

THE CITY OF WOODBRANCH VILLAGE
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 25TH, 2023

The City of Woodbranch Village council met in a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, May 25, 2023, in the City Hall Building at 58A Woodbranch Drive, New Caney, Texas, 77357. The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Mike Tyson. Roll call showed as being present Councilman Scottie Pouncey, Councilwoman Trisha Marie Cranney, Mayor Mike Tyson, City Attorney Leonard Schneider, Councilwoman Nancy Mulhern and Councilwoman Carey Porter. Councilman Mark Kroll was not in attendance. City Administrator, Charlotte Smith was present to take the minutes of the meeting. Councilwoman Mulhern led the meeting with a prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

REGULAR MEETING (7:00 P.M.)

The regular meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m.

#4. Sign In Sheet

No names appeared on the sign in sheet.

CONSENT AGENDA

#5. Approve Minutes from the April 20, 2023 – Special Meeting & Hearing

Copies of the minutes are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#6. Approve Minutes from the April 27, 2023 – Regular Meeting

Copies of the minutes are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#7. Approve Financial Statement General Fund – April 2023

Copies of this statement are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#8. Approve Financial Statement Water & Sewer Fund – April 2023

Copies of this statement are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#9. Approve Financial Statement Debt Service – April 2023

Copies of this statement are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#10. Approve Bills for the General Fund – May 2023

Copies of the bills are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#11. Approve Bills for the Water & Sewer Fund – May 2023

Copies of the bills are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#12. Approve Bills for the Debt Service Fund – May 2023

Copies of the bills are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#13. Approve the Court Activity Report – April 2023

Copies of this report are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#14. Road & Ditch and Storm Water Management Report – April 2023

Copies of these reports are on file in the City Secretary's office.

#15. Approve the Building Permit Activity Report – April 2023

Copies of this report are on file in the City Secretary's office.

The motion to approve items 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 was made by Councilman Pouncey. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Porter, motion carried.

COUNCIL TO CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AMEND, ACTION, AND/OR APPROVE MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE FOLLOWING;

- Approve the Police Activity Report –April 2023
Copies of this report are on file in the City Secretary’s office. The motion to approve the report was made by Councilwoman Cranney. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pouncey, motion carried.
- Operator’s Report – April 2023
The motion to approve the report was made by Councilman Pouncey. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Porter, motion carried.

Mayor Tyson requested information regarding San Jacinto River Authority late fees on pumpage coupons, TCEQ violation notices, CCR Notices and Verizon Wireless auto dialers

During the Operator’s report, Harley Permenter made reference to the pumped versus billed portion of the report. He reported the City’s system received excess water in the month of April. After investigating the issue, it was determined the Roman Forest interconnect was not open and there was no report of water loss from the district. Inframark reached out to EMC MUD #5/Tavola and the district reported their meter did not appear to be calculating the water. He reported our city interconnect valve to be in the open position. He reported the open position to be normal. He reported no protocol established when the interconnect was installed therefore it was left in the open position and received over 3 million gallons of water from EMC MUD #5 that he believes the City will be billed for. Mayor, Council and staff directed Inframark to have all interconnects in the off position and to be under lock and key.

#16. Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meetings Act TEX. GOV’T CODE 551.071 – To receive general legal advice on the demand letter submitted to the City by the owner of 83 White Oak
Council went to executive session at 7:35 p.m.

#17. Reconvene in to open session and take possible action
Council reconvened in to open session at 8:00 p.m. The motion to retain attorney Ray Viada, to respond to the demand letter submitted by the owner of 83 White Oak, was made by Councilman Pouncey. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cranney, motion carried.

#18. Consider, discuss, and/or take possible action on Ordinance 321-2023 – an ordinance of the City of Woodbranch Village, Texas repealing Ordinance 145; establishing minimum storm drainage driveway crossing culvert construction requirements, providing for removal of faulty culverts or installations, prohibiting burning in storm water drainage system or creating water flow obstructions; and providing a penalty for violations (Mike Tyson, Mayor)
The motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Councilman Pouncey. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mulhern, motion carried.

#19. Consider, discuss, and/or take possible action on Ordinance 322-2023 – an ordinance of the City of Woodbranch Village, Texas amending Ordinance 302-2021, Article 5, Section G “Penalties for Non-Compliance”, increasing the fine to \$1,000.00, providing severability; repealing all ordinances or part of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this ordinance; and providing an effective date (Mike Tyson, Mayor)
The motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Councilman Pouncey. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mulhern, motion carried.

#20. Mayor’s comments on infrastructure, city budget and grant opportunities (Mike Tyson, Mayor)
Mayor Tyson had no comments.

#21. Items of Community Interest - (Hear announcements concerning items of community interest from the Mayor, Councilmembers and City Staff for which no action will be discussed or taken.)

No announcements were made.

#22. Adjourn

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. was made by Councilman Pouncey. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Porter, motion carried.