

**Village of Point Venture
Village Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 10, 2007 @ 6:30 PM
Venture Room at Point Venture
555 Venture Blvd. S.
Point Venture, Texas**

MINUTES

A. Call to Order Mayor Sheffer called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

B. Roll Call Village Secretary Chance Chatham called roll. Present was; Mayor Sheffer, Council members Bob Adolph, Ed Stuart, and Jim Hawkins. Absent was; Council members Ron Hruby and Mike Leathers.

- 1. Consider and take Action on Resolution Adopting Village of Point Venture Investment Policy.** Investment policy was approved and resolution was presented by Attorney Roger Gordon and signed by Mayor Sheffer
- 2. Consider and take Action on request for release of The Vizcaya Project from the ETJ of The Village of Point Venture.** Attorney Kris Kasper was present at the Council meeting along with the Village of Point Venture's attorney Roger Gordon. Attorney Kris Kasper representing the development inside the ETJ limits of Point Venture is requesting the release of the ETJ across the Lake from Point Venture for a million dollar investment project. Point Venture's attorney Roger Gordon explains to the Council and residents present that the release of the ETJ was in the best interest of The Village of Point Venture. This development will consist of very high end homes along with a marina. Point Ventures attorney explains to the Council that if the EJT is not released that the Village will be responsible for the supply of utilities for this project. Councilman Ed Stuart raised questions regarding any quid pro quo from Vizcaya for giving up the ETJ. Vizcaya's attorney offered none. The Council voted three to zero to pass the release. The release of the ETJ was granted and approved.
- 3. Discussion and possible action on PEC.** Michael Vollmer presented the Village with a franchise payment of \$5,144.54. This amount represents two percent of the gross revenue from the sale of electric power and energy for the billing period June 26, 2007 through September 25, 2007. Mayor Sheffer thanks PEC for all their hard work for The Village as his term will expire this year. PEC also announced that they now have a new office in the Oakhill area.

C. Consent Agenda: All items under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Village Council and will be enacted on 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 the September 10, 2007 minutes.** – Jim Hawkins made a motioned to approve minutes of September 10, 2007, Bob Adolph second the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

D. Administrative Reports

- 1. Emergency Management Report** – Gary Robinson with the Emergency Management Program will be retiring from this position on December 3rd, 2007. Council member Stuart asked Council about the position when Gary Robinson leave Emergency Management. Mayor Sheffer will phone Gary Robinson about his position, in the mean time there is someone assisting with this position.
- 2. Treasurer's Report** - Kevin Sheffer reports \$345,061.64 total money in the bank, \$209,769.35 in CD, \$100,200.62 in Money Market, \$35,091.67 in operating fund.
- 3. Animal Control Report** – Ed Stuart thanked Richard Welcher with the WCID for being the acting ACO while he was on vacation. There were a total of 5 animals buried in the village, one of which was a cat that died shortly after being picked up. One pit bull owner warned about the leash law. The 2008 dog registration tags have been ordered and should be available in December for the year 2008 along with registration forms. The village ordinance governs the renewing of dog tags annually to ensure rabies control. Council member Stuart thanks Alan Hergert for his help and programming work. We are currently trying to secure "mutt mitts" for the residents to use in the park. New laws are being researched to see how they are to be implemented in Point Venture.
- 4. Fire Department Report** – In the North Lake Travis area 80% of the calls were EMS, 20% of the calls were everything else, 6-7 of these calls were fire calls. Maria Allred signed up for army medic and has passed the EMT test. County Commissioners appoint members to Fire Commission.

5. Building Commission Report – Bob Adolph would like to move the BC back to the WCID office. Chance Chatham will hire a new person for the BC & ACC. In the mean time Bob Adolph will take care of it and teach Chance what he is doing, so that she will be able to train the new person.

6. Floodplain Administrator's Report – Mike Leather was not present, no report for the floodplain administration.

7. Public Works Report – Bob reports that the contract for the guard rail on Venture Drive at Lakeland Circle and Whispering Hollow was issued and the actual cost was less than anticipated. End faces were added and grass was planted to the repair work to the drainage ditch on Lakeland Drive and on Whispering Hollow. All of the drainage improvements on Valley Hill Drive have been completed. The chip seal has been completed on Summit Ridge and Champion Circle. The total 2007 Right of Way repairs are 95% complete and the cost to the Village is approx. \$18K well under the \$24K approved. WCID did an excellent job cleaning up the all the tree trimmings by the water tower. The lions club is working on cleaning up all the weeds between the asphalt and the ribbon curb. There will be a clean-up day Saturday the 20th to complete this task and also pick up debris alongside the road. Cap Metro – BGT program will be funded for FY2008, not sure for how much yet. Bob has asked if we could use our road project for 2010 for this, he is still awaiting an answer.

8. Sheriff's Department Report – Jim Hawkins is asking the council to consider taking down the zero tolerance signs. Rich Shinn commented that the signs aren't helping; maybe the council should consider more law enforcement. Council decided to ask Richard Welcher with the WCID to take down the signs.

9. Mayor's Report – Mayor Sheffer reports that there is one more meeting before the election. The meeting date is scheduled for November 5th. There will no election this year for The Village, candidates are unopposed for the positions that will open. Two council and the mayor's position will be filled. A cancellation of election will be posted in all regular posting location in The Village and at the Lago Vista High School. New members of the Council and Mayor will take office on December 3, 2007. This will also be repeated under Old Business #7.

- E. Citizens 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.** Bob Helton speaks on the merger between The Village and the WCID. Asking that more information be brought in and considered before this action is taken. Council member Bob Adolph suggest a committee to be formed to gather information on this subject before action is taken. Bob Helton agrees along with the Council. This has been tabled for a future Council meeting.

F. General Business and Action Items:

Old Business

1. Discussion only on WCID and City merge – Proposing that there is a committee set up of 4 people, 2 from the Village Council and 2 from the WCID Board to review the pros and cons or merging the WCIG with the Village of Point Venture.

2. Discussion and Possible action on the Village / WCID office space. – The PV POA committee has approved leasing 841 sq.ft. to the Village for \$.30/sq.ft. on a five year lease. The Village would be responsible for the lease hold improvements and the PV POA will pick up the cost for the exterior upgrades. Current estimated cost of the leasehold improvements is approximately \$23K. Need approval to move ahead with the lease and the upgrades. Jim Hawkins made a motioned Village/WCID office space, Bob Adolph second the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Council will now ask to be put on the WCID agenda to discuss this matter.

3. Discussion and Possible action on stop signs and traffic control at Venture and South Venture. – Sign is ready to be picked up. The sign will read: Through traffic does not stop. A copy of the traffic control report will be sent to Gwen Kale as she made the original request.

4. Discussion and Possible action for procedures on Court in Point Venture. – This has been tabled for a future meeting.

5. Discussion and Possible action on items still opened on past agendas. – These items have been completed and removed from the agenda.

6. Discussion regarding Point Venture's responsibility on the 2010 US Census. Training classes are in process for the Village Secretary Chance Chatham to attend. Tabled for another council meeting as the time nears the year 2008/2009.

7. Discussion and action on the cancellation of the election. – No candidates are opposing. Bob Adolph made a motioned to cancel the 2007 election, Jim Hawkins second the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Secretary Chance Chatham will post notice of cancellation at the regular posting places in Point Venture: The WCID office, the Golf Course, the POA and at the Lago Vista High School on November 6, 2007.

New Business

1. Discussion and possible action on culvert drainage on private property. – The attorney advised the Council that we aren't responsible for this request however we can do it for good will providing that this does not cause conflict with the Village. The home owner bought the property as is and understood that this may be the results. There is no easement; therefore it is not the city's responsibility. The council is asking the attorney to draft a letter stating this in order to send on to property owners.

G. Adjournment Council member Jim Hawkins made a motion to adjourn, Bob Adolph second the motion. All in favor. Motion carried meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm.

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. The Village Council for the Village of Point Venture reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.086 (Economic Development).