# MINUTES THE CITY OF PINEY POINT VILLAGE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2015

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PINEY POINT VILLAGE MET IN A REGULAR MEETING ON MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2015 AT 6:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL, 7676 WOODWAY, SUITE 300, HOUSTON, TX 77063, TO DISCUSS THE AGENDA ITEMS LISTED BELOW.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Lee Butler, Dale Dodds, Henry Kollenberg, John Ebeling, and Ron Goodwine

**ABSENT:** Joel Bender

**CITY STAFF:** Ben Griffin, City Administrator; Maggie Carty, City Secretary; Annette Arriaga, Director of Planning, Development, & Permits; Mike Peloquin, Public Works; Cary Moran, Urban Forester; David Olson with Olson & Olson; John Peterson with HDR Engineering; and Joe Moore with HDR Engineering.

**DECLARATION OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Lee Butler called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Butler conducted the meeting with the agenda items in the following order:

#### CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

Mr. Werlin with Kinkaid School addressed Council regarding plans for a new gate and inquired whether a permit would be required. Council informed him no permit would be required to repair or replace an existing gate.

## 1. Discuss and take possible action on the MVPD monthly report.

Chief Sanders gave a brief overview of the department's monthly activity. He reviewed how response time is calculated. He also reviewed arrests that were made in the City.

### 2. Discuss and take possible action on the VFD monthly report.

Chief Foster reviewed the department's monthly activity. They are currently fully staffed after hiring 8 new employees. Thirty emergency calls occurred this month which is slightly higher than typical.

3. Discuss AT&T and their contractor's continued failure to obtain permits and failure to call in line locates resulting in damage to MVWA lines and damage to city right of way.

Mike Montgomery, with the Water Authority, addressed Council regarding AT&T contractor requirements for working in the City right-of-ways. He reported that AT&T is causing damage to water lines due to failure of AT&T submitting proper plans, getting permits, and calling in for line locations. Mr. Montgomery appealed to Council to establish common contractor requirements amongst all the villages and enforce permit regulations for utility contractors. Mayor asked Staff to research the issue. Update will be given at next council meeting.

## 12. Discuss and take possible action on the Harris-Galveston Subsidence Restrictions.

Mr. Montgomery, with the Water Authority, reviewed the Subsidence Regulations. He reported to Council that the City is at 93% accountability which is above the current requirements. Water quality in the five water wells is very good. The Water Authority is in compliance with the Subsidence Regulations currently in place.

6. Discuss and take possible action on a resident's request for a "No Outlet" sign on N. Country Squire.

Councilman Kollenberg made a motion to approve a "No Outlet" sign on N. Country Squire. Councilman Dodds seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

5. Discuss and take possible action on the acceptance of the 2014 Annual Audit Report.

Anthony Cardiel, with Brooks, Cardiel presented to Council the 2014 Annual Report and reviewed the audit results. The City received an unmodified opinion which is the best possible audit result. Councilman Kollenberg requested Mr. Griffin, Administrator, report back to Council in approximately three months time on action taken to address audit findings. Councilman Ebeling made a motion to accept the audit report. Councilman Goodwine seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. Discuss and take possible action on the P&Z Commission's recommendation regarding the Specific Use request by Chapelwood for a Columbarium and take possible action on scheduling a public hearing.

Planning & Zoning approved Chapelwood's SUP request for a columbarium. A public hearing will be scheduled for June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at Memorial Drive Elementary to allow the residents to speak either for or against the issue. Councilman Kollenberg made a motion to authorize the Mayor to schedule a date, time, and

place to hold the public hearing in the event the June 4<sup>th</sup> date or location falls through. Councilman Dodds seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

10. Discuss and take possible action on the CenterPoint Energy Distribution Cost Recovery Factor.

Ms. Cindy Pena, with CenterPoint Energy, discussed the cost recovery interim rate adjustment. No action required.

11. Discuss and take possible action on CenterPoint Energy's request to suspend the operation of its 2015 gas reliability infrastructure program ("GRIP") interim rate adjustment for one year.

Ms. Cindy Westcott with CenterPoint Energy Gas reviewed the GRIP program. There will be no rate adjustment this year. Councilman Dodds made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter on behalf of the City acknowledging the rate suspension for 2015. Councilman Kollenberg seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

7. Discuss and take possible action on a requested change to the Quality Tree List.

Cary Moran, Urban Forester, addressed Council regarding changes to the approved tree list. Councilman Dodds made a motion to approve the updated list. Councilman Kollenberg seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- 8. Discuss and take possible action on the City Administrator's monthly report.
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Ben Griffin, City Administrator, reviewed the monthly financials.

9. Discuss and take possible action on the City Administrator's request for new software for the municipal court and permits department.

Ben Griffin, City Administrator, requested approval for new software for the municipal court, permitting, and public works departments. Councilman Kollenberg made a motion to approve an expenditure of \$7500. Councilman Dodds seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

13. Discuss and take possible action on a resolution to support legislation proposed by Bunker Hill Village to regulate sex offenders as allowed by Home Rule Cities.

Councilman Goodwine made a motion to approve a resolution supporting legislation to regulate sex offenders as allowed by Home Rule Cities. Councilman Ebeling seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

# 14. Discuss and take possible action on HDR's request for authorization to bid the 2015 Maintenance Improvement Project.

Joe Moore, City Engineer, discussed the various repairs included in the maintenance project. Total Construction cost estimate is \$208,240.00. HDR requested authorization to go out to bid. Councilman Dodds made a motion to authorize HDR to request bids. Councilman Goodwine seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

# 15. Discuss and take possible action on the S. Country Squire storm sewer repair.

Joe Moore, City Engineer, reported the storm sewer on S. County Squire was found to have heavy roots and damage in the sewer line. He presented two options for repair: 1) Mechanically clean with a chain, which would be a temporary repair, costing approximately \$7000; 2) Repair with a cured-in-place liner which would cost \$75,000. Councilman Dodds made a motion to get quotes for the mechanical cleaning. Councilman Ebeling seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

# 16. Discuss and take possible action on the City Engineer's monthly report regarding ongoing projects.

Joe Moore gave a brief update regarding ongoing projects. 2014 Paving Improvement Project is complete other than some sod being placed. Final walk through will follow shortly thereafter and the project will be closed out. Blalock/S. Piney Point Project is still waiting on approval from Harris County. Hunters Park reconstruction will start Wednesday and take seven to ten days to complete. Regarding the Woods Edge Bank Stabilization Project, plans are back from Erosion Control Systems. HDR has reviewed the plans and the environmental personnel are doing an assessment to get approval under the City's nationwide permit. HDR is working on the closeout for Memorial Drive Elementary.

Regarding the drainage plans on private streets, Councilman Dodds reported that the task force did an initial study and determined that there are 22 private streets. The committee will look at streets connected to current projects and do a conceptual engineering study to determine costs and direction for the private street drainage plans.

17. Discuss and take possible action on scheduling a special council meeting on May 18, 2015 due to the next regularly scheduled council meeting falling on Memorial Day.

Mayor Butler called for a Special Meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 due to the regularly scheduled meeting falling on Memorial Day.

18. Discuss and take possible action on the minutes of the March 23, 2015 regular city council meeting.

Councilman Dodds made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Goodwine seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

19. Discuss and take possible action on any future agenda items.

Council would like an update from Councilman Bender on possible ordinance changes.

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The City Council will adjourn into closed executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY): specifically regarding pending litigation.

No Executive Session.

21. Action outside of Executive Session, if any.

No Action.

## 22. Adjourn

Councilman Kollenberg made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Dodds seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned.

City Secretary

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of May, 2015.

F. Lee Butler

Mayor