

# City of Woodbranch Village



*Vera Craig, Mayor*  
*Scott Essmeier, Council Position 1*  
*Larry Beard, Council Position 2*

*Mark Kroll, Council Position 3*  
*Brent Purser, Council Position 4*  
*Clay Dean, Council Position 5*

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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 14, 2019

The City of Woodbranch Village council met in a special meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, March 14, 2019, in the City Hall Building at 58A Woodbranch Drive, New Caney, Texas, 77357. The special meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call showed as being present Councilman Scott Essmeier, Councilman Larry Beard, Councilman Mark Kroll, Mayor Vera Craig, Councilman Brent Purser and Councilman Clay Dean. City Attorney Leonard Schneider was not in attendance. City Secretary Charlotte Smith was present to take the minutes of the meeting. Councilman Larry Beard led the meeting with a prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

SPECIAL MEETING (7:00 P.M.)

#5. Consider, discuss and/or take possible action on rescinding the prior action by City Council to seek Request for Qualifications of Architects for the construction of a new storage building at City Hall – (Vera Craig, Mayor)

The motion to rescind the prior motion was made by Councilman Clay Dean, with the addition that a committee be appointed, consisting of Councilman Beard, Councilman Kroll and Councilman Dean, to assist with the project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott Essmeier, motion carried.

#6. Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meetings Act TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.074 – To discuss personnel matters – to interview potential candidate for full time patrol position – Johnny Whisenant

Council went in to closed session at 7:02 p.m.

(A) – to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline and or dismissal of a public officer or employee

#7. Reconvene and take possible action

Council reconvened in to open session at 7:22 p.m. Councilman Brent Purser made the motion to hire Johnny Whisenant, contingent on a 6-month probation and at the current budgeted salary. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mark Kroll, motion carried.

#8. Items of Community Interest – (Hear announcements concerning items of community interest from the Mayor, Councilmembers, and City staff for which no cation will be discussed or taken.)

Councilman Dean requested each member of council receive a copy of the proposed nuisance and abatement ordinance and for a workshop be scheduled to further consider the proposed ordinance.

Councilman Beard inquired about an ordinance for solicitors. City Secretary Charlotte Smith stated that a newer ordinance has been drafted by the City Attorney recently and will be presented at a future meeting of council.

No other announcements were made.

#9. Adjourn

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. was made by Councilman Scott Essmeier. The motion was seconded by Councilman Clay Dean, motion carried.