

**Minutes for Regular Session Council Meeting
City of Hillcrest Village
Monday, April 11, 2022**

Mayor Wilson called the Regular Session Council meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Present: Mayor Wilson, Alderman McGilvray, Alderman Mondragon, Alderman Smith, Alderwoman Simoneaux, and Alderwoman Izard

Pledge

Public Forum:

Craig Gilbert, 222 W. Sherwood, let Council know that there are a lot of new renters in Hillcrest Village that are not aware that it is their responsibility to maintain their easements. He asked if Council could put out a message somehow to let them know to clean up their easements.

Reports/Recommendations from Contractors/Employees:

- A. MUNICIPAL DISTRICT SERVICES – Austin gave his report, and he presented a few quotes for Council’s consideration. Council and Austin discussed each quote.
- B. Shohn Davison – MARSHAL’S OFFICE – Marshal Davison gave his report, and he let Council know that he will be hosting a Coffee with the Marshal again soon. Mayor Wilson asked the Marshal about the vehicles running the stop signs at the four-way stop on West Wildwinn and Main Street. He says that he personally patrols that area and has stopped many violators.
- C. Travis Hobbs – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR – Travis Hobbs was not able to attend this meeting.
- D. John Patterson – OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATOR – John gave his monthly report. John gave a special thanks to resident Brad Dawson and Alderman Smith for helping paint and clean-up the Municipal Building.

Minutes:

Alderwoman Izard and Alderman Mondragon motioned to approve the minutes for the Regular Session Council Meeting March 14, 2022. All approved and the motion carried.

Monthly Financial Statements:

January 2022 Financial Statements were not available for this meeting.

New Business:

- 1) RESIDENT LORI CANDRIAN, W. SHERWOOD, TO ASK COUNCIL TO WRITE AND ENFORCE A NOISE ORDINANCE.

Mrs. Candrian presented a long list of examples of times that the dog next door is barking. She requested Council to write an ordinance that addresses nuisance noises. Mayor Wilson told her that he will look into writing an ordinance, but the problem with an ordinance for noise nuisance is that we do not have a Municipal Court to enforce such ordinance. Marshal Davison said that Texas has a state noise nuisance law but it is only from 10:00 pm – 6:00 am, so she would have to report the noise in that time frame.

2) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON QUOTE TO HAVE A TREE REMOVED AT PUMP STATION ON TIMBERLANE TO PREVENT DAMAGE.

John Patterson provided three quotes to have a large tree removed from the pump station on Timberlane Drive. Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderman Mondragon motioned to accept the quote from Santa Fe Tree to remove the tree at the pump station on Timberlane Drive for \$600.00. All approved and the motion carried.

Follow-Up Business:

1) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REVIEWING AND POSSIBLY ADOPTING THE BRAZORIA COUNTY WRECKER ORDINANCE.

Alderman McGilvray and Alderwoman Simoneaux motioned to table this topic until an ordinance number is assigned. All approved and the motion carried.

2) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF THE HYDRO-PNEUMATIC TANKS.

Alderman Mondragon and Alderman Smith motioned to remove this topic because we must complete a formal open bid process. All approved and the motion carried.

3) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE RECONNECTION OF THE WATER METER THAT CONNECTS HILLCREST VILLAGE TO THE CITY OF ALVIN.

Alderwoman Izard and Alderwoman Simoneaux motioned to remove this topic because we must complete a formal open bid process. All approved and the motion carried

4) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON QUOTE TO HAVE TREES TRIMMED/REMOVED AT SEWER PLANT TO PREVENT DAMAGE.

John Patterson provided three quotes to have trees trimmed/removed at the sewer plant to prevent damage. Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderwoman Izard motioned to accept the quote from Santa Fe Tree to trim and/or remove trees at the sewer plant for \$1,050.00. All approved and the motion carried.

5) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING QUOTES TO HAVE DAMAGED SEWER TRANSFER LINES REPAIRED.

Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderman Smith motioned to table this topic until three quotes are received. All approved and the motion carried.

Correspondence/Announcements:

ALDERMAN MCGILVRAY – Had questions regarding a complaint about a neighbor’s tree. Mayor Wilson said if the tree is on private property, then the City cannot get involved. Alderman McGilvray also said that when the water system gets brought down to repair and paint the hydro-pneumatic tanks, we need to make sure that all repairs/preventive maintenance is done at that time.

ALDERMAN MONDRAGON – Knows we lost the case against Travis Drabek regarding the large building he had built in his back yard, but can Council control the color of the building? Clerk let him know that Council cannot control the color or façade of a house or permanent structure on private property.

ALDERWOMAN SIMONEAUX – Went to the BCCA meeting and it was an incredible experience and very educational.

ALDERMAN SMITH – Thanked John Patterson and Brad Dawson for painting and cleaning up the inside of the municipal building. He said he has a rental coming up and asked if the building rental information was advertised. Can we include the building rental information on the website?

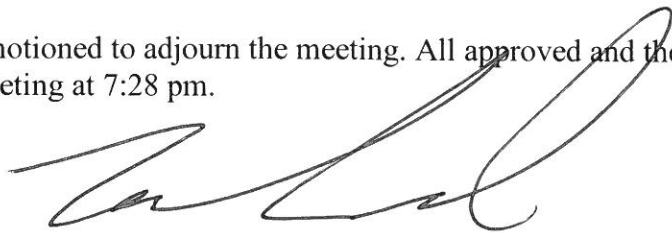
ALDERWOMAN IZARD – Contacted the Department of Emergency Management regarding the formal bid process. She was told to contact the State Treasury. She said she will do more research on the formal bid process. Alderwoman Izard also updated Council on her plans to have Food Truck Thursdays starting in May through the summer. She also reminded Council to be sending her items that she can post in her new “Highlights” newsletter.

CITY CLERK – Let Council know that TCEQ had approved the extension request for submitting a new EPP (Emergency Preparedness Plan). She also let Council know that Spring Heavy Trash Pick-up was rescheduled for May 9th.

MAYOR WILSON – Will get back to work preparing ordinance violation letters and trying to get more compliance on these ordinances.


Adjournment:

Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderman Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting. All approved and the motion carried. Mayor Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:28 pm.



Tom Wilson, Mayor

Attest:



Rashelle Casas, City Clerk