

LAKWOOD VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 12, 2009

Council Members:

Mike Schnittker, Mayor
Mark Vargus
Ken Guthrie
Harold Wood
Carolyn Coleman
Dave Getka

Town Staff:

Linda Asbell, Town Secretary

REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 P.M.

With a quorum of the Council Members present, Mayor Schnittker called the Town Council to order at 7:01 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2009, in the Council Chambers of the Lakewood Village Town Hall, 100 Highridge Drive, Lakewood Village, Texas.

Pledge to the Flag

(Agenda Item A)

Mayor Schnittker

Visitor/Citizens Forum:

(Agenda Item B)

No person requested to speak

Regular Agenda:

(Agenda Item C)

**Consideration of Minutes of the February 12,
2009 Council Meeting**

(Agenda Item C.1)

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus and seconded by Councilman Guthrie, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2009 Council Meeting. The Motion Carried

Consideration of Amendment to Building

Ordinance 06-05A

(Agenda Item C.2)

Councilman Getka reported that he requested this item be discussed because of problems with trash coming from the three current building projects in Town. Councilman Getka distributed pictures he took of the building sites showing garbage around the sites and trash that has blown to other locations in town. Councilman Getka requested Council consider requiring builders to use silt fences around the construction locations in an effort to reduce blowing trash. There was some discussion about the current builder requirements relating to construction site trash. Councilman Getka expressed his preference for requiring a builder to pay a fee to cover the expense of an employee or contractor being hired to pick up trash. Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus expressed concern with requiring additional fees to be paid by builders on top of the building permit fee. There was some discussion about the building inspector checking the sites for garbage upon each inspection. Councilman Getka stated he is bringing up two issues, one being the requirement of fencing to control trash blowing, and the second being a method to fund hiring someone to pick-up trash. Councilman Getka expressed concern for the time when LandPlan begins development and the amount of garbage that will be generated if this issue is not addressed. Mayor Schnittker requested Councilman Getka review the current language in the building ordinance and propose changes that might clarify the requirements and provide enforcement options.

MOTION: No Motion Made

**Consideration of Ordinance Amending the
Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget**

(Agenda Item C.3)

Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus reported that for the first time in documented history the accounts receivable for the utility fund is below zero, and the reserve fund has grown to more than \$300,000. Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus reviewed the financial reports provided and the current year to date numbers. There was some discussion on the amended budget numbers. Council discussed the possibility of budgeting for the cost of changing the street signs throughout Town. There was some discussion on the Town Engineer line item to provide for a Master Utility Plan creation. Council discussed the net gain to the Town based on the amended budget increasing revenues and reducing expenses. Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus explained how he arrived at the proposed amendment numbers. There was some discussion on making the capital improvement line item zero versus leaving a dollar amount that is not expected to be spent. Councilman Guthrie expressed concern about leaving funding when it is not expected to be used. Council discussed changing the capital improvement line item to \$5,000 and reducing the depreciation expense to \$52,000. There was some discussion about changing the current type of water meter used to the type of meter that is read by radio frequency.

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilman Getka and seconded by Councilman Wood, the Council voted five (5) “ayes” and no (0) “nays” to approve the ordinance amending the 2008-2009 budget as discussed. The Motion Carried

Discussion on park/playground progress

(Agenda Item C.4)

Mayor Schnittker reported on Mr. Jenks progress on the playground installation. Councilman Getka stated that he would be happy to volunteer, along with others, to seal the new wood on the playground. Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus reported that the covered shelter that had been discussed would cost just over \$10,000, and is not feasible during this budget.

Mayor Schnittker reported that a lot of brush and dead trees have been cleared away and the park area is looking much better. Mayor Schnittker reported that boulders will be moved from the entrance and will be used to mount the dedication plaque and a date for a dedication ceremony will be set. Councilman Getka asked about warning signs notifying of the possibility of snakes. Mayor Schnittker stated that trails should be established and continually kept mowed to keep the snake danger lower.

Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus reported that LandPlan has given permission for trees to be transplanted from their property to the Town Park for landscaping purposes.

**Discussion on Comprehensive Master Plan
and Impact Fees:**

(Agenda Item C.5)

Mayor Schnittker reported on a meeting with the Town Engineer. The Town Engineer expects to have the final master plan submitted to the Council by the end of this month. Council will then have time to review the plan and hold a public hearing at the April Council meeting. Mayor Schnittker reported on the possibility of creating development agreements versus enacting impact fees. Councilman Guthrie expressed concern about the long term implications of not having impact fees established. Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus explained that the Town continues to have some leverage in that properties would not be rezoned until an agreement has been reached. Councilman Guthrie stated his concern that LandPlan is not the only owner of undeveloped property within the Town limits.

Councilman Getka asked about the status of the Rocky Point Water System purchase. Mayor Schnittker reported Mr. Oberdorf stated that he would only complete the portion of the application for consideration that he is required to complete if we paid him \$4,000. Mayor Schnittker reported that the TCEQ sent an attorney to Lakewood Village to assist with the completion of the application. There was some discussion on the condition of the water system. Mayor Pro-Tem Vargus reported on the status of grant possibilities being researched by City Secretary, Linda Asbell.

**Discussion on Lewisville Lake Toll Bridge
Opening Event**

(Agenda Item C.6)

Mayor Schnittker reported that August 1st has been set for the run event. Mayor Schnittker stated that although the Town expected to be able to set up a booth to distribute and it is not looking like that is going to be feasible for this event. Mayor Schnittker stated that he would like to see Lakewood Village provide volunteers to work the water-station located on this side of the lake where the runners will turn around and head back over the bridge.

There was some discussion about a traffic light at Eldorado and Lakecrest.

Councilman Guthrie reported the lights at the entrance to Town are burned out.

Adjournment

(Agenda Item D)

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilman Guthrie and seconded by Councilman Wood the Council voted five (5) “ayes” and no (0) “nays” to adjourn the Regular Session of the Lakewood Village Town Council at 8:35 on Thursday, March 12, 2009. The motion carried.

These minutes approved by the Lakewood Village Town Council on the 9th day of April, 2009.

APPROVED

Mike Schnittker
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Linda Asbell
CITY SECRETARY