

**Village of Point Venture
Village Council Meeting
Monday February 2, 2004 7:30 P.M.
Venture Room at Point Venture
555 Venture Boulevard S.
Point Venture, Texas**

MINUTES

- A. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 7:35 P.M.
- B. Roll Call** – Mayor Ratfield acknowledged that all Council Members Strong, Thomas, Nesheim, Hruby and Stuart were present.
- C. Consent Agenda:** All items listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Village Council and will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will then be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.
- 1. Approval of Minutes – January 5, 2004 Village Council Meeting**
A motion was made by Nesheim and seconded by Hruby to approve the minutes with a change in wording from speed calming device to speed monitoring device. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.
- D. Administrative Reports**
- 1. Village Treasurer Report** – Hruby reported the Village having \$172,025 in the bank. Of that figure \$66,332 is in the operating account and \$105,693 is in the Money Market account. Hruby stated there has been a \$39,621 debt collection so far.
- 2. Animal Control Officer Report** – Stuart reported having a chart showing rabies by county with Lee and Fayette counties having the most cases of rabid skunks. Stuart reported that Nancy Leathers is still catching feral cats to spay and neuter. She has caught 6 to 8. There have been 57 registrations out of 108 from last year. Nesheim reported that P.A.W.S. had grant money to spay and neuter for \$40 or \$50 instead of \$90. Strong reported citizens refusing to register their animals and that a 2nd letter was being sent out. There is talk of sending out a stronger letter. Stuart reported that there would be a one day conference on cruelty to animals and that he would like to attend. Nesheim made a motion to resolve to pay Stuarts expenses to attend this conference. Thomas seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.
- 2. Mayor's Report** - Ratfield reported that Point Venture's new e-mail address was vopv@hotmail.com and will be appearing in the new directory soon. Ratfield reported having worked with former mayor Hickman on getting rid of hazardous waste before Hickman left on vacation and will be working with him again on his return. Ratfield reported having received an invitation from Governor Perry inviting this city and all cities to participate in the Texas Roundup.
- D. Citizen Inquiry:** In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council is prohibited from acting on or discussing (other than factual responses to specific questions) any items brought before them that are not on the agenda.
- F. General Business and Action Items:**

1. Old Business

- a. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Restaurant and Swimming Pool Ordinance**
After general discussion it was decided that Strong along with Nesheim would look into all that needs to be done regarding inspections and come back to the next meeting with the findings.
- b. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Maintenance Right of Ways** – The City Attorney suggested accepting the roads according to the Plat maps. Thomas made a motion to assume responsibility for the roads and easements designated for public usage except for parking areas and esplanade. Nesheim seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 4 – 1 with Stuart opposing.
- c. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Capital Metro Funds** – Ratfield reported that the contract was not back yet but that it should be received soon.
- d. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Speed Limit Compliance** – Ratfield reported that the representative from the county could not attend and that we should proceed with Step 1 and Step 2 measures. Strong stated that he had put out a letter asking people to comply with the speed limits. There was general discussion about placing a 3-way stop sign at Venture Blvd. and Venture Dr.
- e. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding The Switching of Bank Institutions** – This item was taken out of order. Hruby stated that after attending the seminar he discovered that everything was being done wrong. He stated that we need a banking depository agreement and an investment policy for the village. The new Security State Bank and Trust was the only bank that responded to our RFP. Hruby stated that if we have a depository agreement they will pledge 102% of the village's money. After general discussion Nesheim made a motion to move forward with changing our accounts to Security State Bank and Trust and appoint Hruby to work out the details about the type of account we should have. Stuart seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.
- f. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Appointment of an “ Emergency Management Coordinator”**. – This item was taken out of order. Stuart recommended appointing Chief Jesse Cecil as the Emergency Management Coordinator. Chief Cecil discussed and responded to questions about all that was needed to implement an Emergency Management Plan. It was suggested that an ordinance be created to implement a plan. He explained that during an emergency that encompassed this area and surrounding areas that he would be everywhere and not be able to focus his attention on Point Venture. Joe Putnam of 704 Augusta Circle stated that someone other than Chief Cecil should be named Emergency Management Coordinator because Chief Cecil will be busy all over. Putnam was asked if he would be interested in the job and he said that he would take it on with Chief Cecil's help and support. Nesheim made a motion to adopt a resolution appointing Joe Putnam as EMC with Ratfield as Director. Stuart seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0. Chief Cecil stated that Point Ventures score in regards to insurance was at 9 but should be lowered to 7. City officials and people from the water departments of Lago Vista and Point Venture need to meet and discuss issues, He stated that more volunteers were needed in Point Venture and his goal was to have 4. There was discussion about people refusing to put their address on

their houses. Strong stated that the Fire Code requires people to have numbers on their houses.

2. New Business

- a. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Short Term Lease Ordinance** – This item was tabled after discussion regarding the fact that there is a provision in the deed restrictions addressing this situation. The P.O.A. has not received sufficient complaints to warrant the addressing of the situation.

F. Adjournment – Nesheim made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Strong seconded the motion and a vote was taken. The motion carried 5 – 0. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

Bill Ratfield, Mayor
Point Venture, Texas

ATTEST:

Jeanine Oglesby, Village Secretary