforcement Officer, gave an update on her activities since May. She said she has issued 76 warnings for high grass and weeds, 19 boat & trailer warnings and 46 limbs & debris warnings. She has received good compliance with the warnings. She has also issued 14 pool warnings - for not being enclosed or dirty and one citation. There were 17 fences in poor repair. She has completed 24 business and residential occupancy inspections and 28 health inspections. Forty-four letters were issued for property maintenance issues and, to date, 19 have come into total compliance.

During audience comments, Arthur Keppers said he moved here 2 1/2 years ago because of our excellent Police Department. He believes the roundabouts are a waste of time, money and efforts and said we need to concentrate on our Police Department and on City Services. Mayor Jessup explained that the sewer repairs, roads and park improvements funds do not come from everyday operating expenses but from bond and grant money that must be either used or lost.

Shad Shreve asked if it were true that the Burger King was moving across Dairy Ashford. Answer - yes. He asked what would happen to the dirt that would be hauled out of the park for the pond. Answer - it would be used for berms and a hill in the park area. He asked what was the roundabout timetable. Answer - it will take 3 to 4 years to complete. He thanked the Code Enforcement Officer, the Police Department and City Council for what they do for the city.

Richard Berg requested more police patrols in the Kirkwood Townhome area. He said there were five robberies in that area alone last month. Mayor Jessup explained we are currently one officer and one dispatcher short. The Police department has not cut employees in the last two years. Berry Berg said she was concerned about 5 o'clock traffic backing up between West Airport and West Bellfort on the roundabouts. She, too, would like to see more police patrols in the Townhome area.

Rick Mueller, who lives across the street from the tennis courts, said he has noticed 30 or more people waiting for tennis courts. He believes those with cards are letting those without cards in to play - many who are not even residents. He said he has notices tennis shoes on top of electrical wires and believes this is a sign for where drugs can be purchased. He also called attention to the school crosswalk at Dorrance and Valencia which is sinking again.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: the Fire Department made 10 EMS calls, three carbon dioxide alarm calls, three motor vehicle assist and one good intent call in the past month. 2: Discussing major road repairs, this subject has been talked about for several meetings and residents can look to the city's web site for more information. 3: Discussing the budget, the city is completing the toughest budget in the history of the City of Meadows Place. Revenues are projected to be lower. Council does not want the budget to affect police services and are in the process of hiring a dispatcher and new patrol officer. All Department heads as well as Council Members did a phenomenal job putting the new budget together.

During Council Comments, Terry Henley said he currently heads the Transportation Policy council with the H-GAC. This council works with counties to provide funding for roads through the Texas Workforce administration. H-GAC had recently endorsed him as a member to the Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC.)

Councilmember Wilkens spoke about the roundabouts. He said he moved here 15 years ago and shared his efforts and ideas. Many folks are for and many against the roundabouts. All have a chance to share their feelings. Two special meetings to share feelings on the issue have been held. Together the city can accomplish a lot.

Councilmember Kulhanek said this was a tough budget season but it is not yet over. Revenues have driven the budget down this year. A 5% increase in taxes will result in the city having the same amount of money as was collected last year. Revenues from bond sales and grants are not allowed to be used for maintenance and operations purposes for the city.

Councilmember Staigle noted we have the tools to manage the budget more effectively but not more easily. It all comes down to anticipated revenues which will be an ongoing issue for the next several years.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF REVISED RATE SCHEDULES FILED BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX FOR ALL CUSTOMERS WITHIN THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS; CONTAINING FINDINGS AND OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Entex has proposed a raise in rates. The city needs more time to study the situation. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to approve the Ordinance, numbered **2009-19**, as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION TO THE FULL EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW IN PROCEEDINGS

AFFECTING THE RATES OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX CUSTOMERS WITHIN THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE.

This resolution will allow the city to join a coalition of cities that will study the Entex request and make an informed decision. Councilmember Henley made a motion to adopt the Resolution, numbered **2009-06**, as presented. Councilmember Case seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2009.

Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-20**, to call the budget public hearing for Tuesday, September 15, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING A TAX RATE AND CALLING TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL FOR YEAR 2009.

Councilmember Kulhanek then made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-21**, calling the two public hearings on a proposal to increase the total revenues from properties on the tax roll with a tax rate of \$0.81 cents per \$1000 valuation for 2009 for September 8, 2009 and September 15, 2009. Both public hearings are to be scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Case. A voice vote was taken. Councilmember Case voted yes. Councilmember Henley voted yes. Councilmember Kulhanek voted yes. Councilmember Staigle voted yes. Councilmember Wilkens voted yes. The motion, therefore, carried with a unanimous vote.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE AND HDR/CLAUNCH & MILLER TO RENEW ITS SUBSCRIPTION TO ONLINE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM ("GIS") HOSTING SERVICES.

This ordinance would renew the agreement we currently hold with HDR/Claunch & Miller to GIS hosting services. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-22**, as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wilkens and carried unanimously.

Councilmember Staigle made a motion to ratify the three expenditures, to Chris Daugherty, Houston Fence Company, Inc. and Randle Law Office totaling \$17,737.23 as presented on the agenda. Councilmember Kulhanek seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

During audience comments, Shad Shreve asked how we were marketing the old Garden Ridge Property. Answer - we have met with developers and will continue to meet with them and the EDC to do what we can to market the property.

Arthur Keppers asked how to obtain a list of current department heads and their duties. Answer - get with Mayor Jessup after the meeting. Mrs. Keppers thanked the police and fire department for their help when she had a house fire about a year ago.

Leslie Smith said she liked the roundabouts. She was very concerned about the Police Department noting she just received news on her cell phone that another robbery at gun point had taken place at the Kirkwood Townhomes.

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Todd Van Note said that just because you can, doesn't mean you should (regarding the roundabouts.)

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 9:22 p.m.

Elaine Much Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The special meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:00 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**

and the following absent:

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David Wilkens Alderman:

thus constituting a quorum.

Due to the fact that the City did not receive the Certified Tax notices from the Central Appraisal District, it has become necessary to change the dates of the called public hearings on the budget (1) and tax rate increase (2) from when they were originally called.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2009-20 CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 AND SETTING A NEW DATE.

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to amend Ordinance No. 2009-20 calling a public hearing on the budget for a new date, that date being September 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The motion to amend the ordinance, numbered 2009-23(a), was seconded by Councilmember Henley and carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2009-21, AN ORDINANCE CALLING TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL FOR YEAR 2009 AND SETTING NEW DATES.

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle, to amend Ordinance No. 2009-21 and call the two required public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll for 2009, Ordinance Number 2009-24(a) for September 29, 2009 and October 6, 2009, both at 7:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The special meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:30 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.

Council discussed the proposed tax rate. Mayor Jessup said he was proposing a \$0.83 tax rate. This rate would avoid depletion of the City's debt service funds. A tax rate of \$0.81 would do that. Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens, to propose that the new tax rate be \$0.83. A voice vote was taken. Councilmember Case voted yes. Councilmember Henley voted yes. Councilmember Kulhanek voted yes. Councilmember Staigle voted yes. Councilmember Wilkens voted yes. With unanimous approval, the motion was passed.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secret

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The Public Hearing of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:02 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 explained this was an opportunity for residents to address Council with any and all concerns, both positive and negative, they might have about the 2009-2010 budget.

There was a very small audience with no concerns to voice. Council waited 15 minutes to make sure any latecomers would have an opportunity to voice their opinions. No more residents arrived for the Public Hearing.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Sec

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:30 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 Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle Dave Wilkens

and the following absent:

Alderman: Terry Henley

thus constituting a quorum.

Council discussed amending the Garage Sale ordinance which currently states that residents may have two garage sales per year on any two of the six times they are held. One of the compromises that are being proposed is allowing residents to have a garage sale four times a year. Another option is to leave the ordinance as it is with two garage sales per year. The final option is to no longer allow garage sales at any time. To date, there have been 231 garages sales with January, May, and July being the busiest months. The cost of a garage sale permit is currently \$1.00 but that could possibly increase to \$5.00.

Council also discussed marketing the city. Council would like to see the EDC market the front area of the city along the Southwest Freeway more aggressively. The EDC is set to have a meeting next Tuesday evening.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

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MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The Public Hearing of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:01 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:

Aldermen:

Heidi Case Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle Dave Wilkens

and the following absent:

Alderman: Terry Henley

Mayor Jessup explained the purpose of tonight's public hearing was to discuss with the public a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll for the calendar year 2009. The proposed new tax rate is \$0.83.

Shelly Brough of 12323 Meadowdale and Swim Team President questioned the tax rate increase. She was told that the tax base is changing (up \$266,000 total for the entire city) and the collection rate dropped (historically 100% collecting, but through August 2009, only 95% collecting).

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Seci

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING OF OCTOBER 06, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The Public Hearing of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:03 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 explained this was an opportunity for residents to address Council with any and all concerns, both positive and negative, the proposed tax rate for the 2009. The rate proposed is: \$0.83 per \$1,000 valuation, broken down into \$0.65458 for Maintenance and Operation and \$0.17542 for Interest and Sinking. Mayor Jessup explained this was a difficult budget to put together requiring many stressful meetings. Council is not at all happy about having to raise taxes. The city could have raised taxed to almost \$0.85 without the threat of a rollback election but chose instead to tighten its belt as much as possible.

Larry Ewing asked how residents on a fixed budget could expect to pay these taxes. Mayor Jessup said he knew it was tough. While no police positions were cut from the budget, no city employee is receiving a raise either. This budget will allow the city to keep our total police force as well as offer accustomed city services. The tax base is set on property values and, while residential property values have remained steady, commercial values were cut by a quarter million dollars.

Ron Landers asked what was in the budget. He was told the proposed budget is available to see and download on the city's website.

Mayor Jessup also explained that there is an EDC committee that is meeting to actively discuss ways to market our city to potential businesses.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:04 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.

Council discussed re-establishing the MCIA Board of Directors. The MCIA Board's only duty would be to adopt a book of paint colors and meet at least once a year to keep it updated. They would also be another set of eyes for the code enforcement officer, communicating with her through the person they elect as Chairman of their Board. There is a meeting scheduled for January 14, 2010 regarding this subject. In the meantime, the City's Code Enforcement Officer, Kathi Sutton, has been working with homeowners to get them to keep their homes up to code.

Council also discussed a public hearing on garage sales to be held on January 19, 2010. The public hearing will help council decide a: to leave the garage sale ordinance alone (two sales permitted per year), b: amend it to allow four sales per year, or c: amend it to prohibit garage sales.

Council also discussed the Fun Run that took place on Saturday, September 26, 2009. Council discussed what it took to put on the Fun Run, police department involvement, and whether or not the city needs a policy regarding events like this. Council members Kulhanek and Case will check with other cities for their requirements.

Council also discussed the Hike and Bike trail plan. Councilmember Staigle said that his company has an engineer in-training that can do a free bike/pedestrian study.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The special meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:05 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:

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Heidi Case Terry Henley Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle Dave Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Mayor Jessup said that since this meeting was called for 7:00 p.m., but signs put out around the City gave a start time of 7:30 p.m., the meeting will be put on hold until 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Jessup reopened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS FOR THE TAX YEAR 2009.

Mayor Jessup noted that the budget was prepared using an 83 cent tax rate. He therefore proposed the tax rate for 2009 should be \$0.6546 for Maintenance and Operation purposes and \$0.1754 for debt service purposes, making the total tax rate \$0.83. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle, to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-27**, levying the tax rate for the City of Meadows Place for the tax year 2009 at 83 cents. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL 2009-2010 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE AND APPROPRIATING THE SEVERAL SUMS SET UP THEREIN TO THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES THEREIN NAMED.

Mayor Jessup noted that Council has been working on this budget since July in a series of workshops. Councilmember Case made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-28**, adopting the fiscal 2009-2010 budget as presented and appropriating the several sums set up therein to the objects and purposes therein named. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL 2009-2010 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AS ADOPTED BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THEIR JULY 16, 2009, REGULAR MEETING AND

APPROPRIATING THE SEVERAL SUMS SET UP THEREIN TO THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES THEREIN NAMED.

Councilmember Henley made a motion to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-29**, approving the EDC budget as presented and appropriating the several sums set up therein to the objects and purposes therein named. Councilmember Staigle seconded this motion which carried with unanimous approval.

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There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 27, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:31 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 Kulhanek and Councilmember Dave Wilkens gave the invocation.

Monya Keenen, Parks and Recreation Co-Director, gave an update on what's been happening in the last three months. She said it was a fun summer. The kids that came to the last Barefoot 'n Friday all received free ice cream thanks to Parks & Rec Assistant Kristina Hickle winning an essay contest sponsored by Dreyer's Ice Cream Company. The salt water conversion of the city's pools went very smoothly. A remodel of the Community's Center's kitchen area was recently completed. Saturday, Nov. 7th the city will host their semi-annual pet wellness clinic in the Community Center's parking lot. Christmas Memories will be held the evening of Friday, December 11th from 6 - 10 p.m. and will feature a snow hill, band, concessions, Santa's arrival as well as a 20th anniversary of Christmas Memories fireworks display. There have been improvements made to the fencing and lighting at McGrath Park along with new dugout covers on the major's field. A successful fun run was conducted in September which was totally planned and paid for by Sugar Grove Ms. Keenen thanked Council members Case and Kulhanek Church of Christ. assistance in contacting other area cities regarding their fun run policies so that guidelines for our city can be developed for future fun runs. Ms. Keenen thanked Mayor Jessup and City Council for their support in obtaining a record 4th Texas Parks and Wildlife Small Community Grant which will we can take up to three years to complete. Councilmember Henley said that while he thinks the pond is a good idea, he has deep concerns about its annual maintenance costs and would like to see estimates from a lake management company for its upkeep. Mayor Jessup said he previously held the same concerns but thinks the fact that we well be using effluent from the waste water treatment plant to fill the pond as well as water the park and West Airport esplanades, the Surface Water Conversion fees saved will more than make up the cost difference.

Police Chief Mike Baker reported on Police activities since the last Regular Council Meeting. He noted there were four reportable accidents, 12 arrests, 1674 calls for service, 58 offense reports, 467 traffic citations and 187 traffic and five city ordinance warnings issued. There were five motor vehicle burglaries, two residential burglaries and five building burglaries. Police officers completed 292 business checks, 318 house watches and 727 property checks during this time period. A successful National Night Out was held on October 6, 2009. Two officers have had recent surgeries. One is back in the office on light duty and one is still out. The Police Department has recently been awarded a \$61,000 grant which will be used to replace the problem plagued video system. Chief Baker noted that the benefits of business checks after hours security as well as cutting down loitering after hours. During the daytime it is a visibility benefit to the businesses.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: A Marketing Committee, consisting of resident Bob Graf (EDC Director for Missouri City) and resident Travis Tanner (a city planner for the City of Webster) has been formed. They have been charged with coming up with a long term comprehensive plan to market Meadows Place. 2: The Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce Relocation and Newcomers Guide has finally separated us from the Alief community. 3: Signs at our city entrances will soon be installed that note "You are now entering Fort Bend County" to let folks know they are no longer in Houston, Harris County; 4. The fire report for the month of September has not yet been received.

During Council comments, Mayor Jessup noted that, while the city did not participate in the Texas Municipal League Conference to the extent this year as they have in the past, both Councilmember Staigle and Councilmember Henley attended the Conference. Councilmember Staigle said there was an excellent selection of programs to attend including "Thinking Outside the Box"; Social Media in Municipalities" including Face Book and Twitter accounts; Criticism Management; and Legal Questions and Answers for (small) General Law cities.

Councilmember Henley said attending this meeting brings recognition to our city. He, too, attended many excellent sessions - including TML Board of Directors activities. The city should make more use of their free legal expertise. There were sessions on Economic Development; the Texas Municipal Retirement Service; TML Intergovernmental Benefits and Risk Pools. The Resolution Committee passed many pertinent resolutions including ones pertaining to the Uniform Electrical Code, National Electrical Code and National Electrical Safety Code. Another resolution pertained to an exemption to the Hotel/motel Occupancy tax exemption when on government business. The networking at this conference is always special. Concerning H-GAC, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 has granted \$82 million in grants to the State of Texas which the H-GAC is administering to cities and counties in their area. TARC has \$163 million in Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants of which Meadows Place is eligible to receive \$35,000.

Michael Siwierka of Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP. presented Council with a delinquent tax report. He said there are four suits pending against delinquent tax payers. One bankruptcy claim has been filed. Three properties have over-65 deferrals. The company is proceeding with two law suits. There are nine delinquent real property accounts with base tax due for 2008 ranging from \$97 to \$991 and three delinquent personal property accounts with base tax ranging from \$39 to \$350. In addition there are ten delinquent real property accounts for tax years prior to 2008; base tax ranges from less than \$1 to \$826. Eight of the accounts are for less than \$1. Nine personal property accounts range from less than \$1 to \$878.

Minutes of the August 11, 2009 and August 18, 2009 workshop meetings; August 25, 2009 workshop and regular meetings, September 3, 2009 and September 15, 2009 special meetings, September 22, 2009 public hearing and regular meetings, September 29, 2009 workshop meeting, October 6, 2009 public hearing; and the October 14, 2009 workshop and special meetings were presented to council for approval. Councilmember Staigle made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Councilmember Wilkens seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION HONORING ALL WHO SERVED - VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION 2009.

This resolution will be presented during the Sugar Land Rotary Club special meeting to be held on Veterans Day, November 11, 2009. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-09**, as read. Councilmember Henley seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO ENTER INTO A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF FORT BEND AND THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE FOR POLICE PROTECTION.

This is a renewal of the Mutual Aid Agreement with the County, allowing the Sheriff to aid our police officers in our city when needed. Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case, to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-30**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF FORT BEND AND THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE PROVIDING FOR THE HOUSING OF CITY PRISONERS AT A COST OF \$40.00 PER DAY FOR A ONE YEAR TERM BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2009 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2010

This ordinance renews our Interlocal agreement with the County so that we can used the County's jail to house our prisoners. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle, to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-31**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF FORT BEND AND THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE FOR USE OF THE COUNTY'S RADIO SYSTEM, FOR A TERM BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2009, AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2010.

This ordinance renews our Interlocal agreement with the County for police used of the county's radio system. Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-32**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, BY AND BETWEEN THE STATE OF TEXAS, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS, ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS DULY AUTHORIZED OFFICIALS, FOR A LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR A CATEGORY 10 PROJECT.

This resolution will allow us to begin engineering work on the West Airport/Kirkwood project. We are saving \$300,000 thanks to funds Councilmember Henley got ear marked for us from the federal government.. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-10**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to ratify the expenditures of \$7,500 to Brazos Technology for new ticket writers; of \$8,568 to Buddy Jones for improvements made to the Community Center kitchen; of \$12,800 to Division III Constructors for playing field renovations and of \$7,778.11 to Randle Law Office for September, 2009 legal services. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Case and carried unanimously.

During audience comments, Scott Holland, on behalf of Meadows Place Base Ball thanked Council and the Parks & Recreation Department for the new dugout covers.

Joe DeBruin said he is a 14 year resident of Meadows Place and could not be more proud to live here. He would like to hear from the Code Enforcement Officer more often at Council Meetings. He was told that the Code Enforcement Officer gives a report once a quarter and will be at next month's council meeting.

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 8:50 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 3, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The special meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 6:00 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.

Also present was Public Works Director Dan McGraw.

Mr. McGraw gave an overview of the purpose and process involved in reaching the City's goals of energy efficiency. He said there has been \$35,000 set aside for our city as a grant to help us achieve energy efficiency. He will be the authorized representative to deal with this grant along with key financial personnel. The Notice Of Intent (NOI) is due 45 days after September 22nd. (November 6th). Ours was mailed on October 12th and received on October 15th. The resolution is due 60 days from September 22nd (November 21st.) From the date that is received, State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) has 75 days to send the final allocation letter and the application. This should arrive before the end of January. During this wait period, the city will need to have our energy audit completed and determine which facilities would benefit most from using the grant funds. The application letter will be due 30 days from the date it is received (by the end of April.) We should be able to complete and return the application letter within 10 to 14 days after it is received. SECO then has 180 days to review the application and the city will execute the grant agreement that will contain all the requirements and obligations related to spending the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) funds. Funds must be obligated within six months of the effective award date through contracts and be spent within 36 months. Monthly reports will be due on the 25th of each month in the format required by the Comptroller.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURSUING ALL EECBG FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH ARRA BY ALLOTED THE STATE **ENERGY** AND BEING CONSERVATION OFFICE TO BE USED TO ASSIST IN **REACHING THE CITY'S GOALS OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY.**

Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to adopt the resolution, numbered 2009-11, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 24, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The regular meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 7:31 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:

Aldermen:	Heidi Case
	Charles Kulhanek
	Rick Staigle
	Dave Wilkens

and the following absent:

Alderman: Terry Henley

thus constituting a quorum.

Colors were presented by Taj Salih, Tyler McAdams and Terrance Williams, all members of Webelos II, Pack 301. Pack leader Steve Bezner led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Councilmember Dave Wilkens gave the invocation.

Police Captain Jack Ashton reported on Police activities since the last regular Council Meeting. He noted there was only one reportable accident, five arrests, 1066 calls for service, 58 offense reports, 335 traffic citations and 138 traffic and nine city ordinance warnings issued. There were six motor vehicle burglaries, no residential burglaries and one building burglary. Police officers completed 283 business checks, 151 house watches and 472 property checks during this time period. House watches and property checks are expected to increase next month due to the upcoming holidays. All officers will be attending our Christmas Memories event on December 11th from 6 to 10 p.m. They are coordinating with the Parks and Recreation and Public Works departments to see where they are most needed, especially around fire works time.

Kathi Sutton, Code Enforcement Officer gave a report on her activities since August. She has issued 62 warnings to residents, mostly for high weeds and grass, 28 warnings for boats &: trailers parked where visible from the street, several warnings for trees not clearing 16 feet over streets and/or 10 feet over sidewalks, 152 sign warnings with one citation issued, 42 trash and 21 deteriorating fence warnings 13 pool issues along with 68 warnings for other miscellaneous offences. She also completed 26 health inspections and 22 residential occupancy inspections. Today in District Court the city was granted a permanent injunction against an owner who has refused to bring his property up to code. She plans to address fences that are too close to the property line on side lots. They must be at least 30 feet off the center of the right of way on the side street.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: Water tests indicate we will be able to use the effluent from the Waste Water Treatment Plant to fill our new lake in the park as well as for irrigation along West Airport Blvd. This will save the cost of using freshly pumped water for these uses. Also, 331 new diffusers are being installed at the Plant. This will save on the cost of electricity. 2: He will meet with Larry DiCamillo next week regarding possible grants available for our Fire Department equipment wise. 3: City Hall employees have completed mandatory Identify Theft training required by Federal Red Flag Alert rules. 4. All alarm permits expire on December 31st. Current costs have not been studied since 1992 and it has been decided to raise the cost of new alarms permits to \$35 and renewal alarm permits to \$25. There were no comments from Council at this time.

Council then considered a proclamation naming December 11, 2009 as Bob Stolting Day in Meadows Place. Councilmember Wilkens moved to adopt the proclamation as presented. Councilmember Case seconded the motion which carried with unanimous approval.

Councilmember Staigle then made a motion to adopt the minutes of the October 27, 2009 regular council meeting and the November 3, 2009 special council meeting as presented. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek, carried unanimously.

Councilmember Kulhanek then made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to change the date of the December regular council meeting from Tuesday, December 22nd to Tuesday, December 15th. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS RELATING TO THE RETAIL GAS UTILITY RATES OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND AS CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS; DENYING RATE INCREASE REQUEST AND MAINTAINING CURRENT RATES IN EFFECT, CONTAINING FINDINGS AND OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

This ordinance denies the rate increase requested by Centerpoint Energy Entex. A motion was made by Councilmember Staigle and seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to approve the ordinance, numbered **2009-33**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ENTITLED "BUILDINGS," ARTICLE I, ENTITLED "IN GENERAL," SPECIFICALLY SECTION 9-2, ENTITLED "FEES," BY REPEALING ANY AND ALL REFERENCES TO THE 1999 STANDARD SWIMMING POOL CODE.

This ordinance deletes reference to the 1999 Standard Swimming Pool Code as this code no longer exists but can now be located in the Building Code currently in effect. Councilmember Case made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek, to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-34**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS ADOPTING A WRITTEN IDENTITY THEFT PROGRAM POLICY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S MAYOR TO APPROVE CHANGES IN THE POLICY.

This resolution brings the city into compliance with Federal Law. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-12**, ad presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jessup then read the caption to the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS E 11 VOTES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FORT BEND CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT.

Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek, to adopt the resolution, numbered **2009-13**, giving all 11 of the City of Meadows Place votes to Mary Gayle Brindley. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Staigle then made a motion to approve the expenditure to Joe Salvide for concrete work in the city for \$11,460. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wilkens and carried unanimously.

There were no audience comments at this time.

There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretar

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING OF DECEMBER 15, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The workshop meeting of the 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 Charles Kulhanek Rick Staigle Dave Wilkens

thus constituting a quorum.

Also present was Courtney Smith with Beck Disaster Recovery, Inc. who explained to Council how the COOP-COG program the city is entering into, together with Stafford, Missouri City and Sugar Land, will work.

Council discussed some of the possibilities available should an election be held to change our EDC from a 4A Corporation to a 4B Corporation.

Council also discussed the upcoming May election. Councilmember Kulhanek has made it known he will not be a candidate for office again. Mayor Jessup feels he should run for a one year term only, this time. That will make three offices up for election each year instead of the current four (Mayor and three aldermen) this year and two (two aldermen) next year.

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 7:27 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secret

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 15, 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.

Police Chief Mike Baker led the pledge to the flag and Councilmember Wilkens let the invocation.

Public Works Director Dan McGraw gave his quarterly report about activities in his Department. He said 3-M has offered a grant to replace all signs in the City. The grant would be for \$560 and require total sign replacement. However total cost for total sign replacement would be \$15,000. The City has 268 signs and a sign maintenance plan will be mandatory in 2012. Year two of our storm water plan has been submitted to the State. It states we will begin to sweep our streets twice annually. We will begin sampling outfalls from our storm drains. The new landscape contract began October 5th. Basin cleaning at the Wastewater Treatment Plant started yesterday. A total of 335 diffusers will be installed. Our Water Wells have been calibrated (required every three years) and found to be 100.5% accurate. Approximately 12 companies have registered with us for the West Airport reconstruction RFQ's to date. We hope to end up with between 20 and 40 proposals. Our Energy Efficiency Block Grant proposal is almost ready to be sent in to the State. Red ants at our playing fields are treated twice per year.

Police Chief Mike Baker reported on Police activities since the last regular Council Meeting. Due to this month's early meeting, there are only three weeks in the reporting period. He noted there was five reportable accidents, three arrests, 897 calls for service, 17 offense reports, 97 traffic citations and 53 traffic and nine city ordinance warnings issued. There were no reported burglaries. Christmas Memories went well. There are two officers out because of surgery and we are one officer short (since June.) There is a shortage of qualified applicants and our officers are working 12 hour shifts. A new patrol vehicle arrived today.

During Mayor's comments, Mayor Jessup noted that: 1: He served on a panel for the Fort Bend Leadership Committee. 2: Most of the fire calls this past month have been EMS related. 3. Christmas Memories was a lot of work but very successful. The fire works display was moved up to 8:30 due to the rain.

During Council Comments, Councilmember Henley noted TML is trying to get the legislature to make the Open Meetings Act a bit less restrictive so that Councilmember might address their constituents' questions without fear of reprisals. H-GAC passed the second round of IKE recovery funding today. And, TARC hopes to see more funding in the future.

Councilmember Wilkens then made a motion to adopt the minutes of the November 24, 2009 regular council meeting as presented. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek, carried unanimously.

Jennifer Day with McCall Gibson Swedlund Barroot PLLC presented the city's audit for fiscal year 2008-2009. She pointed out that our bond rating has gone down due to the fact that our insurance company's ratings have also gone down. Our fund balance has increased a bit but we didn't spend as much as we had budgeted for. We budgeted and spent very conservatively in the past year. Ms. Day thanked Melody Vaal for her help during the audit. Councilmember Wilkens expressed concern about the management letter which indicates each Council Member has an individual responsibility toward the city. He felt that council members as a group can make recommendations to the Mayor but are not individually liable for the day to day running of the city. Ms. Day noted that for the most part, Council members have limited liability, due to the fact they are not here day by day supervising staff, but it is possible for them to act apart from the rest of Council. The management letter will be reviewed. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion to accept the audit as presented. Councilmember Wilkens seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

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 ENTER INTO A SERVICES AGREEMENT THROUGH THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL'S COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM CONTRACT WITH BECK DISASTER RECOVERY, INC. FOR ENVIRONMENTAL, COMMUNITY PLANNING, ENGINEERING, AND HOMELAND SECURITY CONSULTING AND RELATED SERVICES

Mayor Jessup explained that Council had met in a workshop meeting earlier this evening with Courtney Smith who explained that four cities, Meadows Place, Missouri City, Stafford, and Sugar Land have joined to work as a regional group to apply for and receive grant funds for emergency planning. Our portion of the cost will come from a disaster recovery grant, administered by the H-GAC. We will not be out any funds, but use only the cost of our in-kind services for payment. Councilmember Case made a motion to approve the ordinance, numbered **2009-35**, as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Henley and was unanimously approved.

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 ENTER INTO TASK ORDER NO. 1, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT BETWEEN BECK DISASTER RECOVERY, INC AND THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, DATED DECEMBER 15, 2009

This ordinance allows us to use Beck Disaster Recovery, Inc. to provide the services for the disaster recovery grant noted above. Councilmember Case made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens, to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-36**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Council was then presented with the proposed police policy manual changes. Most of the changes, such as those concerning racial profiling, were driven by State Law. Councilmember Kulhanek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to adopt the changes to the police policy manual as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Staigle then made a motion to approve payment to Randle Law Office of \$5,350.35 for November 2009 legal services. Councilmember Henley seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Councilmember Case then made a motion to approve the expenditure to AM Pyrotechnic for Christmas Memories 20th anniversary fireworks for \$5,000,00. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kulhanek and carried unanimously.

There were no audience comments at this time.

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There being no further business to consider, Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilkens to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secre

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF DECEMBER 21, 2009 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS

The special meeting of the Meadows Place City Council was called to order at 5:00 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

and the following absent:

Charles Kulhanek

thus constituting a quorum.

Mayor Jessup read the caption to the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND ALLOWING UNDER THE ACT GOVERNING THE TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM "UPDATED SERVICE CREDITS" IN SAID SYSTEM FOR SERVICE PERFORMED BY QUALIFYING MEMBERS OF SUCH SYSTEM WHO PRESENTLY ARE MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE; PROVIDING FOR INCREASED PRIOR AND CURRENT SERVICE ANNUITIES FOR RETIREES AND BENEFICIARIES OF DECEASED RETIREES OF THE CITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR SUCH ACTIONS.

This ordinance allows council to grant updated service credits to retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of the city on an annual basis, rather than on a continuing basis. Councilmember Henley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Staigle to adopt the ordinance, numbered **2009-37**, as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Council felt a workshop with a representative from TMRS present to explain the retirement system would be beneficial.

Council then discussed the revised audit management letter. Councilmember Wilkens made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Case, to approve the letter as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the April 28, 2009, which somehow never were approved by Council, were presented for approval. Councilmember Staigle made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Henley, to Approve the minutes of the workshop and regular meetings from April 28, 2009 as presented.

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 6:15 p.m.

Elaine Herff, City Secretary