

**Village of Point Venture
Village Council Meeting
Monday February 01, 2010 @ 6:30 PM
Venture Room at Point Venture
555 Venture Blvd. S.
Point Venture, Texas**

MINUTES

- A. Call to Order.** Mayor Shinn called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
- B. Roll Call.** Village Secretary called roll. Members present; Mayor Shinn, Treasurer Hruby, Councilman Helton, ProTem Adolph and Councilman Warneke. Members Absent; Councilman Sutton.
- C. Special outside Representatives.** Mayor Shinn introduced Mr. Gandolf Burrus with Grant Development Services. Mr. Burrus talked about his company, and how they have raised over 55 million for mostly water-waste water companies. They have funded museums, and projects with the Texas Parks and Wildlife. Mr. Burrus feels that they may be able to help the Village and or the WCID apply for grants. Mr. Burrus works with Johnson City, Llano and Blanco Counties, and Parks and Rec. He also has another grant project doing historic restorations. Mr. Burrus has asked to meet with Mayor Shinn, and Richard Welcher, Operations Manager for WCID to talked about and research what projects would benefit the Village.
- D. Consent Agenda:** All items under Consent Agenda are considered 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 December 7, 2009 regular meeting minutes and January 11, 2010 regular minutes.** Minutes have been tabled until next meeting.
- E. Administrative Reports**
1. **Sheriff's Report.** Helton reported that there have been several speeding tickets issued coming down the hill at the entrance of Point Venture where the speed limit has changed from 40 mph to 30 mph. There also have been tickets issued for running the stop sign at the gate. Councilman Jeff Warneke goes on record as saying he feels that Travis County Sheriff's should be inside the Village and not outside giving the tickets. ProTem Adolph feels like there needs to be more communication with the Sheriff's, and would like Kevin Sheffer with the POA Board to call a security meeting.
 2. **Emergency Management Report.** Councilman Warneke reports that he is encourage and excited that someone has expressed interest in the Emergency Management. Mr. Ed Stuart also let the Council know that the POA has a backup generator that maybe used in the Village as necessary.
 3. **Treasurer's Report.** Monies in the bank; Security State Money Market \$37,518.24, Security State Operating \$120,517.60, Certificates of Deposits (12months) @ 2.8% \$104,199.98.
 4. **Animal Control Report.** Twenty-five animal incidents for the month of January. Accomplished yearly dog registration process and registered 152 dogs as of January 1, 2010, there are still 23 dogs that have not been registered as of yet. Late charges now apply for those that have not registered their dogs other fines and fees may be applied as well. ProTem Adolph says in his opinion they need to be issued a summons if they are not coming in. There was (1) one dog bite incident to a person, the dog was quarantined at Lago Vista Animal Clinic. The total collected as of January 1, 2010 for the dog registration is \$795.00. Commissioner Huber called two Travis County Animal Control meetings, and ACO Stuart attended both. ACO Stuart has also volunteered for Legal Committee. ACO Stuart captured a bobcat, and released the bobcat in Balcones. ACO Stuart buried one cat and two deer. ACO Stuart also received complaint about dog litter in yards. ACO Stuart also reported that there were 234 confirmed cases of rabies for our area, and would like to see rabies vaccinations promoted. Councilman Warneke asked what are the gaps we need to close regarding Animal Control? Councilman Warneke stated that he would help. The deadline for Dog registration is February 1, 2010, and then he is going to start handing out citations. ACO Stuart would like to set one fee for next year's dog registration. The new fee would be set at \$5.00 per dog. ACO Stuart would also like to thank his wife for all her help. Resident Roy Ables also feels that it is time to start enforcing

these rules. Mayor Shinn says we will have a citation to give out as tickets. ACO Stuart talked about euthinization of animals.

5. **Fire Department Report.** Fireman Stuart reported that there was one house fire. Stuart will meet with the Engineer Vic Winter who is in the process of designing the slab for the Fire station. The slab is scheduled to be poured on March 1, 2010. Stuart thanked the Village, POA, WCID and community for all their help.
6. **Building Commission Report.** There were not any fee permits issued for the month of January, but did issue one no-fee permit. There were no new ordinances for the month of January. There are seven new homes being built. There are 15 FEMA Additions and Remodels, which is a combination of Townhomes, and houses. There are four homes replacing rotten wood on deck and painting exterior of home, one major remodeling.
7. **Floodplain Administrator's Report.** No report
8. **Public Works Report.** ProTem Adolph reported that the work is continuing on cleaning out culverts so that water will drain as originally planned. Once this is completed we will be able to see where any improvements will be required. ProTem Adolph is in the process of setting up a meeting to discuss aesthetic and safety improvements for the stretch of Venture Blvd South from Venture drive to the POA parking. Once a workable plan is achieved, I will bring it to the council for approval. We are targeting January 22, 2010 for the meeting. We have received three bids for the repair of our ribbon curbing. We will be awarding the project to the lowest bidder Edd Flukes. The project will cost be \$10,750.00 and is well below the budgeted amount of \$16,000.00, this is a savings of about \$2,000.00. We are able to get this work done at a more reasonable cost because of the slowness in the building trades. Other road projects should be in within the next month at that time, it will go to the Attorney and then out to bid, and it will included the drainage project.
9. **Mayor's Report.** No report

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. NONE

G. General Business and Action Items:

H. Old Business

1. **Discussion only on Parking with in the Village.** Greg Taylor POA Nothing in restrictions stating you cannot park vehicles on your yard or Right of Way, the ordinance does say that the vehicle does have to be serviceable; this becomes a civil citation and not a criminal citation. To prevent parking on your yard it would require that the Village adapted an ordinance stating this. Mr. Greg Taylor Manager of the POA has offered another way to approach the residence, and offer them another place to park their vehicles. Of course, Venture Blvd South will be approached differently. Mayor Shinn said he has no problem with people parking on the public right of way except for Venture. ProTem Adolph says that we should look into ordinance parking, but this is going to be time consuming. Councilman Warneke feels it needs a council member to take on this ordinance. Mr. Roy Ables said ask TML to send us 10 ordinances that we can review and look over and present to council for vote. ProTem Adolph feels this is something we should proceed with. Councilman Warneke feels that it needs to be addressed as well. Councilman Helton said he will get started on getting examples of different ordinances. This item was tabled.
2. **Discussion on Ordinance enforcement by TSCO.** Mayor Shinn had Secretary Chatham contact the Village Attorney with questions on how to handle violations. These violations can only be handled in Municipal Court. ProTem Adolph suggested that if we are going to continue with Travis County Sheriffs then we need to possibly set a meeting with them at that time have a description of the needs the Village has. He would also like to have the officers patrol more areas through out the Village. Councilman Helton volunteered to look into other cities that may have the same type of interlocal agreement with the Sheriffs office as the Village does. Mayor Shinn will have Secretary Chatham look further into the citations needed for the Village. This item is tabled.
3. **Discussion and possible action on ordinance to appoint a Code Enforcement Officer.** Pro Tem Adolph expressed the need of a Police Officer rather than a Code Enforcement Officer. Councilman Warneke felt this item should be tabled at this time in order to gather more information. Item was tabled.
4. **Discussion and possible action on double striping Venture Drive as a no passing zone.** ProTem Adolph discussed double lines (no passing zone) along Venture Blvd South. ProTem

Adolph talked about doing this project during the same time as the resurfacing of Venture Blvd. South would be taking place. Councilman Warneke made a motion for double lines along Venture Blvd South. Treasurer Hruby seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion was approved.

5. **Discussion and possible action on grant consultant.** After the presentation from Gaudolf Burrus, Mayor Shinn felt the Village has nothing to lose by allowing Mr. Burrus to look into the grants that maybe available for the Village. ProTem Adolph made a motion to approve consulting with the grant consultant Gandolf Burrus. Councilman Warneke seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passed.

I. New Business

1. **Discussion and possible action on fire station relocation and remodel of new building.**

A memo of understanding was presented to Council by the POA. This memo is only a draft for review for the Village Council, the WCID Board and the POA Board. The WCID is in process of gathering information and drawings on the move and remodeling of these two buildings. This in the end will save the WCID as well as the community money on the construction of the wet weather storage building. This memo will be sent to the WCID's Attorney Mr. Mike Willatt for review and reconstruction of the document if necessary. Once the review is completed by WCID Attorney it will be represented to the Village Council, the WCID Board and the POA Board for approval. Mr. Roy Ables suggested that a legal document be prepared and put into place before the pouring of the slab located at the entrance of the Village for the Fire Station that states the ownership of each piece of property. ProTem Adolph made a motion to accept WCID doing the move and remodeling of these two buildings. Councilman Warneke seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

J. Executive Session. NONE

K. Adjournment. Mayor Shinn adjourned the meeting at 8:49 pm.

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Rich Shinn, Mayor Village of Point Venture

ATTEST:

Chance Chatham

Chance Chatham, Village Secretary