



Village of Point Venture  
Village Council Meeting  
August 21, 2019 at 6:30 PM  
555 Venture Blvd. S.  
Point Venture, Texas

*"Partnership with the community. Foster community pride.  
Preserve and enhance the natural beauty of our environment"*

**Minutes**

**In Point Venture, Travis County, Texas, commencing on August 21, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m. To consider and act upon any lawful subject, which may come before it, including among others, the following:**

**A. Items Opening Meeting**

1. **Call to order** Mayor Love called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Pledge** Mayor Love led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call** Village Secretary Janice Huling called roll. Present were Mayor Love, Mayor Pro Tem Lance Clinton, Councilmember Dan Olson, Councilmember Stephen Perschler, and Councilmember Don Conyer. A quorum was present.

**4. 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 be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- a. Approval of Council Meetings
  1. Council Meeting July 24, 2019
  2. Special Called Council Meeting August 3, 2019.
  3. Closed Executive Session Meeting August 3, 2019.
  4. Council Called Budget Workshop August 14, 2019.
- b. Approval of budget adjustments for fiscal year 2018/2019, adjustments will not affect total income budget line nor the total expenses budget line.

Mayor Pro Tem Lance Clinton made a motion to approve consent agenda. Councilmember Donald Conyer seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

**B. Citizen Communications:** Not for items listed on this agenda. No deliberations with Council. Council may respond with factual information. There is a three (3) minute time limit on any communication.

Toni Carey of 164 Lakefront drive presented her current drainage issues, as well as the past history of this same issue with previous councils. Councilmember Perschler said this was the first time he had heard of her complaint and agreed to evaluate situation.

Penny Griffis of 18509 Champions Circle presented her views on the construction of a single family home at 200 Burning Tree blocking her views of the golf course and the lake. She asked where the 28' was measured from on the lot, and Cindy Clemons of the ACC answered that the measurement was taken from the highest point on the lot.

Renee Jordon passed out a copies of her letter and surveys of her property and her neighbor's property, along with the Harey Engineering report. She thanked the council for their willingness to address the drainage question on Peckham and Lakefront. She asked the council to accept the proposal and agreed to work in harmony with her neighbors and the council to solve the drainage issue.

Elvis Foster discussed his plans for a detached garage for his property. He asked how the new ordinance on outbuildings would affect his application to the ACC. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton said this topic would be discuss later in meeting.

### C. Order to Call an Election

Mayor Love read the Order of Election for Municipalities for the Village of Point Venture General Election for Mayor and two Councilmembers.

### D. Mayor's Report

Mayor Love introduced Tommy Low as the new village employee covering Animal Control and Public Works. Tommy said he was glad to be here and planned to do a great job for the village.

### E. Items to Consider

- 1. Discuss and take possible action on drainage remediation issues between Peckham and Lakefront Drive.** Councilmember Perschler discussed the Haney Engineering report and said that the Village should have done a better job in years past addressing this issue. He stated that he supported a solution based on the engineering report, but was concerned about the cost of \$75,000, but he felt the cost of inaction would be higher. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton brought up the drainage budget being set at \$50,000 and the need to take \$25,000 out of the road fund. Renee Jordan offered to allow the water pipe to come across their property through a variance, rather than along the existing easements if that would be more cost effective for the village. Councilmember Perschler decided to table drainage issue resolution until after talking to Haney Engineering on whether that change would affect the cost.
- 2. Discuss and take possible action to establish procedure and approve animal control weekend and after hours on-call per incident with compensation of \$30.** Mayor Love asked if council would agree to approve access to the freezer for dead animal pick up at the village offices for weekend/after hours dead animal pick up and payment of \$30 per incident. Councilmember Don Conyer agreed, but requested that the person be certified. Councilmember Olson said that the rabies vaccination would be necessary, but not the license. Councilmember Perschler agreed. Councilmember Olson made a motion to approve. Councilmember Perschler seconded the motion. Councilmember Conyer opposed due to no license required. Motion carried.
- 3. Discuss how to best handle short term rental issues and concerns, discuss requiring registration of short term rentals, discuss working with the townhouse association and POA with short term rental issues affecting the community.** Mayor Love talked of his Monday with the Mayor meeting where Sonny Ables shared the Townhome Association's new policy with STR owners, which requires the owner of a STR to register and pay a fee. Councilmember Perschler recommended taxation. Councilmember Conyer talked of an organization formed 4-5 years ago to address STR issues. Councilmember Olson stated that a nuisance ordinance would solve most of the issues, but registering the STRs would identify where they are located. He questioned the fee and where the money would go. Councilmember Perschler said he approved of registering STRs with the fee covering the cost of administration.
- 4. Discuss and take possible action to purchase cell phones for Village personnel.** Already purchased.
- 5. Discuss and take action to implement TSheets timekeeping app for Village employees, annual cost not to exceed \$500.** Councilmember Perschler motioned to approve. Councilmember Conyer seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton opposed. Motion passed.
- 6. Discuss and take possible action regarding part time field personnel (mowing/public works).** Councilmember Perschler motioned to approved. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton seconded. Motion carried.
- 7. Discuss and take possible action to repeal ordinance 2010-07-02 and replace with ordinance 2019-08-01 for official change to designation of Village Office to 411 Lohmans Ford Road, Point Venture, TX 78645.** Councilmember Perschler motioned to approved. Councilmember Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 8. Discuss and take possible action to repeal ordinance 2007-05-01 and replace with ordinance 2019-08-02 regarding construction and placement of outbuildings within the village.** Mayor Pro Tem Lance Clinton proposed to make three changes to the ordinance regarding: no homes built after 2007 could have an outbuilding, homes built before 2007 must an attachment or connection to the main dwell, and the square footage not to exceed 200 SQ. FT., or 10% of the main structure. He requested allowing all homes to be able to have an outbuilding, not to exceed 100 SQ. FT., and not needing to be attached to main dwelling. Resident Elvis Foster questioned the ordinance regarding garages. Councilmember Perschler motioned to approve. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed. Resident Roy Ables questioned whether this was a first reading.
- 9. Discuss ATS pricing increase for inspections and plan review services.** Mayor Love tabled for September meeting to review contract.
- 10. Discuss FY 2019/20 Budget.** Councilmember Olson discussed the fund balances of \$1,000,000, comparative to the last two years passed. Expenditures are \$426,641.07 YTD and revenue is \$645,388.87 YTD, which leaves the village with a good margin. Councilmember Olson stated the tax rate remains consistence at 12 cents. He proposed the new budget to bring in \$724K and to spend \$703K for next year. He reported that the assessed value of the village went down 2 million and explained that although there was much growth, the reduction was due to protestation of taxes from the residents.

11. **Propose FY 2019/20 Budget.** Councilmember Olson motioned to approve. Councilmember Conyer seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
12. **Propose FY 2019 Tax Rate** Councilmember Olson motioned a tax rate of 0.122. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton seconded. All approve. Motion passed.

#### F. Council Reports

1. **Treasurer Report** Councilmember Olson covered this topic.
2. **Building Department** No report given.
3. **Code Enforcement** Mayor Pro Tem Clinton stated the new changes in the ordinances would be posted on the website. He brought up an ordinance that provides wood chipping to residents who place their branches in the right-of-way, and questioned whether it was feasible without the village owning a chipper machine. He suggested leaving the ordinance in place, but adding during specific times, such as a severe drought. Resident asked about low lying limbs, and it was suggested she call the village office to report.
4. **Animal Control** Councilmember Conyer reported that in July, 3 dog owners were notified of violations. There were 3 dead deer, 3 dead fox, 1 squirrel, 1 rabbit, 1 skunk and 1 possum picked up and put in freezer. One fox was sent to Travis County for testing with no results back yet.
5. **Village Services** Councilmember Conyer reported that the village offices were being painted and thanked Peg Olson for selecting the colors.
6. **Public Works** Councilmember Conyer said that some of the street signs that were vandalized have been put up by Tommy Low. 40 residents utilized the CCC (dumpyard) today.
7. **Emergency Services** Bill Rooney advised that Point Venture went from a rating of 4 to 2 due to the new firehouse, which will save us on insurance. Councilmember Perschler stated the lower the number the better rating.
8. **Travis County Sheriff's Report** Mayor Pro Tem Clinton showed the new website on the big screen. 65 hours for July, which was an increase of 15 hours for the summer, which he said was much needed. Suspected burglar still at large, but a suspect has been identified. Two reckless drivers in the park and a fight were reported. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton suggested an ILA agreement with the Sheriff Department to enforce the ordinances.

#### G. Announcement / Closing comments

- a. Mayor Love passed out G-200 certificates and asked for any additional comments.

#### H. Adjournment

Councilmember Perschler made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton seconded the motion. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.

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Eric Love, Mayor - Village of Point Venture

Attest:

  
Janice Huling, Village Secretary