



MINUTES OF A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS
NOVEMBER 16, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.
16100 Wharf Cove, Volente, Texas 78641

1. Open Special Called Meeting.
Mayor opens the meeting at 6:32 p.m.
2. Call Roll.
Julia Vicars, City Secretary, calls rolls. Present were Mayor Ken Beck, Mayor Pro Tem Connors, Council Member Springer, Council Member Yarbrough, and Council Member Belote. Council Member Robinson is absent. A quorum is established.
3. Citizen Comments.
Scott Spurlin, 15715 Booth Circle, speaks to the land use ordinances in place and their ineffectiveness and lack of clarity.
Joyce Beck, 15911 Booth Circle, thanks Scott Spurlin for his comments and agrees there needs to be a coming together of the community. She thanks the exiting Council members for their time and hard work.
Judy Barrick, 15907 Booth, thanks the outgoing Council for their time and hard work. States she hopes the progress made continues moving forward. Hopes that exiting Council members will still contribute their knowledge and opinions.
Nancy Carufel, Joy Rd, thanks everyone who has spoken and agrees with them. Thanks Council for their hard work, research, and time contributed to the Village.
David Gordon, 15761 Booth, thanks the voters for the 45% turnout in an off year. Is impressed with the dedication and motivation of the community for such a high voter turnout.
4. Consider and Act upon Resolution 2015-R-6, a resolution to receive and accept as true and correct the canvassed voting results for the Election held on November 3rd, 2015 for Election of three City Council members of the Village of Volente. (Julia Vicars, City Secretary)
Julia Vicars, City Secretary, introduces the item.
Kelly Springer, 8504 Lime Creek Road, states that the election was not conducted according to law and requests that the results be postponed pending investigation.
Council Member Yarbrough asks for clarification and Ms. Springer does not specify reasons why.
Libby Davis, 15432 FM 2769, states the Village election was not conducted according the law and states she supports postponing until an investigation can take place.
Walt Thompson, 7500 Reed Dr, states he is here at David Springer's request that something that may have occurred during the election are appalling. Specifically, items taped to people's mailboxes. States that this is a violation of federal law.

Kit Hopkins, 15943 Booth Circle, states that she did not invite her family to this event because she was ashamed of the behavior of the community. Says she does not enjoy the infighting. She should be proud, but the community has diminished the pride in the position.

Joyce Beck, 15911 Booth Circle, states she is not sure what the statements read aloud have to do with the election results.

Scott Spurlin, 15715 Booth Circle, says he heard about this petition to postpone the election results at 5:00 p.m. and says there are rumors that the registered voters list had inconsistencies, the letter sent out by Allison Thrash, and the items on the mailboxes.

Walt Thompson, says it is clear that things on the mailboxes that have deemed this election invalid.

Jan Yenawine, 15600 FM 27659, says this endless backbiting that has gone on for the last year is the reason the voting results are what they are. Three fresh faces want to get the City back on track and this negativity and backbiting is very unnecessary.

Linda Lemieux, 8205 West Dr, says in any given challenge there's the gift of the solution within. There has been a lot of challenge this year. Mailboxes need to be brought up but separate of election results. The election results are a gift, take the opportunity to look for the best for the community.

Council Member Yarbrough makes a motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-6 and accept the canvassed voting results. Council Member Belote seconds. Council Members Belote and Yarbrough vote aye, Council Members Connors and Springer vote nay. The Mayor votes in favor of the motion accepting the canvassed election results. The item and motion passes.

5. Administer Oaths of Office for newly Elected Council Members. (Honorable Judge Denise Thrash)
Judge Denise Thrash administers the oaths of office and statement of officers for each new official and presents them with their certificate of election.

6. Adjourn.
Meeting adjourns at 7: 47 pm

Passed and Approved this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Signed:

Mayor Ken Beck

Attest:

Julia Vicars, City Secretary