

Minutes
Village of Volente Council Meeting,
Tuesday, May 21, 2013 7:00 p.m.
VVFD and Community Center, 15406 FM 2769, Volente, Texas.

A quorum of the Planning & Zoning Commission and the Board of Adjustments may be present.

Justine Blackmore Hlista, Mayor	Frederick Graber, Mayor Pro Tem
Mark Scott, Councilmember	Judy Graci, Councilmember
Matthew Hammond, Councilmember	Chris Wilder, Councilmember

A. Items Opening Meeting

1. Call to order

Mayor Justine Blackmore Hlista called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. Roll Call

All members were present except Councilmember Scott. A quorum was established.

3. Pledge to the Flag and reading of the Village Vision Statement

Councilmember Wilder read the vision statement.

B. Citizen Communications: At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting. Three (3) minute time limit.

Jan Yenawine, 15600 FM 2769, Volente, TX 78641

Judy Barrick, 15907 Booth Circle, Volente, TX 78641

Nancy Carufel, 8138 Joy Rd., Volente, TX 78641

Bob Steichen, 15805 FM 2769, Volente, TX 78641

David Woodward, 16321 Jackson Street, Volente, TX 78641

Mike Long, 16512 Jackson Street, Volente, TX 78641

C. Close Public Meeting, Open Executive Session:

Convene into executive session pursuant to section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney on terms of an employment contract.

The public meeting was closed at 7:18 p.m. Executive session opened at 7:20 p.m.

D. Close Executive session, open public meeting

1. Consideration and possible action to employ a city administrator and authorize the Mayor to sign an employment contract.

Executive session was closed at 7:45 p.m. and public meeting was opened at 7:46 p.m. Councilmember Graci made a motion to authorize the contract as proposed in all respects except 2.2 on duties and instruct the Mayor to negotiate further definition of the duties of the Village Administrator and bring back to council in special called meeting a revised contract on section 2.2. Mayor Pro Tem Graber seconded the motion.

Mayor Justine Blackmore Hlista explained the budget process and what items in the present budget could be used to pay the city administrator.

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Allison Thrash, 15100 FM 2769, Volente, TX 78641

Nancy Carufel, 8138 Joy Rd, Volente, TX 78641

Mattie Adams, 15941 Booth Circle, Volente, TX 78641

Jan Yenawine, 15600 FM 2769, Volente, TX 78641

The motion passed with all members voting for it and Councilmember Scott absent.

2. Consideration and possible action on request by Volente Fire Department to share costs of a secure mailbox for use by Fire Department and the Village office.

Allison Thrash, 15100 FM 2769, Volente, TX 78641

Councilmember Wilder made a motion to approve the request to share costs of a secure mailbox for use of the fire department and the village not to exceed 550.00 The fire department will take responsibility for buying and installing the mailbox. Councilmember Hammond seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with Councilmember Scott absent.

3. Consideration of request by ESD #14 for the Village of Volente to donate 1% municipal sales tax to ESD #14.

Tom Stevenson and Chief Groman gave a presentation on the ESD sales tax election that passed recently. Chief Groman asked the Village to donate 1% of its municipal sales tax to the ESD#14.

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Nancy Carufel, 8138 Joy Rd, Volente, TX 78641

Dorothy Wilhelm, 8104 Joy Rd, Volente, TX 78641

City Attorney Tom Buckle said the City cannot donate the tax to the District as a City cannot collect a tax and then give it away. He will research to see if there is a possible way to give the tax to ESD#14 from the City.

4. Consideration of items discussed at meeting held by City of Austin on issues related to animal welfare and control in Travis County.

Councilmember Wilder attended the meeting. There may be some education Presentations in the future regarding animal welfare and control. He reported Lakeway may be interested in putting together a shelter.

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5. Financial Report

Councilmember Scott was absent but the financial report he prepared was in the packet and available for the public. He will answer any questions regarding the report next month.

6. Construction Report

Joan Jackson, City Secretary, gave the construction report. All questions were answered regarding new permitting for the month of April, 2013.

7. Approval of minutes from April 16, 2013

Councilmember Wilder to approve the minutes. Councilmember Hammond seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting for it and Councilmember Scott absent.

D. Adjourn

Councilmember Hammond made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Graci seconded the Motion. The motion passed with all in favor and Councilmember Scott absent.


Justine Blackmore Hlista, Mayor


Joan Jackson, City Secretary