

LAKEWOOD VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 25, 2020

Council Members:

Dr. Mark Vargus, Mayor
Darrell West – Mayor Pro-Tem
Clint Bushong
Serena Lepley
Matt Bissonnette
Eric Farage

Town Staff:

Linda Asbell, TRMC, CMC – Town Secretary

SPECIAL SESSION - 7:00 P.M.

With a quorum of the Council Members present, Mayor Vargus called the Special Meeting of the Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 25, 2020 in the Council Chambers of the Lakewood Village Town Hall, 100 Highridge Drive, Lakewood Village, Texas.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

(Agenda Item A)

Mayor Vargus led the Pledge of Allegiance

VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:

(Agenda Item B)

No one requested to speak

REGULAR AGENDA:

(Agenda Item C)

**Discussion of Concrete Road Project
(Vargus)**

(Agenda Item C.1)

Mayor Vargus distributed an example of the results of the maturity meters which read the strength of the concrete. The report shows placement date and time, and PSI of concrete. The concrete reached strength required to open driveway after approximately eight hours. The flyers distributed by the contractor allows for 48 hours of curing time. The driveway opening was delayed after the first pour due to rain preventing Ed Bell from working. Another road pour is planned to take place on June 26. Mayor Vargus, and Councilman Bushong met with engineers

and Ed Bell representatives to establish a procedure to open driveways at the proper curing strength without a weather delay in the future. The town engineer will request maturity reports from Ed Bell to assure the driveways are opened as soon as possible. The pour on the east side of Stowe Lane will be completed on June 26, 2020. Mayor Vargus stated that citizens on the “pour” side of the street will need to place their trash and recycling carts across the street as soon as rebar is placed in front of their house. Trash will not be collected if it is not placed on the opposite side of the street. Mayor Vargus reported that someone reported that no one could walk on the newly poured concrete for 72 hours. The concrete will support a person walking on it after five to seven hours. Mayor Vargus reported that State standards have changed, and street signs are no longer permitted to have only capital letters. All street signs will be replaced to conform to the new standards. Mayor Vargus encouraged council and staff to direct citizens to the town website for accurate information. There was some discussion about driving lanes on Stowe as the second side is poured. Mayor Vargus reported that SuddenLink is installing new lines and expects to complete the installation before the end of the summer. AT&T has begun work but is not as far along as Suddenlink. Every Friday Ed Bell will be flattening bumps in the asphalt road caused by their trucks. Mayor Vargus reviewed a financial update on the road expenditures. Mayor Vargus reported the first payment to Ed Bell was made today and reviewed the current cash gap on funds available versus expenses expected. Mayor Vargus reported the cash gap should be reduced through savings due to the maturity meters and reduced need for engineer oversight.

**Discussion of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget
(Vargus)**

(Agenda Item C.2)

Mayor Vargus reviewed the current financial status of cash on hand, property taxes still owed to the town, and revenues expected by the end of the year. Mayor Vargus reported on the importance of reserve funds. Mayor Vargus reviewed the property tax revenues and the status of protests. Mayor Vargus reviewed the proposed tax rate for next fiscal year. Mayor Vargus reviewed his first proposal of a budget for line item numbers. There was some discussion about expenses due to the theft at the sewer plant and the funds expected to be received from the insurance claim of covered items. There was some discussion about general fund revenues in the current fiscal year. Mayor Vargus reviewed the expenses included in the Town Maintenance expense line. There was some discussion about the reserve funds in Rocky Point and the Municipal Development District. Mayor Vargus reported the Utility Fund has spent approximately \$115,000 on capital improvements during this fiscal year. There was some discussion about adjusting the minimum water bill to increase revenue and reducing capital improvement spending which will result in an increase to the reserve funds. There was some discussion about increasing the minimum water usage rate by \$5.00. There was some discussion about transitioning to remotely read water meters. A one inch remote read water meter will cost approximately \$400 completely installed. Replacing the water meters in The Shores would cost approximately \$40,000. A public hearing will be held on the budget.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

(Agenda Item D)

At 8:21 p.m. Mayor Vargus recessed into executive session in accordance with (1) § 551.071(2), Texas Government Code to wit: consultation with Town Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter to receive legal advice re: Development agreements, development and zoning standards; (2) § 551.072 Texas Government Code to wit: deliberations about real property regarding Sam Hill Ventures, and Sanctuary at Sunset Cove; and, (3) § 551.087 Texas Government Code to wit: Economic Development Negotiations regarding Sam Hill Ventures, and Sanctuary at Sunset Cove

RECONVENE:

(Agenda Item E)

Mayor Vargus reconvened the regular session at 9:32 p.m. No action was taken.

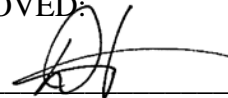
ADJOURNMENT

(Agenda Item F)

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilwoman Lepley and seconded by Councilman Bissonnette council voted five (5) “ayes” and no (0) “nays” to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Lakewood Village Town Council at 9:33 p.m. on Thursday June 25, 2020. The motion carried.

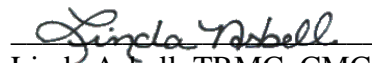
These minutes approved by the Lakewood Village Town Council on the 13th day of August 2020.

APPROVED:



Darrell West
MAYOR PRO-TEM

ATTEST:


Linda Asbell, TRMC, CMC
TOWN SECRETARY

