

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
VILLAGE OF BEAR CREEK COMMISSIONERS  
January 19, 2015**

**1) Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order 7:04 pm.

**2) Roll Call**

Mayor Upham, Commissioner Bohm and Commissioner Brushwood are present.

**3) Citizens Comments will be taken from the audience on Non-Agenda related topics. No action may be taken by the City during Citizens Comments.**

Al Brushwood announces his son has a TV show airing tonight at 9:00 pm. Show is titled "Hacking the System".

**4) Approval of Minutes from October 20, 2014 Commissioners Meeting.**

Commissioner Brushwood makes a motion to approve the October 20, 2014 minutes as submitted. Mayor Upham seconds. Motion approved unanimously.

**5) Approval of Minutes from December 15, 2014 Commissioners Meeting.**

Commissioner Brushwood makes a motion to approve the December 15, 2014 minutes as submitted. Commissioner Bohm seconds. Motion approved unanimously.

**6) Discussion and possible action in regards to reviewing 2014 – 2015 budget and actual expenditures.**

Budget vs Actual reviewed. No changes necessary.

**7) Consent Agenda – the following may be acted upon in one motion. A**

**Commissioner, Mayor or a Citizen may request items be pulled for separate discussion and/or action.**

**A. Approve payment to US Traffic Controls, LLC \$1,892.00 balance due for pole mounted radar sign. Invoice dated 10/22/14.**

**B. Approve reimbursement to Kathryn Rosenbluth \$48.18 for two VOBC signs made @ Fast**

**C. Approve payment to Victor O Schinnerer & Co \$50.00 for Mark Bohm's bond renewal. Invoice dated 12/31/14.**

Commissioner Bohm makes a motion to approve the consent agenda as read.

Commissioner Brushwood seconds. Motion is approved unanimously.

## **8) New Business**

### **A. VOB Community Emergency Preparedness Presentation. Guest speaker, Mike Jones, Hays County Emergency Management.**

Mike Jones makes 15 minute presentation to council. He explains that Hays County has finite resources to handle an emergency in the county. He's encouraging communities in the county to be proactive and create individual emergency preparedness plans for their community. Hays County offers formalized training for emergency preparedness. Eligible participants must be 18 yrs of age and live in Hays County. Program is called "All Hazards Program" and is offered at no cost. A handful of residents expressed interest in participating in this program.

Mr Jones reviewed the 5 steps for community emergency preparedness:

- 1) Identify what kinds of hazards would affect your community. (IE: flooding, evacuation, fire, no power, etc.)
- 2) Scout for leaders in your community (Head point person, block captains, etc)
- 3) Put together a plan (plan of action for each potential hazard)
- 4) Build a team (block captains, phone tree, etc)
- 5) Apply your approach

Suggests each household should have a survival kit and evacuation kit. Your home kit should include provisions to last 2 weeks without utilities and services. Mr Jones is making himself available to our community for additional training and assistance.

Resident Lee Otten will schedule the next community meeting with Mike Jones.

## **9) Old Business**

### **A. Discussion and possible action regarding an automated digital speed limit detection and warning sign. (Bohm)**

Commissioner Bohm reports he's figured out how the speed limit detection sign is mounted. He's reviewing the software and anticipates having it installed in the next few weeks.

### **B. Discussion and possible action regarding the VOBC Subdivision Ordinance requirements 3 acre or smaller tract with well water and Aerobic septic system. (Bohm)**

Item Tabled.

**C. Discussion and possible action regarding Village of Bear Creek Right-of-Way; including but not limited to ditch work.**

Commisisoner Brushwood has had no response from H&H Construction, Del Valle, TX, , hoping to receive a bid for ditch work. He's following up with other companies to obtain bids.

Mayor Upham expects Ramming Paving will do the road crack fill within a month.

Kathryn Rosenbluth brought to council's attention that the electric box on the pole at N Madrone/Niles Cove intersection is not secure. In addition there is evidence of cracks in the concrete downstream of low water crossing. Upstream of the low water crossing there is secure piece of rebar sticking up out of the concrete base. It's now bent over and down to avoid injury.

**10) Announcements**

**A. Next VOBC Commissioners Meeting is scheduled for Monday,**

**February 16, 2015 7:00 PM**

**B. VOBC – TDS Annual Trash Clean Up Date Saturday, April 25, 2015**

**9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.**

**11) Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM

Submitted on February 8, 2015 by Kathryn Rosenbluth.

Approved on February 16, 2015

By Kathryn Rosenbluth, City Secretary Kathryn Rosenbluth