

City of Houston Lake
Unofficial Minutes of the Council Meeting
December 14, 2009

The Council of the City of Houston Lake met in regular session on November 9, 2009 at City Hall. The following members were present: Aldermen Rick Cowan, Nick Jackalone, Phil Otte and Dan Coronado. City Collector Joyce Kullman was excused.

Opening Session

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Hallauer presided.

Public Discussion

No public discussion

Minutes November 9, 2009

The minutes were read and approved by general consent.

Building Permits

The Council was presented a building permit at 5336 NW Houston Drive for an electrical upgrade. The Council approved the permit by general consent. The Council also approved a “final” for a permit at 5279 NW Edgewood Trail.

Treasurers Report

Alderman Coronado moved to accept the Treasurers report, seconded by Alderman Otte. Motion passed

Resolution 12-14-09 (paybills)

Alderman Jackalone moved that we accept Resolution 12-14-09, seconded by Alderman Otte.

Motion passed.

Collectors Report

The Mayor presented a collectors report to the Council from City Collector Joyce Kullman. The total deposits for the city of \$9593.89 were made for the period ending 11-30-09.

Code Enforcement/Sheriff's Report

A Code Enforcement Report was submitted to the Council by Mitch Kelly for the months of November/December 2009. A Platte County Sheriff's report was also presented to the Council.

Reports from Aldermen

Alderman Cowan – Alderman Cowan expressed his appreciation for the Christmas decorations. He noted that there was a brief meeting of the Emergency Management Committee and this will be followed up after the first of the year. He also mentioned the Mid America Regional Council had a mapping tool that could be used for estimating damage in a disaster situation. He will research this option.

Alderman Otte – Alderman Otte asked if the City Hall had their emergency generator adopted for City Hall use in case of an emergency. Mayor Hallauer stated that a licensed electrician should be contacted. Alderman Cowan said that he knew of several electricians that he works with and will make a contact.

Alderman Coronado – Alderman Coronado told the Council that on several occasions he has had encounters with drivers on the bridge and dam. These people are not residents of Houston Lake and apparently do not read the signs noting the one lane traffic.

Alderman Jackalone –Alderman Jackalone gave thanks to Charlie Burgess for the snow removal.

Old Business

a. Mayor Hallauer gave the Council a letter from Mr. Jay Wilson, Vice President of the Bank of Weston. This letter explained various options that a loan could be structured for the repaving of the city streets. The Council will discuss other options available at the next City meeting.

b. Mayor Hallauer informed the Council that Alderman Nick Jackalone and his wife Jan were part of the Platte County “ Shop with a Cop” program. They helped one of the children shop for himself and his family for Christmas.

New Business

a. A “Resolution of Thanks” was passed by the Council and gave their appreciation to Jean Anderson, Andrea Freese, Luci Freese, William Gay, Thomas Gay, Zoe Gay and Lillian Gay for their community service and their contributions to the City of Houston Lake. Mayor Hallauer called for a brief recess for refreshments.

b. Alderman Rick Cowan told the Council about a request for a street light at the 3400 block of Edgewater Trail. This will be discussed at the next city meeting.

Mayors Report

a. Mayor Hallauer gave the Council a “Year in Review” report. The many accomplishments and changes for the year 2009 were the addition of Alderman Rick Cowan, curbside recycling was passed, fire protection was again passed, a four year fire protection contract with the City of Riverside, the City wide clean-up day, the new City directory, AT&T settlement, a fabulous July 4th celebration, the addition of Alderman Dan Coronado, adoption of the Platte County Emergency Management plan, fall brush clean-up day, a City of Houston Lake website and the signing onto the MARC Emergency Management Plan (SEMA & FEMA)

Happy New Year!!!

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm