

**Village of Point Venture
Village Council Meeting
Monday May2, 2005 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 7:30 P.M.
- B. Roll Call** – Mayor Ratfield acknowledged that all Council Members Leathers, 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.

Approval of Minutes April 4, 2005 Village Council Meeting

A motion was made by Nesheim and seconded by Thomas to approve the minutes. A vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.

D. Administrative Reports

- 1. Treasurers Report** – Hruby reported a balance of \$236,840.00 in the bank, of that \$207,062 is in the Money Market Account and \$29,777.00 in checking. Hruby reported total income for the year as \$79,417.00 and expenses to date of \$30,913.00, leaving a net income of \$43,503.00. Hruby stated most of the property taxes are in and income for the rest of the year will be from sales tax, beverage tax, and franchise tax.
 - 2. Animal Control Officer Report** – Stuart reported 10 incidents for the month of April. Stuart thanked Nesheim for filling in for him while he was out of town. Nesheim stated that there were 15 still outstanding registrations that have not been turned in.
 - 3. Emergency Management Coordinator Report** – No Report
 - 4. Deputy Sheriff's Report** – Deputy Givens reported that Deputy Miller had issued 24 citations, 10 of which were running the stop sign. There were 10 warnings issued. Deputy Givens stated that the grace period is over and let their friends and neighbors know.
 - 5. Project Managers Report** – Hickman stated that Venture Dr. and Venture Blvd. was a dangerous intersection and that the deputies had observed 8 near misses there. Hickman suggested adding this problem to a future agenda. Hickman reported that the mowing was completed and weed killing would be done by volunteers as it had been done in the past. Hickman reported talking with Travis County about resurfacing and the figures that came in were \$114,000.00 at first but now had risen to \$177,000. The increase was due to rising fuel costs. Hickman stated that they would continue to look at this as well as having an engineer to look at it as well. Cost for an engineer would be around \$400.00. Hickman reported that Cap Metro funds could be counted on for several years to come. Hickman reported that Laurie Baisdon had adjusted her hours so as to have the city office manned on a daily basis. Hickman discussed the Valley Hill closing and erosion.
 - 6. Mayors Report-** Ratfield reported that on April 9th around 9:00 P.M. he received a call from an individual complaining of effluent overflowing from the holding tank. This was reported to WCID and they stated that a valve from the wet weather storage tank was left on and released 200,000 gal. Ratfield stated that WCID is working on constant flow through individuals property. Ratfield has not been made aware of the findings yet.
- E. 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: - Colleen Hickman of 116 Lakefront Dr. announced the coming 4th of July activities and asked for volunteers. There will be a parade, hot dog lunch and games for the children.

F. General Business and Action Items:

1. Old Business

a. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Abolition of WCID and Combining it with the Village – After opening remarks by Ratfield stating that it was time to put in place the combination of city and WCID to reduce costs and the excessive amount of governing bodies. Stuart read the WCID/Village Merger Feasibility Study/Fact-findings report. After extensive discussion and questions from council members and individuals Stuart made a motion to convert the city from Type B to Type A city government and seconded by Thomas.

A vote was taken and the motion carried 4 to 1. A motion was made by Stuart to adopt the draft ordinance submitted by the Mayor at the January,2005 meeting with minor error corrections and an effective date of May 3, 2005. That motion stated, An ordinance of The Village of Point Venture, Texas, adopting section 43.075 Texas Local Government Code, regarding a municipality's authority to abolish a water-related special district that has become a part of the municipality, and declaring the intent of the Village of Point Venture to abolish and take over the property and assets of Travis County Water Control and all the functions of the District, including the provision of services, providing a date for such abolition and assumption, providing for repeal of the conflicting ordinances and severability Thomas seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion failed 3 – 2 (this action required a minimum 4 – 1 vote). After more discussion, Leathers made a motion to rescind the motion to change from Type B city government to Type A city government. Nesheim seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion failed 2 for and 3 opposed.

F. Adjournment – Thomas made a motion to adjourn and Nesheim seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 P.M.

Bill Ratfield, Mayor
Village of Point Venture

ATTEST:

Jeanine Oglesby, Village Secretary