

**Village of Point Venture  
Village Council Meeting  
Monday September 8, 2008 @ 6:30 PM  
MINUTES**

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

**B. Roll Call.** Village Secretary Chance Chatham called roll. Members present; Mayor Rich Shinn, Mayor ProTem Bob Adolph, Treasurer Ron Hruby, Councilmen Ed Stuart, Bob Helton and Jeff Warneke. Absent; None.

**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 August 4, 2008 minutes. Mayor ProTem Adolph made a motion to approve the August minutes, Treasurer Hruby second the motion. All in favor – motion carried, minutes approved.

2. Approval of the Budget / Tax meeting August 21, 2008 minutes. Both regular meeting minutes and the budget/tax meeting minutes were approved by one motion.

**D. Administrative Reports**

1. **Sheriff's Report.** Councilman Helton reported that three windows in The Village were shot at with bb guns. Helton feels that this will slow down as the summer is coming to an end and that the vacationers are going home. He seems to think that these problems are not coming from the residents as much as outsiders. Sheriff's reported that there were nine moving violations and seven non moving violations.

2. **Emergency Management Report.** Councilman Warneke reported that there were no incidents to report. The EMC Committee has been scheduled for 9/17/08. Councilman Warneke thanked all the citizens that participated in the FEMA survey and reminds Council that September is National Preparedness Month. Annual review of Emergency Operations SOP is scheduled for review during next meeting, and they are currently reviewing the need for an Emergency Operations Center. Councilman Warneke also reminds Council and Mayor that the severe weather season is not over. Information on preparing for storms can be found on the Village web site at [vopv.org](http://vopv.org).

3. **Treasurer's Report.** Monies reported in the bank are; Security State Operating Account \$19,059.57, Security State Money Market \$26,987.69, Wachovia Bank Checking \$100.00, Certificates of Deposit – Security State (12 mos) @ 2.2% (Road fund) \$104,199.98, Security State (9 mos) @ 2.51% \$100,000.00. Total checking and savings \$250,347.24.

4. **Animal Control Report.** Councilman Stuart reports fourteen animal service incidents for the month of August. One dog was picked up and returned to the owner. A call was received from a resident on Southwind about two cats that were hung out on a fence. The WCID assisted in removing these cats and buried them. The WCID also assisted and buried three deer and one opossum. Councilman Stuart posted health notes to the community from Dr. Racht of Travis County.

5. **Fire Department Report.** The fire report showed that there were seventy one rescue & EMS calls, one hazardous condition, seven service calls, eighteen good intent calls, six false alarm calls, one severe weather & natural disaster calls and two special type calls. A reminder from Councilman Stuart that the grounds are still very dry to be careful with any type of fire grills etc.

6. **Building Commission Report.** Treasurer Hruby reported four permits were issued for the month of August. Two of these permits were for new homes; one was a no fee permit and one for a boat dock. There was one ordinance violation, three additions and remodels.

7. **Floodplain Administrator's Report.** Mike Leathers was not present. There was no report given for the floodplain just a reminder from the Mayor that the floodplain will increase as of September 22, 2008 to 722'.

8. **Public Works Report.** Mayor ProTem reported that all of CapMetro projects are now completed. All the required information has been sent and he is now waiting for their reply and has requested a visit for them to come to Point Venture. All the right of way areas have been improved and are being fertilized and additional seeding to help develop the grass over the winter months. Bids are being received to complete the wall out by the front gate in conjunction with the POA. Repairs are being made to two sections of our roads. The first is on Venture drive west of Mariners Point and the other is on Valley Hill. The cost will be approximately \$4000.00 and will be completed in about two weeks. The procedures for the dumpster have changed. You are now required to go into the WCID office and sign out for a key. The dumpster hours are from 8:00 am till 2:00 pm Monday thru Friday and still the first Saturday of the month. These rules on the dumpster were changed due to mis use of the dumpster. The crack sealing equipment has been reserved for mid October. The cost for the equipment and the material is \$7,424.00 and there should be more than enough material to do all the Village roads. The WCID will charge for the labor to do the project.

**9. Mayor's Report.** Mayor Shinn reported that there were no new applications for ballot on the City Council positions. The three positions opened were, Councilmember's: Ron Hruby, Ed Stuart and Bob Adolph. All three incumbents will remain in their position and will be sworn in at the December council meeting. Mayor Shinn was disappointed that no others were interested in running and hopes that next year there will be more residents interested in participating. Other item, a memo was received from City Attorneys office in regards to the homes on Valley Hill. These memos were dated 6-28-08 and were not received by the Mayor until 9-5-08.

**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. NO CITIZENS INQUIRY**

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

**G. Old Business**

**1. Discussion and Possible Action on Resolution Supporting the discontinuation of the diversion of transportation user revenues.** Councilman Warneke wanted time to look over this resolution, after doing so he still felt as if these funds were masking other revenues and that this may cause trouble later. Councilman Stuart also researched this item and felt that it could possibly take away from school funds. Mayor Shinn still felt this to be a resolution worth supporting. Treasurer Hruby made a motion to approve the resolution, Mayor ProTem Adolph second the motion. All in favor – motion carried.

**2. Discussion and Possible Action Discussion on the limits of authority for expend of Village resources.** This item was tabled.

**H. New Business**

**1. Discussion on hosting the Village web site.** This web site is being hosted by Mike Leathers who is a former Councilman. He has asked for this to be removed from his server and placed with in the Village personal in some manner. Councilman Warneke did some research on this and has a company in mind that is able to uninstall and reinstall on another server. Council agreed that this would be a better idea and therefore asked Councilman Warneke to proceed with the install of the web page out side of Mike Leathers server. Mayor ProTem asked if the Village Secretary and or the Assistant Village Secretary could do this. Councilman Warneke said yes and that he is able to train one or both for this addition to the office. The cost for this service is minimum, \$3.95 a month with a two year contract. The cost for set up would be a monthly fee of \$3.95 and an additional fee of \$3.95. Mayor Shinn agreed to this and asked Councilman Warneke to proceed.

**2. Discussion only on lowering the speed limit in the Village of Point Venture.** Councilman Warneke requested that the Mayor and Council consider lower the speed limit in The Village. Councilman Warneke feels that 30mph is to fast. The Village offers no side walks for the residents to walk with out being in the road. On several occasions speeding through the Village has taken place. This makes it very unsafe for children to play. Councilman Warneke quoted transportation code # 545.351 stated that The Village has the authority to change the speed limit. Councilman Warneke requested time to consult the City Attorney regarding this issue. Mayor Shinn approved his request. This item was tabled until further information is gathered.

**I. Adjournment.** Treasurer Hruby made a motion to adjourn, Councilman Warneke second the motion. All in favor – Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. Next Council meeting will be October 6, 2008 at 6:30 pm in the Venture Room.

**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).**

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Rich Shinn, Mayor Village of Point Venture

**ATTEST:**

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Chance Chatham, Village Secretary