

# *City of Shoreacres*

## **MINUTES OF MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the  
**City Council**  
The City of Shoreacres, Texas held on.  
**Monday, October 14, 2024**

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL: Members Present and Absent**

- 1.1 Mayor Jennings, Mayor Pro-Tem McKown, Alderwoman Ramos, Alderman Greeson, Alderman Hoskins, Alderman Bell all present.

### **2.0 PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE**

Texas Pledge:

Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

### **3.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

- 3.1 None

### **4.0 COUNCIL REPORTS & REQUESTS**

- 4.1 Mayor Pro-Tem McKown advised the city has a problem with speeding down Shore Acres Blvd. He advised there have been several citizens stop by his home to discuss this matter. He added that speeding vehicles are not our citizens, the issue is with delivery vehicles, dump trucks, etc. Mayor Pro-Tem McKown advised there needs to be more visibility, not more tickets, just more visibility. Mayor Jennings stated Mr. Harrison would take care of this.

There were no other comments.

### **5.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS & PUBLIC COMMENTS**

5.1 **Public Comments**

NO Comments

This is an opportunity for the public to address the council. Dialogue, deliberation, or discussion, with council members on items that are not on the agenda is prohibited by law. Time for each speaker is limited to five minutes.

## **6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **6.1 City Manager's Report** Harrison

Mr. Harrison stated National Night Out was a great success and thanked Elaine, Bernie and Diane and Ray for all their help. There was lots of participation from the citizens, and he stated that next year he was going to work on better food and reach out to LBC and see if they would be willing to participate.

Mr. Harrison discussed the Cash Report attached. He also stated he had completed the paperwork with the Water Development Board since we have completed all our projects and should be getting money back within the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Greeson asked if the city had applied for or received any funds from Hurricane Beryl to clean up all the debris. Mr. Harrison advised we did seek any funds because Harris County did the pickup and they will be seeking reimbursements from FEMA.

Mayor Jennings advised that he likes tracking the progress of Court and thanked Bernie, Diane, and Elaine for the work at getting the moving in the right direction and it did not lose money this last fiscal year. The court had a positive fiscal year end, and feel we can possibly offset some funds with the Police Department in the amount of \$50,000.00

### **6.2 Monthly Police Department Report.** Harrison

Mr. Harrison reported that there was a Burglary call in September, however; it is a weird situation and a residence they are very much aware of. Other than that, the month was normal. It was asked if this was actual Burglary and Mr. Harrison stated yes. The Burglary was called in, September 3, 2024, in the morning. This was the 85<sup>th</sup> Report written this year. Various questions were asked; however, the case is still an open investigation.

Mr. Harrison added that there have been lots of accidents lately, due to the traffic on Highway 146. The big trucks are mostly the cause switching lanes and hitting cars in their path. Mr. Harrison added that many vehicles now have dashcams that helped us with the investigation.

Mayor Pro-Tem McKown asked about the Child/Elderly Abuse report, Mr. Harrison advised this ended up being a child custody case, when we went out, there was nothing confirmed, and it was turned over to CPS.

Mayor Pro-Tem McKown also asked about the shots fired case. Mr. Harrison advised a Shoreacres resident is who heard the shots and called it in, the call was from the apartments north of the city.

Alderman Bell asked about the basketball backboard. Mr. Harrison advised he feels this was an intentional act and not an accident. The last time it was replaced, the cost was \$2,200.00, this is a very high expense, and we will not replace it again. Mr. Harrison added they are looking at possibly fiberglass or wooden backboard. The pavilion is highly used where people are out there all the time playing. Alderman Bell advised he has seen people hanging on the rim and asked could this be how it was broken. Mr. Harrison, these were rocks being thrown.

**6.3 Monthly Public Works Department Report. Harrison**

Mr. Harrison advised he is slowly learning the report and advised he is considering asking David Sutton to come and explain the report. It gives information on water accountability.

**6.4 Emergency Medical Service Harrison**

Mayor Jennings advised he did not receive a report this month, Mr. Harrison advised, he did not get a report this month either and has talked to them and advised he needs a report. Mayor Jennings advised we have received a draft contract for the La Porte EMS Service, it is now with the City Attorney for review, and we should get this back soon and it will be given to the Council for review.

## **7.0 BUSINESS**

**7.1 Minutes from September 23rd and 30th meetings. Goodman**

Alderman Hoskins made a **motion to accept** the minutes as written with a second from Alderwoman Ramos. There being no questions and/or discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**7.2 Ordinance 2024-10-01 Adopt 2024-2025 Budget Jennings**

Mayor Jennings asked for a motion to discuss the year 2024-2025 Budget. Alderman Hoskins made a motion to discuss the 2024-2025 Budget with a second from Alderwoman Ramos. Mayor Jennings displayed the budget on the screen, and all had a copy of the budget for review and advised that the allowance has not been increased in 3 years, inflation has increased 16% in that time. The mayor added that the employee is responsible for paying the taxes on this money. Mayor Pro-Tem made a motion to accept the amendment for 6270-30 as discussed with a second from Alderwoman Ramos. A brief general discussion was held, there being no questions and/or further discussion, the motion carried.

7.3 **Ordinance 2024-10-02 Adopt 2024-2025 Tax Rate** Jennings

Mayor Pro-Tem McKown made a motion to with a second from Alderwoman Ramos to adopt the 2024-2025 Tax Rate as presented. There being a brief discussion and no questions, the motion carried unanimously.

7.4 **Ordinance 2024-10-03 Revise Water Conservation Plan** Harrison

Alderman Greeson made a motion to accept the ordinance 2024-10-03 as presented with a second from Alderwoman Ramos. There being a brief discussion and no questions and/or discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

8.0 **ADJOURNMENT** Jennings

Alderwoman Ramos made a motion with a second from Mayor Pro-tem McKowan to Adjourn the meeting. Mayor Jennings adjourned the meeting at 6:36 pm

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the governing body of the City of Shoreacres, Texas is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted a copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at City Hall on October 11, 2024, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times; to remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

DATED THIS: October 11, 2024



SHOREACRES, TEXAS

By: *David Jennings*  
David Jennings – Mayor

The City Council of the City of Shoreacres 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 (Consultations 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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BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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