

THE CITY OF WOODBRANCH VILLAGE
WORKSHOP & SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2024

The City of Woodbranch Village council met in a workshop & special meeting at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, August 8, 2024, in the City Hall Building at 58A Woodbranch Drive, New Caney, Texas, 77357. The workshop was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Nancy Mulhern. Roll call showed as being present Councilman Scottie Garner, Councilwoman Trisha Marie Cranney, Councilwoman Nancy Mulhern and Councilwoman Carey Porter. Mayor Mike Tyson arrived at 6:09 p.m. Councilman Kevin Johnson and City Attorney Leonard Schneider were not in attendance. City Secretary Debra Wildblood was present to take the minutes of the workshop.

WORKSHOP (6:00 P.M.)

The workshop was opened at 6:00 p.m.

Consider and discuss the proposed budget for the City of Woodbranch Village, Texas 2024-2025 (Mayor Pro Tem Nancy Mulhern)

City Administrator Charlotte Smith read aloud the proposed 2024-2025 budget to be considered and discussed.

SPECIAL MEETING (6:30 P.M.)

The special meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Mike Tyson. City Administrator Charlotte Smith was present to take roll call. Roll call showed as being present Councilman Scottie Garner, Councilwoman Trisha Marie Cranney, Councilwoman Nancy Mulhern and Councilwoman Carey Porter. Councilman Kevin Johnson and City Attorney Leonard Schneider were not in attendance. City Secretary Debra Wildblood was present to take the minutes of the special meeting. Councilwoman Mulhern led the meeting with a prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#5. Sign In Sheet

No names appeared on the sign in sheet

#6. Jose Contreras – resident to request a variance from City Council to Ordinance 246-2015, Section 7-C regarding the prohibition of recreational vehicles from being used as a permanent or temporary dwelling in the City (Mike Tyson, Mayor)

After a brief discussion, the motion to approve the residents' request was made by Councilman Garner. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mulhern, motion carried. The variance granted is for 180 days, after which the request would need to be revisited by Council.

#7. Consider and discuss the proposed budget for the City of Woodbranch Village, Texas, fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025 and call a public hearing for August 27, 2024 (Mike Tyson, Mayor)

The motion to call for a public hearing on August 27, 2024 was made by Councilman Garner. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cranney, motion carried. The roll call vote was as follows:

Councilman Garner: Yes
Councilwoman Cranney: Yes
Councilman Johnson: Not in attendance
Councilwoman Mulhern: Yes
Councilwoman Porter: Yes

#8. Consider and discuss the tax rates needed to fund the Fiscal Year 2025 budget for and authorize the meeting notice publication for August 29, 2024 (Mike Tyson, Mayor)

The motion to authorize the meeting notice publication for August 29, 2024 was made by Councilman Garner. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cranney, motion carried. The roll call vote was as follows:

Councilman Garner: Yes
Councilwoman Cranney: Yes

Councilman Johnson: Not in attendance
Councilwoman Mulhern: Yes
Councilwoman Porter: Yes

#9. Item 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.)

City Administrator Smith discussed the ongoing fraud investigation concerning a hijacked check issued by the City. Reports have been filed with the fraud department at the bank and the post office. Councilwoman Porter suggested the use of certified mail for all payments.

#10. Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Garner at 6:48 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mulhern, the motion carried.