

Minutes of Regular Meeting
City of Weston Lakes, City Council Meeting
Simonton City Hall, 35011 FM 1093, Simonton Texas 77476
Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at 6:00 pm

1. Call to Order. The regular meeting of the Weston Lakes City Council was called to order at 6:00 PM on the 2th Day of September 2010 by Mayor Mary Rose Zdunkewicz. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Mayor Mary Rose Zdunkewicz
Alderman Clifton Aldrich
Alderman Denis DeLuca

Alderman Trent Thomas
Alderman Gary Owens
Alderman Ted Case

Marshal Ronald Horowitz
Kathy Nida

Public Present:

Shannon Purcell
Robert Bernard
Sonny Fisher

Bill DuBois
Dot DuBois
Don Conrad

Robin Dunn

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Alderman Trent Thomas led the Council in the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comments.

a. NONE

4. Mayors Comments.

- a. Aqua Texas – the Mayor sent a letter to Aqua Texas
- b. The Flu Shot clinic will be OCT 2nd from 10-3.

5. Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of AUG 24 and Minutes of the Budget Workshop & Special Meeting on AUG 21: Alderman Owens pointed out that in Minutes from AUG 24th all council members were present; remove the “Members Absent” section.

A motion was made by Alderman Denis DeLuca to approve the Minutes with the corrections and was seconded by Alderman Cliff Aldrich. The motion passed.

6. Finance

a. Approval of AUG Treasurer’s Report

A motion was made by Alderman Trent Thomas to approve the Treasurer’s Report and was seconded by Alderman Cliff Aldrich. The motion passed.

7. Consider and Take Action on the City Audit Sanderson Knox & Co. and Seidel, Schroeder & Co.

- Mr. Owens said the firm should be bonded.
- It comes down to price before signing an Engagement Letter.
- Have both come in to look at books and talk to Mayor.

A motion was made by Alderman Gary Owens to give the Mayor authority to choose an auditor as long as they are insured and bonded; the motion was seconded by Alderman Trent Thomas. The motion passed.

8. Consider and Take Action on renewing the InterLocal Agreements with Fort Bend County Environmental Health Department: Inspection of food Service Establishments & On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems & OSF Nuisance Compliance

A motion was made by Alderman Cliff Aldrich to renew both of the InterLocal Agreements with Fort Bend County Environmental Health Department and was seconded by Alderman Denis DeLuca. The motion passed.

9. Consider and Take Action on Emergency Management Contract with ABC Quality Leasing, LLC.

- Mr. Conrad and Mr. Dunn from ABC Quality Leasing were there to sign the contract. Their company will be responsible for removing debris from the streets and City in the event of an emergency. Alderman Aldrich recommended the Council accept the contract.

A motion was made by Alderman Trent Thomas to accept the contract with ABC Quality Leasing and was seconded by Alderman Gary Owens. The motion passed.

- Alderman Thomas pointed out a misspelled word on page one of the contract. Secretary Nida made the correction before the contract was signed.
- Alderman Denis DeLuca concerned about the paragraph D on page 5 leaving a blank check for the City. It was pointed out that attorneys for both parties have reviewed the document prior to presentation to the council.

10. Consider and Take Action to adopt CenterPoint rate case ordinance

AN ORDINANCE FINDING THAT THE EXISTING ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION RATES OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC LLC ("CENTERPOINT" OR "COMPANY") ARE UNREASONABLE AND SHOULD BE REDUCED; ORDERING CENTERPOINT TO REDUCE ITS EXISTING RATES WITHIN THE CITY; ORDERING CENTERPOINT TO SUBMIT TARIFFS CONSISTENT WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE GULF COAST COALITION OF CITIES' CONSULTANTS IN PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS DOCKET NO. 38339; ORDERING CENTERPOINT TO REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR ITS REASONABLE COSTS INCURRED IN THIS RATE CASE AND ANY RELATED RATEMAKING PROCEEDINGS OR APPEALS OF SAID PROCEEDINGS; AUTHORIZING THE GULF COAST COALITION OF CITIES TO ACT ON BEHALF OF CITY AND INTERVENE IN ANY PROCEEDINGS BEFORE ADMINISTRATIVE OR JUDICIAL BODIES; REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS ORDINANCE TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

A motion was made by Alderman Ted Case to approve the Ordinance concerning the CenterPoint rates and was seconded by Alderman Denis DeLuca. The motion passed.

11. Review of the Flood Plain Submission

Mr. Scott Sangar from Jones & Carter presented their findings. Protests are due to FEMA on the 19th of OCT.

- There are two places where the flood plain has changed in Weston Lakes. There are a couple of places that have been included in the flood plain that are actually above the base flood elevation that Jones & Carter are submitting protests on the City's behalf.
- MUD 81 is still listed as the Flood Plain administrator. That will also be corrected.
- Mr. Robert Bernard asked Mr. Sangar about Pecan Lake...the figures shown were only estimations of the elevations. Mr. Sangar said that was correct. Mr. Bernard said, for the record, Mr. Aldrich's comments should be made to the Council and not just to the Mayor.
- Alderman Ted Case asked if the elevations are correct, but the lines of the topography do not necessarily follow the elevations. Mr. Sangar said that was correct.

A motion was made by Alderman Cliff Aldrich to approve the corrections so they can be submitted to FEMA by OCT 19th and was seconded by Alderman Ted Case. The motion passed.

12. Report by Marshal Horowitz

a. Presentation of Job Descriptions and Scope of Duties for Reserve Deputy Marshals

- The Marshal presented documents with written job descriptions and duties of the Reserve Deputies.

- The Marshal's office is not expanding. It is a supplement to the sheriff's office and the Marshal has no intentions of taking over the Sheriff's job.
- Alderman Gary Owens said these items do not fulfill getting final approval. Back in August, the Council gave approval of the positions subject to "receipt and review" of several documents.

A motion was made by Alderman Cliff Aldrich to receive the documents for future consideration for issues relating to the marshal's office and was seconded by Alderman Ted Case. The motion passed.

- Although arriving after the meeting had been called to order, Mr. Robert Bernard said he signed the sheet to speak on this issue. Alderman Cliff Aldrich said Mr. Bernard was out of order; however, the majority of the Council agreed to let him speak at this time if it is brief. Mr. Bernard said the City has a Marshal that wants four Deputy Marshals. What laws are they going to enforce? He wants the council to be aware of that. The Mayor thanked him for his comments.
- Marshal Horowitz asked Alderman Owens to clarify what the three or four items were that the Marshal is to submit. One was job descriptions, two was responsibilities and he could not remember the other. Regardless of the number of items, receipt of them did not constitute approval. The Marshal was not aware the items needed approval. The documents that are being presented today are for consideration, not approval.

The motion was amended by Alderman Gary Owens to accept the documents for receipt, review and subsequent approval for issues relating to the marshal's office and was seconded by Alderman Denis DeLuca. The motion passed.

13. Report by Alderman Aldrich

a. Emergency Preparedness

- The City has been fortunate that there has been no storm activity in the Gulf.
- The grants are moving forward.
- The distribution of the door hangers is 98% complete.
- There are 1050 homes in the City of Weston lakes.
- Marshal Horowitz mentioned that the 100 Club would like to present the police radios to the City at the next meeting. The Mayor reminded him the Council still needs the Exhibits to go along with the InterLocal Agreement. He said Exhibit A just needed the serial numbers off of the radios. Exhibit A is a listing of the number of radios and their serial numbers. Exhibit B is how many radios will be available for the maintenance agreement with the County.

14. Adjournment

A motion was made by Alderman Trent Thomas to adjourn and was seconded by Alderman Ted Case. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Attest:

Mary Rose Zdunkewicz
Mayor, City of Weston Lakes

Kathy Nida
City Secretary