

**Village of Point Venture  
Village Council Meeting  
Monday November 1, 2004 7:30 P.M.  
Venture Room at Point Venture  
Point Venture, Texas**

**MINUTES**

- A. Call to Order** – Mayor Ratfield called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.
- B. Roll Call** – Mayor Ratfield acknowledged that 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 – October 4, 2004 Village Council Meeting** – A motion was made by Nesheim and seconded by Thomas to approve the minutes as amended of the October 4, 2004 Village Council Meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.
- D. Administrative Reports**
1. **Village Treasurers Report** – Hruby reported there being \$201,385 in the bank and in that figure, \$156,369 was in the MM account and \$45, 015 was in the operating account. Hruby stated the income for the month to be \$8,048 and that the final report for 2003/2004 is complete. Hruby reported the property value figure reported by the Tax Office was \$94,343,384 which results in taxes of \$37,737.41. Hruby further stated that at least \$37,000 should be collected and 760.02 is delinquent for 2001,2002, and 2003.
2. **Animal Control Officer Report** – Stuart reported 18 incidents for the month of October. After a brief report on the incidents Stuart stated that there was no classification of particular dog breeds (such as pit bulls) as dangerous dogs in the animal control ordinance. He questioned whether Point Venture should discourage ownership of this breed of dog in Point Venture. Discussion followed. Stuart reported on the man with a bees nest in his boat. Nesheim reported on discussions he has had with Stuart as to all that is expected of the Animal Control Officer and perhaps defining what they will or will not do. Nesheim reported that PAWS, through their Spay/Neuter Program, 1941 cats and dogs have been spayed and neutered in the Point Venture, Lago Vista, Marble Falls, and Jonestown area.
3. **Emergency Management Coordinator Report** – No Report but Stuart reported a fire and the quick response by the fire department.
4. **Special Projects Manager Report** – Hickman reported that the order for mowing & drainage repairs has been out for 10 days now but due to weather conditions has not been started. Hickman reported that there had not been satisfactory results on the crack sealing done last year. Hickman has put in a call to Commissioner Boatright to act on this problem. Hickman reported that he has a meeting set up with the expert on impact fees November 10<sup>th</sup>. Hickman stated Roadrunner has been in place for some time now and that renovations to the Library are complete now so that he has contacted an expert to help with the necessary equipment to make Roadrunner active on both sides of the wall. He is still looking for a chairperson to help with education part of Roadrunner and scheduling helpers. It would be

helpful to have Laptops. Hickman further reported that the dumpster will arrive Thursday for litter pick up on Saturday November 6, 2004 at the park. Thomas stated that there will be hot dogs served at 11:00 for all the workers. Hickman stated that the dumpster or dumpsters will be there about a week for appropriated litter. No batteries, paint or toxic materials are allowed. Following this project, the village will be enforcing the litter ordinance more vigorously. Hickman reported that the Floodplain Administrator advised him that the money spent with the Texas Colorado River Floodplain Coalition has resulted in getting approval for the Hazard Mitigation Program. Hickman gave a brief report on the driving conditions in Sicily comparing them to Point Venture and what could be the future for Point Venture without speed calming devices.

5. **Mayor's Report** – Ratfield reported that Courtney Waters had reapproached the village about coming on board to pick up on some of this activity. Ratfield stated that The Cap Metro check has not arrived yet but should arrive in the next couple of months. There was discussion on the date of swearing in the candidates and the date decided upon is November 22, 2004 at 10:00 in the village office. Ratfield then presented Jim Strong the outgoing council member with a proclamation on his years of service to his community. Hickman expressed his gratitude to Strong for the years of serving the village and the community. Strong gave a brief summary of his years serving the village and community and his appreciation of the accomplishments and efforts by the first mayor and the present mayor to do as little as possible so as not to intrude on peoples lives.

E. **Citizen Inquiry** – There were no citizens wishing to speak.

F. **General Business and Action Items:**

1. **Old Business**

- a. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Point Venture Flag** – Thomas reported that she has two designs and two more coming. Her report will have to wait until next meeting. No motion was made and will be addressed at the next meeting.
- b. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Amendment of the Building Ordinance Requiring the Licensing of Electricians and Plumbers** – Following general discussion it was decided that section 5 needed modifying and the mechanical and air condition should be added to this ordinance. Mayor Ratfield will get in touch with the attorney.
- c. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Amendment to Building Ordinance Requiring that a Bond be Posted with New House Permits** - Tabled
- d. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Amendment to the Building Ordinance that Construction Begin within 90 Days of Issuance of a Building Permit and that Construction be Completed within One Year. Extensions be Granted Under Special Circumstances** – Following discussion and Hickman explaining the purpose of the ordinance Strong made a motion to adopt the amended ordinance, Nesheim seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed 5 – 0 to adopt the ordinance amending the building ordinance that construction begin within 90 days of issuance of a building permit and that construction be completed within one year. Extensions granted under special circumstances. (Ordinance No. 2004-11-01).

**2. New Business**

- a. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Contracting Law Enforcement to Enforce Traffic Laws** – Following discussion Nesheim made a motion to enact a resolution activating the Interlocal agreement with Travis County for 20hrs.a month. Thomas seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0. (Resolution No. R2004-11-02).
- b. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Modification of the Building Commission Ordinance** – After general discussion Hickman recommended cleaning up and making necessary changes to the ordinance before taking any action on this ordinance.

**F. Adjournment**

Nesheim made a motion to adjourn and Hruby seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

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Bill Ratfield, Mayor  
Village of Point Venture, Texas

**ATTEST:**

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Jeanine Oglesby, Village Secretary