

THE CITY OF WOODBRANCH VILLAGE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 28, 2021

The City of Woodbranch Village council met in a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, January 28, 2021, 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 Jim Beard, Councilwoman Trisha Marie Cranney, Councilwoman Nancy Mulhern, Mayor Mike Tyson, Councilwoman Annette Dobson and Councilwoman Carey Porter. City Attorney Leonard Schneider was in attendance. City Secretary 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.

#4. Sign in Sheet

No names appeared on the sign in sheet.

CONSENT AGENDA

#5. Approve Minutes from the December 17, 2020 – Special Meeting

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

#6. Approve Financial Statement General Fund – December 2020

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

#7. Approve Financial Statement Water & Sewer Fund – December 2020

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

#8. Approve Financial Statement Debt Service – December 2020

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

#9. Approve Bills for the General Fund – January 2021

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

#10. Approve Bills for the Water & Sewer Fund – January 2021

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

#11. Approve Bills for the Debt Service Fund – January 2021

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

#12. Approve the Court Activity Report – December 2020

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

#13. Approve the Police Activity Report – December 2020

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

#14. Road & Ditch, Bureau Veritas & Storm Water Management Report – December 2020

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

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

#15. Operator's Report – November 2020

Copies of this report are on file in the City Secretary's office. The motion to approve the report, as submitted, was made by Councilwoman Mulhern. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Porter, motion carried.

#16. Consider, discuss and/or take possible action for forgiveness of, or a payment plan for, an excessive water usage bill due to a water leak at 107 White Oak

No action was taken on this item.

#17. Consider, discuss and/or take possible action on approving Ordinance 301-2021 – an ordinance declining to approve the change in rates requested in Entergy Texas, Inc.’s Statement of Intent filed with the city on December 9, 2021 – Brian Garcia, CSM available for questions and to introduce himself to Mayor and City Council

The motion to approve the ordinance was made by Councilwoman Porter. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cranney, motion carried.

#18. Consider, discuss and/or take possible action on the report of findings, from a residential building code inspector, licensed by the State of Texas, for the substantial damage determination appeal presented by John Mabry for his property at 160 Linnwood

The motion to go in to closed executive session at 7:26 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Cranney. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mulhern, motion carried.

Council went to closed executive session at 7:26 p.m.

Council reconvened in to open session at 7:35 p.m.

No action was taken on item #18 to grant or deny the variance. This item will appear on the February regular meeting agenda for further action.

#19. Consider, discuss and/or take possible action on the variance request, submitted by Pat Everett, to Deed Restrictions for Section 4 – requiring all accessory buildings be constructed of brick or brick veneer or masonry exterior construction

The motion to deny the variance was made by Councilman Beard. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cranney, motion carried.

#20. Consider, discuss and/or take possible action on the approval of unpermitted construction done at 336 Gallant Fox Way and accept the Building Inspector’s report of inability to inspect

The motion to accept the Building Inspector’s report was made by Councilwoman Mulhern. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cranney, motion carried.

#21. Consider, discuss and/or take possible action on the variance request to Section VI (D) of Ordinance 206 – submitted by Lolita Pentecost to allow for the construction of an accessory building on an adjacent lot to her primary residence without first having a residence constructed on the lot

The motion to deny the variance was made by Councilwoman Cranney. The motion was seconded by Councilman Beard, motion carried.

#22. Regenia Liles – resident would like to address council regarding permit to build or add on

No action was taken on this item.

#23. Consider, discuss and/or take possible action on Resolution 0128-2021 – a resolution approving the submission of a Technology & Mobility grant application to the Office of the Governor

The motion to approve the resolution was made by Councilwoman Porter. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mulhern, motion carried.

#24. Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meetings Act TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.074 – To discuss personnel matters –

The executive session was cancelled.

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

#25. Reconvene and take action

The executive session was cancelled.

#26. 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.)

City Secretary Charlotte Smith gave updated information regarding outstanding grant applications.

No other announcements were made.

#27. Adjourn

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. was made by Councilman Beaird. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Porter, motion carried.