

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
TOWN OF HOLIDAY LAKES, TEXAS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

TOWN OF HOLIDAY LAKES

A regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Holiday Lakes, Texas, was conducted on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, A.D., at 7:00 p.m. in the Holiday Lakes Municipal Building, within the corporate limits of said town.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE – Mayor Pro Tem Disa Schulze.

Call to Order – Mayor Norman Schroder called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Record Members Present and Establish Quorum – Acting City Secretary Julie Guevara called roll and ascertained a quorum was present. The quorum included Mayor Norman Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem Disa Schulze, Alderwoman Roberta Hamby, Alderman Lorenzo Macias, and Alderwoman Kay Young. Alderman Terry Mithell was absent.

Approve/Reject: Minutes of January 23, 2024 – Alderman Macias questioned if background checks were going to start for elected council members. Mayor Schroeder advised, “no” because the judge advised no. Alderman Hamby reported there was a discrepancy in the minutes from January 23, she stated she presented a list of street signs not streetlights. Motion was made by Alderman Kay Young and was seconded by Alderman Lorenzo Macias. The motion carried with 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Approve/Reject: Pending Bills and Actual Disbursements for January 2024 – After reviewing pending bills and actual disbursements, Alderman Macias made a motion to approve the pending bills and actual disbursements with Alderman Young seconded the motion. Alderman Macias requested to make the printout bigger to be easier to read. Mayor Pro Tem Schulze advised that the balance in the Operating Account includes the Tax payments from Brazoria County Tax Office. Mayor Pro Tem Disa Schulze spoke about Tex Pool Acct and explain the balance, and that the amount sitting in that account is to fix the roads of Holiday Lakes as soon as FEMA gives their approval. The motion carried with 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Presentation of Police Report for January 2024- There were 43 calls for service: 2 Animal Complaints, 3 Ambulance calls, 2 Warrant service, 2 Civil Problems, 1 Fire call, 4 Loud Music calls, 1 Business check, 1 Close Patrol, 1 Public Service, 6 Loose Livestock, 1 Open Door, 1 Assistance, 2 Information calls, 4 Traffic stops, 3 Follow up, 1 Discharge Firearm, 1 Neighbor Problem, 2 Suspicious Circumstances, 1 City Ordinances, 1 Major Accident, 1 Flag down, 1 911 Hang up, 1 Suspicious Person. There were 68.4 gallons of gasoline in the units, with 1031.6 miles driven. Alderman Kay Young questioned about a report of a small child that

was riding a tricycle on the road around North Lake. It was determined the little girl was looking for her father.

Presentation of Court Report for January 2024 – Judge Sharon Fox presented to the council. She thanked the council for allowing her to continue to serve. Judge Fox spoke about the training that was required for the court software, Fund view, to be used. Judge Fox, Clerk Guevara attended the training with two others. Judge Fox also advised that OCA reports have not been turned into the state yet along with the DPS reports. Judge Fox advised the courts were about 2 years behind on their reports. Officer Dodd and Sgt. Bilbrey have been assisting in getting the court straightened out and cleaning up the mistakes, Judge Fox advised herself and Julie Guevara have been registered for training that is required each year and that the training is virtually. Judge Fox advised that the court has been “shut down” to try to get the paperwork fixed and corrected.

Public Comments – Joyce Carr advised there will be a Candidate Forum for the candidates for the City Council Seats. Alderman Young advised the forum will be at the Hitching Post Park on April 13, 2024. Alderman Kay advised the Church is going to help drive the people top the location to go vote, they are waiting to hear back from someone at the church. Joyce Carr also advised the forum should be at the Community Building instead of the bar.

Alderman Kay Young also advised that there will be an Easter Egg Hunt behind the Community Center at the Park as well as a Cinco De Mayo Celebration on May 4th, 2024.

Mayor Pro Tem requested to have a Candidate Forum on a Saturday between February 20 and March 31. Request for Sabrina Dodd and Sharon Fox to get together to schedule the forum, for a Saturday evening.

Joyce Carr also requested to see if there is a place that the elderly town people have a place to go to do things together, like playing cards, or dominos or have a potluck.

Mayor Pro Tem Schulze advised there have been rumors about the city losing a 1.5-million-dollar grant. The grant has not been lost, just waiting for the current audits to be finished up.

Royce Isbell asked about audits. Mayor Pro Tem advised the city is about 3 years behind, and the city will be hiring someone to come in and fix the paperwork and QuickBooks.

Alderman Kay Young spoke about breaks and lunch for office staff.

8: Approve/ Reject Action Item: Talking about getting a firewall for the computers for the office and the police department. Mayor Pro Tem advised a phone number was given for the office staff to contact a party about obtaining a firewall and antivirus. Det. Landers also advised he has a program that he is not able to access because we do not have a firewall.

9: Approve/ Reject Action Item: Title for police department, just waiting on Brandon Torres to sign the building. Sgt. Bilbrey advised to the town people that the police officers are doing their work just are doing what they can within the scope of the finances of the city.

Travel Trailer Permits- Mayor Norman Schroeder reported that none had been submitted.

Manufactured Home Permits- Mayor Norman Schroeder reported none had been submitted.

Building Permit: Mayor Norman Schroeder reported that none had been submitted.

Closed Executive Session – Mayor Pro Tem Schulze made a motion to adjourn to executive session. The motion was seconded by Alderman Terry Mitchell and carried on a vote of 5 Ayes and 1 Nays. Mayor Norman Schroeder adjourned into executive session at 8:26 p.m.

Action taken as result of closed executive session – Mayor Norman Schroeder called the meeting back to order at 9:13 p.m. Mayor Schroeder advised he gave the sealed executive session envelope to City Secretary. Julie Guevara. He asked if there was any action as the result of the executive session. There is no action from the executive session.

Elected Officials Reports – Mayor Schroeder asking for each council member's reports. Alderman Hamby advised she had nothing to report. Alderman Lorenzo Macias advised he had nothing to report. Alderman Terry Mitchell was absent. Alderman Kay Young reporting she had sent the light company several addresses that had lights burned out. Mary Schultz also sent a request to the light company for a streetlight that did not work on Creekside and Timber. Mayor Pro Tem reporting that some of the lights have been replaced. Mayor Schroeder reports that the backhoe needs to have an engine replaced but the price will be \$39,000.00. If the money is spent it will make the tractor/backhoe almost like new. Mayor Pro Tem made a motion to spend the \$39,000 to fix the backhoe. Alderman Hamby seconded the motion. The motion passed with 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Mayor Pro Tem Schultz requests an item to be placed on the Agenda for next month to evaluate the possibilities for raises for the employees.

Adjournment – Alderwoman Kay Young made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Roberta Hamby and carried on a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. Mayor Norman Schroeder adjourned the meeting at 10:40 p.m.

Julie Guevara, City Secretary

Norman Schroeder, Mayor

**ATTEST: THIS IS A TRUE AND ACCURATE COPY OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CONDUCTED ON THE 20th DAY JANUARY 23, 2024.**

Sabrina Dodd, City Secretary