

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF BEAR CREEK COMMISSIONERS July 17, 2023

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM

2) Roll Call

Mayor ProTem Brushwood and Commissioner Brackenridge are present. Mayor Bohm is absent.

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.

Kathryn Rosenbluth shares that many Cities in Hays County have announced is in Stage 2 or 3 draught conditions. She'd like council to consider putting together an Ordinance to support draught stages and conditions. She'll reach out to WTCPUA and request they put out draught signage at both entrances.

Kathryn Rosenbluth received authorization from Driveway Administrator, Glen Regan to refund Monark Builders \$1,500.00 deposit for 8200 Bear Creek Dr's driveway. Glen confirmed the driveway installation is suitable and recommends the council issue the refundable deposit. Refund check is prepared for council to sign tonight.

Kathryn Rosenbluth shares that Spectrum is no longer the only provider for internet services. Their household recently switched to TMobile internet.

4) Approval of Minutes from April 19, 2022 Commissioners Meeting.

Table, minutes are not complete.

5) Approval of Minutes from June 20, 2023 Commissioners Meeting.

The agenda states Minutes from May 16, 2023. May 16, 2023 minutes were approved at the June 20, 2023 meeting. Table, June 20, 2023 minutes they are not complete.

6) Discussion and possible action in regard to reviewing 2022- 2023 budget and actual expenditures.

Kathryn Rosenbluth states she recently deposited Spectrum/Charter Fundings quarterly franchise fee increasing amount received from \$1,711.09 to \$2,909.19.

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 Friendship Creekside Fellowship \$50.00 for

7/17/23 VOBC Commissioners meeting in the Annex.

b. Approve payment to Knight Law Firm \$75.00 for attorney services April 2023. Invoice #5139 dated 7/13/2023.

Mayor Pro Tem Brushwood makes a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read. Commissioner Brackenridge seconds. Motion is approved unanimously.

8) New Business

- A) Convene into executive session pursuant to Section 1.05 Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, and Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, to consult with legal counsel regarding the plat for Bear Creek Oaks, Section III, Lot 2, Hays County Texas.**

Mayor Pro Tem Brushwood opens the Executive Session at 7:17 PM.

Mayor Pro Tem Brushwood closes the Executive Session at 7:45 PM and resumes the Commissioners Meeting.

- B) Discussion and possible action regarding FEMA's proposed finalization of updated Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS).**

City Secretary shares that FEMA has been working on updating the FIS study and updating the FIRM for quite a while now. Deadline is approaching for any community input for physical map revisions. FEMA initiated a statutory 90-day appeal period for certain communities within Hays County of which VOBC hasn't been identified as requiring a 90-day appeal period, but we're being provided one if we choose to submit any comments or corrections to non-technical information. Council reviews Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM); all agree no comments or corrections are warranted.

9) Old Business

- A) Discussion and possible action regarding the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) program and VOBC use of allocated funds. (Including but not limited to Broadband and Water)**

In regards to Broadband Commissioner Brackenridge is working on communicating with AT&T. He's called a couple of times, has yet to connect with someone who can speak to on running fiber on AT&T poles.

B) Discussion and possible action regarding West Travis County Public Utility Agency (WTCPUA) water expansion model/study for VOBC, including but not limited to discussion of VOBC City Engineer cost estimates for implementation as well as various possible approaches to fund the project.

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C) Discussion and possible action regarding Village of Bear Creek roads and Right-of-Way.

Commissioners have an open discussion regarding engaging Garcia Tree Trimming for additional Right of Way tree trimming. Some road signs are blocked by tree limbs, low hanging trees over roadway and work on Oaks damaged by February's ice storm. City Secretary mentioned her property is in the queue for ice storm clean up; when she talks with Pete from Garcia Tree Trimming, she'll mention future work from VOBC. Commissioner Breckenridge makes motion to engage Garcia Tree Trimming to clear signage and Oaks damaged by ice storm, and other vegetation causing line of sight issues up to an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. Mayor ProTem Brushwood seconds. Motion is approved unanimously.

D) Discussion and possible action regarding improving traffic safety at the two VOBC intersections FM1826 at N Madrone Trl and Bear Creek Dr and FM1826 and 45 W. Including but not limited to 1826 Neighborhood Coalition. (Commissioner Brushwood)

Mayor ProTem Brushwood has no contact or word from the FM 1826 Neighborhood Coalition.

E) Discussion and possible action regarding Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) 2023 Severe Winter Storm Mara -DR #4705..

City Secretary reports they've extending the filing deadline to November 2023. Our goal is to get partial reimbursement for \$11,400.00 spent on Winter Storm clean up; tho we don't have photo documentation of ice storm damage and cleanup work. Application period opened June 8, 2023 and closes on November 3, 2023. She's not had an opportunity to do the different layers of training and register on the portals.

F) Discussion and possible action regarding Hays County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. (Commissioner Brushwood)

Mayor ProTem is working on our response of an possible action plan for the 17 identified hazards. Commissioners have a general discussion regarding various potential hazards; fire, drought

contingency plan, emergency management communication, phone tree, etc.

G) Discussion and possible action regarding Covid-19 Hays County Disaster Order.

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H) Discussion and possible action regarding VOBC records and fire recovery.

(Mayor Bohm)

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I) Discussion and possible action regarding Village of Bear Creek web site maintenance.

Commissions have a open discussion regarding adding website links to the web site. Such as TDS Waste Wizard, Hays County water restrictions, etc.

11) Announcements

A) Next VOBC Commissioners Meeting is Tuesday, August 15, 2023 7:00 PM at Friendship Creekside Fellowship, 14455 FM 1826, Austin, TX 78737.

12) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM

Submitted on September 2, 2023 by Kathryn Rosenbluth

Approved on _____

By *Kathryn Rosenbluth*

Kathryn Rosenbluth, City Secretary