

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
VILLAGE OF BEAR CREEK COMMISSIONERS
December 21, 2015**

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order 7:01 pm.

2) Roll Call

Mayor Upham, Commissioner Brushwood and Commissioner Burns 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.

None.

4) Approval of Minutes from November 9, 2105 Commissioner Meeting.

Commissioner Burns makes motion to approve the November 9, 2015 minutes as submitted. Commissioner Brushwood seconds. Motion approved is approved unanimously.

5) Discussion and possible action in regards to reviewing 2015 – 2016 budget and actual expenditures.

Council discussed the \$300.00 budgeted amount for annual bonds. This includes all members of council and city secretary. This year the annual bond renewal for council members is a \$50.00 each. Whereas the city secretary's is a 3 yr renewal for \$130.00. Total expected cost for bonds will be \$280.00 which is within budget.

6) 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. Approval to pay annual contribution to Driftwood Volunteer Fire Department, \$250.00 for use of meeting space.

B. Approval to pay Victor O Schinnerer \$50.00 for Douglas Burns annual bond. Invoice dated 11/12/15.

C. Approval to pay Victor O Schinnerer \$130.00 for Kathryn Rosenbluth 3 yr bond renewal. Invoice 10/30/15.

D. Approval to pay Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool

\$986.48 for liability insurance. Invoice dated 12/1/15.

E. Approval to pay Hays Central Appraisal District \$95.51 for 1st Quarter 2016.

Invoice dated 12/2/15.

Commissioner Burns makes motion to approve the consent agenda as submitted.

Commissioner Brushwood seconds. Motion approved is approved unanimously.

7) New Business

A. Discussion and possible action to schedule dates for TDS/VOBC Annual Trash Clean Up Day.

Council discusses possible clean up dates in April and May 2016. They agree on 1st choice of Saturday, May 14, 2016 and 2nd choice of Saturday, May 7, 2016. The City Secretary will present these dates to TDS and get on their calendar for 2016.

8) Old Business

A. Discussion and possible action on VOBC Right-of Way Clearing. (Brushwood)

Commissioner Brushwood reports that Aspen Tree Service and Landscaping has satisfactorily completed the work and he released payment. Mayor Upham makes motion that elected officials can volunteer as they see fit to remove obstructions to insure the safety of roadway and right of way . Commissioner Burns seconds. Motion is approved unanimously.

B. Discussion and possible action on road system including the low water crossing. (Upham)

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

Commissioner Brushwood successfully downloaded new readings. He wants to contact Officer Cunningham with Hays County Sherriff and discuss how he should format and send information to them. Council discusses relocation of the digital speed limited detection sign and decide to keep it on the same pole, but flip if around to the other side and take readings from that position.

D. Discussion and possible action regarding Village of Bear Creek Right-of-Way; including but not limited to ditch work. (Upham)

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9) Announcements

**A. Next VOBC Commissioners Meeting is scheduled for Monday,
January 18, 2016 7:00 PM**

10) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM

The meeting is reopened at 7:43 PM. All members of council and city secretary are in attendance.

Mayor Upham reopens Old Business # 8.B

8) B. Discussion and possible action on road system including the low water crossing. (Upham)

In November council approved not to spend more than \$200.00 on 2 new "DIP" signs and 2 new "Do Not Enter When Flooded" signs. Price quote from Pathmark Traffic Products is \$212.94. Quote doesn't include shipping or hardware. Mayor Upham makes motion to approve an increased expenditure up to 240.00. Commissioner Burns seconds. Motion is approved unanimously.

Meeting is adjourned at 7:45 PM

Submitted on December 25, 2015 by Kathryn Rosenbluth.

Approved on January 18, 2016

By Kathryn Rosenbluth, City Secretary Kathryn Rosenbluth