

**Village of Point Venture
Village Council Meeting
Monday, October 3, 2005 7:30 P.M.
Venture Room at Point Venture
555 Venture Blvd. S.
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 Leathers, Thomas, Nesheim, Hruby, and Stuart were present.**
- C. Consent Agenda**
- 1. Approval of Minutes – September 6, 2005 Public Hearing – Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes, Nesheim seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.**
 - 2. Approval of Minutes – September 6, Village Council Meeting – Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes, Leathers seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.**
 - 3. Approval of Minutes – September 19, 2005 Public Hearing – Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes, Leathers seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.**
 - 4. Approval of Minutes – September 19, 2005 Village Council Meeting – Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes, Nesheim seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0.**
- D. Administrative Reports**
- 1. PEC Report – Bob Escobedo of Pedernales Electric Cooperative presented the council with the quarterly franchise check. Escobedo presented information on speakers and programs, helpful to all on savings of both life and electricity costs, available through PEC.**
 - 2. Deane Armstrong, President of ESD #7 along with Linda Bottoms, Chief Jesse Cecil, and Chief Raymond Tennison spoke to council of the many advantages of merging ESD #1 and ESD #7 and asked the council to adopt a resolution supporting the merger. Armstrong assured everyone that there would be no tax increase. General discussion and questions followed.**
 - 3. Animal Control Report – Stuart thanked Nesheim for standing in for him during his absence. Stuart noted that Lago Vista Police Department was**

not needed. There had been only one incident reported for the month of September. Stuart reported that the class the new ACO was to attend had been canceled due to the Hurricanes, but a new class will be going November 15th. Nesheim reported that one cat had been spayed or neutered and returned to its environment.

- 4. Treasurer's Report - Hruby reported a balance of \$262,198 of which \$240,198 is in the Money Market account and \$21,211 is in the operating account. Hruby will be transferring \$100,000 out of the Money Market account to a CD. Hruby reported net income for the year as being \$54,611, income as being \$122,204 and expenses were \$67,592. Hruby explained that all figures were not in and the totals will likely change by a small amount.**
- 5. Emergency Management Report – Putman stated that the resolution adopting the support of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) needs to be put on the next agenda. Putman also stated that a committee has been formed to deal with emergency preparedness and invited anyone who would be interested to join the committee. Their purpose will be to develop some standard operating procedures (SOP'S)**
- 6. Building Commission Report – No report.**
- 7. Project Manager's Report – Hickman reported meeting with Deputy Givens and that Givens reported they were still seeing stop sign violations. He's also seeing unlicensed drivers in golf carts. Hickman reported that mowing had been done week before last and will most likely be done again next week. Hickman also reported that the city had been dealing with litter violations. Nesheim inquired as to the legality of all terrain vehicles and golf carts using the streets. Putman explained that ATV's are illegal and golf carts are not illegal as long as they were within two miles of the golf course.**
- 8. Mayor's Report – Ratfield introduced Kevin Sheffer, Russell Andrews, Jim Hawkins, and Mark Baker as candidates for Mayor and Councilman. Ratfield reminded the citizens that election day is November 8th. Early Voting begins October 24th thru November 1st.**

E. Citizens Inquiry –

- 1. Terry Hickman of 116 Lakefront Dr. announced the "Meet the Candidates Night", November 17th at 7:00 P.M. to be held in the Club Room in Point Venture.**
- 2. Harry Filbey stated regarding future planning that at the first planning meeting that the roll of the council should be limited to health and safety issues. Filbey asked that ordinance No.'s 2003-07-01, 2003-12-01**

and 2004-12-03 be repealed. Filbey stated that he does not agree with codifying deed restrictions and he doesn't feel the need for additional fees or staffing. Filbey stated that he thought the P.O.A. should get back to the business of taking the deed restrictions as implicitly stated. Filbey reminded all those not registered to vote to do so.

F. General Business and Action Items:

Old Business

- 1. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding City Planning Initiative (Including city services, ordinances and staffing) – Nesheim presented the council with a list of things that other cities have done and didn't suggest that the city do all the things on the list but take a look at it and see what might work for Point Venture. After general discussion it was decided to continue with planning discussions.**

New Business

- 1. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Increasing Related Permit Fees and Adding the Requirement of Obtaining Permits and Fees for Remodeling Projects – Hrubby stated that there has been a lot of construction showing about 30 – 35 houses per year. The ACC or BC is spending a lot of money on FEMA fees and building inspections and so far this year \$2500 has been spent on ten properties. Hrubby feels that some sort of fee should be initiated to help defray the costs of these expenses. After general discussion it was decided to go ahead with a draft ordinance for permit fees for a future meeting.**

G. Adjournment – Hrubby made a motion to adjourn, Leathers seconded, a vote was taken and the motion carried 5 – 0. The meeting adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

Bill Ratfield, Mayor, Point Venture, Texas

ATTEST:

Jeanine Oglesby, Village Secretary