Minutes of Meeting

City of Weston Lakes, City Council Meeting Simonton City Hall, 35011 FM 1093, Simonton Texas 77476 Tuesday September 22, 2009

6:00 pm

1. Call to Order. The meeting of the Weston Lakes City Council was called to order at 6 PM on the 22nd Day of September 2009 by Mayor Mary Rose Zdunkewicz. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Mayor Mary Rose Zdunkewicz

Alderman Trent Thomas

Alderman Gary Owens

Alderman Clifton Aldrich

Public Present:

Shannon Purcell

Herc Meirer

Johnny Bonaecorso
Fran Aldrich

Bill DuBois

- **2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.** Alderman Trent Thomas led the Council in the Invocation, prayer, and the pledge of allegiance.
- **3. Public Comment.** There were no public comments.
- **4. Approval of Minutes.** The minutes of July 18, 2009 needed to be corrected. Mr. Case was not present, but Mr. Owens was. A motion was made by Alderman Trent Thomas to accept the Minutes as written once the July 18th correction was made and seconded by Alderman Cliff Aldrich. The motion passed.

5. Mayor's Comments.

- Mr. Peters was out of town so his appointment to the Emergency Management Team will be at another meeting.
- Mayor Zdunkewicz complimented Mayor Pro Tem Aldrich on his excellent efforts in organizing the Emergency Management Plan for the City of Weston Lakes and the success of his first tabletop exercise.
- Mayor Zdunkewicz read the City of Weston Lakes proclamation that Sept. 25-Oct 3 is Fort Bend County Fair week into the meeting minutes.

6. Finance

- A motion was made by Alderman Cliff Aldrich to approve the Financial Statements for August as written and seconded by Alderman Denis DeLuca. The motion passed.
 - Alderman Aldrich commented that the City is right on target for the 2009 budget.
- A motion was made by Alderman Gary Owens to accept a donation check for the amount of \$242 from the Citizens Committee of the Incorporation of Weston Lakes and seconded by Alderman Denis DeLuca. The motion passed.
- **7. Presentation by Fire Chief Herc Meier**. Chief Meier gave an overview of the history of the Fulshear/Simonton Volunteer Fire Department including the establishment of the Fort Bend County Rural Fire Company establishing a tax district that funds the present day fire department. The fire department responds to approximately 900 calls a year. The department is made up of 20 part-time paid fire fighters (using off-duty firemen from other counties) and 16 volunteer firemen. They have an operating budget of \$1.7 million a year. The station maintains 2 fire-

fighters 24-7 and 3 people during the day. A new fire house is presently under construction in Westheimer Lakes and talks are ongoing to begin construction of another in Firethorne (perhaps 2 years out). After answering several questions from the public, Chief Meier had to leave for another meeting.

- **8.** Cancellation of the Election. Because all candidates were running unopposed, an Order to Cancel the Election was presented to the Council for a vote. Alderman Denis DeLuca made a motion to cancel the election and it was seconded by Alderman Cliff Aldrich. The motion passed.
- **9. Emergency Preparedness**. Alderman Cliff Aldrich reported the Emergency Management team will have their next meeting on October 8, 2009 to work on After-Action reports that resulted from the very successful Tabletop exercise in September.
- 10. Adjournment. A motion was made by Alderman Trent Thomas to adjourn and was seconded by Alderman Denis DeLuca. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Mary Rose Zdunkewicz Mayor, City of Weston Lakes

Attest:

Kathy Nida City Secretary