

THE CITY OF WOODBRANCH VILLAGE  
Regular Meeting  
April 24,2025

The City of Woodbranch Village council met in a regular meeting at 6:00 P.M., Thursday, April 24, 2025, in the City Hall Building at 58A Woodbranch Drive, New Caney, Texas, 77357. The regular meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM by Mayor Mike Tyson. Roll call showed as being present Councilman Scottie Garner, Councilwoman Stacey Shipley, Councilman Kevin Johnson, Mayor Mike Tyson, Councilwoman Nancy Mulhern and Councilman James Mulkey. City Administrator Charlotte Smith and City Attorney Leonard Schneider were not in attendance. City Secretary Debra Wildblood was present to take minutes of the meeting. Councilwoman Mulhern led the meeting with a prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**REGULAR MEETING (6:00 P.M.)**

The regular meeting was opened at 6:06 P.M.

**#5. Sign In Sheet**

No names appeared on the Sign in Sheet

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**#6. Approve Minutes from the March 20, 2025 – Regular Meeting**

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

**#7. Approve Financial Statement for General Funds – March 2025**

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

**#8. Approve Financial Statement for Water and Sewer Fund – March 2025**

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

**#9. Approve Financial Statement for Debt Service Fund – March 2025**

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

**#10. Approve Bills General Fund – April 2025**

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

**#11. Approve Bills Water & Sewer Fund – April 2025**

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

**#12. Approve Bills Debt Service Fund – April 2025**

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

**#13. Approve the Court Activity Report – March 2025**

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

**#14. Approve the Road & Ditch and Storm Water Management Report – March 2025**

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

**#15. Approve the Permit Activity Report – March 2025**

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

**#16. Approve the Nuisance and Abatement Activity Report – March 2025**

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

The motion to approve items 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 was made by Councilman Garner. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion carried.

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

**Approve the Police Activity Report – March 2025**

The report was given by Chief Singleton.

Chief Singleton announced that the Police Department was awarded a grant in the amount of \$133,000. This will aid in the purchase of new police vehicles.

Copies of this report are on file in the City Secretary's Office. The motion to approve the Police Activity Report was made by Councilman Garner. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion carried.

**Operator's Report – March 2025**

The report was given by Jacob Williams

Mayor Tyson stated that the generator at the sewer treatment plant is down. The mayor has requested that H2O obtain more estimates for repair costs to be submitted to the City for review. Mr. Williams stated he is working on getting the requested estimates for repair.

Councilman Garner stated that things seem to be running smoother than when H2O first took over and asked if things were in fact running smoother. Mr. Williams stated yes, things are running smoother and most of the issues that arose under the service of the previous company have been resolved.

Copies of this report are on file in the City Secretary's office. The motion to Approve the Operator's Report was made by Councilman Garner. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion carried.

**#17. Dillon Rogers – resident wishing to address Mayor and Council with concerns regarding government transparency and flood mitigation efforts (Mike Tyson, Mayor)**

Mr. Rogers addressed the Mayor and Councilmembers with his concerns regarding government transparency and flood mitigation.

Mr. Rogers asked why the city does not have the City Ordinances available online? He stated that residents should not have to request them from City Hall. Mayor Tyson stated that there are legal requirements when posting items such as ordinances. It is required by law that the Municode Codification Software be used when posting these items as well as any amendments or new ordinances. Mr. Rogers asked why the ordinances could not just be scanned and uploaded to the website. Mayor Tyson stated that the legalities of how these items are made available to the public prevent that from being possible. Also, the initial cost and the cost for upkeep of those records is extremely high. In order to help keep the taxes in the city lower, the city can not support the extra expense.

Mr. Rogers also stated that in his opinion, the construction of new homes and new neighborhood in the City (Lilliput Farms) has led to the increased flooding in the area. He stated that the City should have addressed this before construction began and that the proper steps were not taken to prevent the flooding through out the City. Mayor Tyson stated that the City followed all regulations and requirements regarding the development of Lilliput Farms and all other new homes in the City. City Administrator Smith, Mayor and members of Council have been attending meetings with Dan Crenshaw's office to help in obtaining grants to help fund projects to aid in the resolution of flooding within the City. As an example, the ditch project recently done to help the flow of water away from flood prone areas was funded with awarded grant money. The City has gone to the builders and had them correct the grading and size of ditches when the water flow is hindered. Mayor Tyson also stated that there is a grant that has been awarded to de-snag Peach Creek including the removal of the collapsed bridge, which will help in preventing future flooding issues.

Councilman Garner also added that the City is very transparent with the residents. If and when questions, concerns or requests are submitted, they are answered. The best thing to do as a resident is to attend the monthly Council meetings to find out what is truly going on in the City. All of the concerns that have been presented at this meeting have been discussed at previous meetings.

**#18. Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meetings Act Tex. GOV'T CODE 551.074 – to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline and or dismissal of a public officer or employee; interview potential Reserve Officer Victor Miles and to discuss rescinding the motion to hire Reserve Officer Rehan Ahmed.**

Council went into closed executive session at 6:28 P.M.

**#19. Reconvene and take possible action**

Council reconvened back into open session at 6:40 P.M.

The motion to hire Reserve Officer Victor Miles contingent upon a 90-day probation and to rescind the motion to hire Reserve Officer Rehan Ahmed was made by Councilman Garner. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion carried.

**#20. Mayor's comments on infrastructure, city budget and grant opportunities**

The Mayor announced that the support documents for the grant application to aid in the new sewer treatment plant have been submitted.

**#21. Item of Community Interest – (Hear announcements concerning community interest from the Mayor, Councilmembers and City staff for which no action will be discussed or taken.)**

The Mayor announced that the Court Clerk, Cassandra Stewart's birthday was the day before.

**#22. Adjourn**

The motion to adjourn was made at 6:42 P.M. by Councilman Garner. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, motion carried.