Minutes for Regular Session Council Meeting City of Hillcrest Village Monday, June 13, 2022

Mayor Wilson called the Regular Session Council meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

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

Pledge

Public Forum:

Brad Dawson, 102 E. Crestmont, would like to give a shoutout to the City Clerk for posting the City Council meeting information on Talk of Hillcrest (FaceBook). He would also like to give a shoutout to John Patterson. He does not know how the city got along without him before. He said John is always super helpful and gets problems solved.

Ann McGilvray, 119 E. Wildwinn, said that she has seen some bad misrepresentation of the City Council members on Talk of Hillcrest. She says that people are making comments and remarks that are not true and are not nice about the City Office and City Council.

Sheila Orrenmaa, 107 Mustang, let Council know that she came outside to a bunch of trash on the streets and in the yards. She started it picking up and found that it was mail. Her husband told her that when he left for work early in the morning, a bunch of mailboxes were open and that is why mail was everywhere. She will send an email to the Marshal's department with details.

Reports/Recommendations from Contractors/Employees:

- A. MUNICIPAL DISTRICT SERVICES Austin Muse gave his monthly report. Mayor Wilson asked Austin questions regarding overbilling and why so many seemingly unnecessary workers would be at a job. Austin said that MDS only sends the number of workers needed for a job because they have plenty of communities with projects going on. Mayor Wilson let Austin know that we would be forming a small group to review the bill each month, and that he would like to meet with him soon to go over statement questions.
- B. Shohn Davison MARSHAL'S OFFICE Marshal Davison gave his report.
- C. Travis Hobbs EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR Travis Hobbs was not able to attend the meeting. Mayor Wilson said that Travis called and said that he came across grant money that would pay for 75% of a new generator. The problem with the grant is that we would have to write a grant in two weeks. He said it's a long shot, but we will try to apply for the grant.
- D. John Patterson OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATOR John gave his monthly report. He also discussed a few projects around the village.

Minutes:

Alderwoman Izard and Alderman McGilvray motioned to approve the minutes for the Regular Session Council Meeting May 9, 2022, and the Hurricane Workshop May 31, 2022. All approved and the motion carried.

Monthly Financial Statements:

Alderwoman Izard and Alderwoman Simoneaux motioned to approve the Financial Report for April 2022. All approved and the motion carried.

New Business:

- 1) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A QUOTE PRESENTED BY AUSTIN MUSE FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF ALVIN WATER INTERCONNECT.
 - Mayor Wilson briefly explained why we would need to have the water interconnect with the City of Alvin. Alderwoman Izard and Alderman Smith motioned table this topic. All approved and the motion carried.
- 2) REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP 22-01) HYDRO-PNEUMATIC TANK RECOATING BID OPENING.
 - We only received one bid from Russell Pekar to recoat the two hydro-pneumatic tanks. Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderman McGilvray motioned to accept this bid. All approved and the motion carried.
- 3) RESIDENT LOWELL LAMORA, JR, 202 W LARKSPUR DR, REQUESTING AN EXTENTION OF TIME TO BECOME COMPLIANT WITH ORDINANCE 34B-2022.

 Mr. Lamora explained that he bought the RV brand-new in 2018, and it has never been a problem with his neighbors. He moved it to where it is not visible from the right-aways and is screened from driving by. He asked Council to keep it where he moved it and to not have to put it behind a fence. Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderwoman Izard motioned to grant Mr. Lamora a variance to the current Ordinance 34B-2022 regarding parking the RV as shown to Council by way of pictures. All approved and the motion carried.
- 4) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CLEAN-OUT OF THE DRAINAGE PIPE THAT RUNS FROM EAST SHERWOOD TO WILDWINN DRIVE. Alderman Mondragon and Alderwoman Simoneaux motioned to table this topic so that we can work this project into our budget. All approved and the motion carried.
- 5) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING UPDATING SIGNAGE TO PREVENT VEHICLES FROM DRIVING IN EASEMENTS. Alderwoman Izard and Alderwoman Simoneaux motioned to table this topic for now. All approved and the motion carried.
- 6) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING GETTING A GIFT FOR THE SOUTH STREET BLUE GRASS BAND. Alderman McGilvray and Alderman Mondragon motioned to donate \$50.00 to the band's ministry. All approved and the motion carried.

7) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REVIEWING THE INVOICES SUBMITTED TO TJ&T ENTERPRISES (DAMAGES MADE BY AT&T SUBCONTRACTORS) TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE REASONABLE.

Mayor Wilson explained that he met with TJ&T Enterprises. They said they don't have a problem with reimbursing for the repairs made to correct the damage caused by the AT&T subcontractors as long as the charges are reasonable. Mayor Wilson will work with MDS to get clarification on these invoices. Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderwoman Izard motioned to table this topic until Mayor Wilson get the clarifications needed from MDS.

8) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FORMALIZING THE REVIEW OF MONTHLY BILLING FROM MDS.

Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderwoman Izard motioned to formalize the review of the MDS monthly billing by having a committee made of Alderman McGilvray, Mayor Wilson and Operations Admin John Patterson. All approved and the motion carried.

- 9) RESIDENT PAUL PETITT, 200 MAIN ST, CONCERNING ORDINANCE 34B-2022. Mr. Petitt presented drawings to Council that shows his plans to build some fencing to put his RV and boat behind. He requested a variance and requested an extension of time to complete projects. Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderman McGilvray motioned to grant the variance requested and approved additional time to make changes to his fencing and gate to become compliant with Ordinance 34B-2022 on the condition that he provide the City with plans, has a reasonable timetable, and pulls proper permits. All approved and the motion carried.
- 10) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO OUR RETENTION POND.

Alderman McGilvray explained what repairs are needed to be made to the retention pond to prevent flooding. Brazoria County said they could do the labor for free, but we would have to pay for the materials. The materials could cost between \$5,000 to \$10,000. Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderman McGilvray motioned to approve this repair. All approved and the motion carried.

Follow-Up Business:

1) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REVIEWING OUR MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY GENERATOR.

Alderman McGilvray talked to Matt Davenport about this contract, and Matt said the contract is excessive and unreasonable. Matt says that we may not need a contract, or we could go to an annual contract. He sent Alderman McGilvray a proposal of pricing for Council to consider when we do our budget for Fiscal Year 2023. Alderman McGilvray and Alderman Mondragon motioned to approve the price increase on the generator maintenance for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2022. All approved and the motion carried.

Correspondence/Announcements:

ALDERMAN MCGILVRAY - No comment.

ALDERMAN MONDRAGON – Update on Mrs. Kelly, Ridgecrest Ct, electrical issue? Mayor Wilson gave a brief update to this issue that is out of code. Alderman Mondragon asked what time trash pick-up is supposed to start?

ALDERWOMAN SIMONEAUX - No Comment.

ALDERMAN SMITH - No comment.

ALDERWOMAN IZARD – Updates on food truck Thursday, Travis sent FEMA grant information but she doesn't have access to link, having issues with SAM system, asked for Highlights material,

CITY CLERK - Clarified the difference between City Secretary, City Office and Accounting for the City.

MAYOR WILSON - No specific comment.

Adjournment:

Alderwoman Simoneaux and Alderman Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting. All approved and the motion carried. Mayor Wilson adjourned the meeting at 8:09 pm.

Tom Wilson, Mayor

Attest:

Rashelle Casas, City Clerk