VILLAGE of PALISADES

BOARD OF ALDERMEN AGENDA REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 12TH, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING (THE PUBLIC IS ALWAYS WELCOME)

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:
- 2. QUORUM CHECK:
- 3. READING & APPROVAL OF PRIOR SPECIAL MEETING & REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:
- 4. ACKNOWLEDGE ANY NEW RESIDENT(S) ATTENDING:
- 4. TREASURER'S REPORT: (CAROLYN LARUE)
- 5. P.V.F.D. REPORT: (CHIEF DENNIS MASSEY)
- 6. POLICE REPORT:
- 7. PERMIT CLERK'S REPORT (DALE CONNER)
- 8. FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: (DAVID LARUE)
- 9. New Business: (discussion and possible action)
 - Discuss and possible action for getting quotes for a Palisades Community Center sign.
 - Discuss and possible action to approve an ordinance that renews the Village of Palisades 20-year franchise renewal contract with Southwestern Public Service Company/Xcel Energy.

10. Old Business: (discussion and possible action)

- 11. VILLAGE OF PALISADES RESIDENTS' REQUESTS & COMMENTS:
- 12. MAYOR'S REPORT:
- 13. COMMENTS FROM BOARD:
- 14. ADJOURNMENT:

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE VILLAGE MEETING'S AGENDA WAS POSTED AT THE VILLAGE BOARDS ON OR BEFORE SATURDAY MAY 9TH, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M.

BRAD KIEWIET, MAYOR

THE VILLAGE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION DURING THE REGULAR MEETING WHENEVER NECESSARY.

VILLAGE OF PALISADES

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

Via Zoom Due to Covid-19 Pandemic

Mayor Brad Kiewiet called the meeting to order at 6:32p.m.

Alderwoman/men present were Sherry Simms-Fleming, Dale Conner, David LaRue, and Ron Welshans.

Mayor Brad Kiewiet asked to keep JoAnn Short in our thoughts and prayers for her sister, Jane and their family.

Alderwoman, Sherry Simms-Fleming took minutes for Secretary JoAnn Short.

The prior minutes from the April 14, 2020 meeting and the April 29, 2020 Special meeting were tabled by a motion from Alderwoman, Sherry Simms-Fleming and seconded by Alderman, Dave LaRue. No one opposed. Motion passed.

Mayor Brad Kiewiet welcomed everyone that joined the meeting on "Zoom", as well as any new residents/resident.

Treasurer, Carolyn LaRue reported the Village's assets included \$23,271.37 in the checking account and \$15,017.72 in the money market account as of April 30, 2020.

Mrs. Carolyn LaRue stated that ordinary income for April 2020 totaled \$3,671.66 including utility allocations of \$3,246.13, property tax collections of \$218.30, permit income of \$130.00, TML refund of \$47.00, PRAD refund of \$10.23, and a road repair contribution of \$20.00.

Mrs. Carolyn LaRue stated that expenses were \$540.28 which included \$14.34 for the lighting at the safety gate, \$85.00 for Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, \$40.51 for Xcel for the Palisades Community Center, along with \$60.73 for Atmos, \$339.70 for replacement flooring for the Palisades Community Center. With our income in April of \$3,671.66 less our expenses of \$540.28, the total is \$3,131.38.

Alderman, Dale Conner made a motion to except the Treasurer's report as read, with a second from Ron Welshans. No one opposed. The motion passed.

Fire Chief Dennis Massey reported that the Palisades Volunteer Fire Department has \$7,205.28 in the checking account and \$5,177.03 in the savings account. The P.V.F.D. had one medical call in the Palisades, four structure fires up top, and one fire alarm.

Chief Massey said they have received their hand held radios, but are waiting on the radios for the trucks to be installed. Randall County will be doing those installations.

Chief Massey is looking into installing electric door openers for the fire station and possibly a concrete pad for a new addition in the future.

Our community is in critical fire danger due to lack of rain and high winds. Chief Massey asked everyone to clear dead brush, mow, and trim trees around your property and don't forget to fill out your "Fire Wise Forms". Alderman, Dale Conner will take your "Fire Wise Forms" that you fill out.

There are now 9 volunteers for the P.V.F.D. Hondo is our newest member and he is still training with Timbercreek, Tanglewood, Randall County and Texas Forest Service. Chief Massey may have another volunteer, Cameron Carver.

Policeman, Beau Fletcher reported that there has been more traffic in the Palisades due to people getting out and driving around for something to do during this time of "shelter in place". Please be vigilant in watching out for each other and property. Report anything that looks suspicious to 9-1-1.

Policeman, Fletcher stated that we are in the rabies season and there have been 3 cases of rabies in Randall County reported. Make sure your pets have been vaccinated. The Raccoon population is growing in the Palisades and they can carry rabies as well as the skunks. Beau put down a skunk, but it came back negative for rabies. If the animal has rabies, it can spread like wildfire and will put our pets and residents living here in jeopardy. Please do not feed these animals! Alderman, David LaRue asked if the raccoons could be relocated to another area. Beau stated at this time, they could not be relocated.

Alderman, Dale Conner reported that he issued 3 permits for April and May 2020. Helen Genitiski for a multi load permit for \$40.00, David LaRue, a new shed construction permit for \$50.00, and Richard Kiewiet for a multi load permit for \$40.00, for a total of \$130.00.

Flood Plan Administrator/Coordinator, David LaRue received a couple of phone calls this month but they didn't generate any paper work or forms, so there is nothing to report.

Mayor Brad Kiewiet opened up discussion for the possibility for quotes for a sign to be made to put on the Palisades Community
Center. David LaRue stated that when some people drive down to the Palisades to meet a resident, they look for the community center and don't know where that is. A sign would identify the building. Carolyn LaRue said she would be glad to get some bids for a sign that could be placed on the North facing gabled end of the building. She will check with Miki Angelino, who has made some of our Village signs and well as some other sign makers for quotes. Mrs. LaRue said she will give the report at the June meeting. Mayor Brad Kiewiet asked if we needed to make a motion to get the bids for a sign. Action is not needed at this moment.

Mayor Brad Kiewiet read Ordinance 6B, a 20 year Franchise Agreement renewal contract with Southwestern Public (SPS), D/B/A Xcel Energy. Alderman David LaRue made a motion to accept the Village of Palisades 20 year franchise renewal contract as read with a second from Dale Conner. On one opposed. The motion passed.

Mrs. Carolyn LaRue had some request from a couple of residents to have a community garage sale in the parking lot of the Palisades Community Center in June. Each person would be responsible for their tables, goods, money and clean up. We could advertise and Facebook and social media. Mayor Brad Kiewiet stated that it would be covered by TML.

Mrs. Carolyn LaRue had comments from different residents, that if they knew about the "work events", they would have volunteered. Not everyone has Facebook and other social media to find out about these events. Mrs. LaRue suggested we have a master list of those who would like to be called on to volunteer for different projects. This would help in keeping the community interested and giving support. Alderman David LaRue suggested a clip board we could place in the Palisades Community Center so residents could sign up for any tasks from clean up, dirt work and other community chores. We could go down the list to ask for volunteers. Mrs. LaRue will prepare a statement to give to Mayor Kiewiet and this could be sent out on PARIS also.

Mayor Brad Kiewiet thanked Carolyn and David LaRue, Kelli Lane, Brandi Carter, Sherry Simms-Fleming and Paul Fleming for painting the parking stops "safety yellow" and the entry post, white in the Palisades Community Center parking lot. Mayor Kiewiet would like to thank everyone in person as soon as we are able to have the Village meeting at the Palisades Community Center.

Mayor Brad Kiewiet thanked the guys for helping to clear the Northside emergency exit. A lot of brush and yucca had to be clear out. We have proved that we can maintain this emergency exit.

Alderwoman Sherry Simms-Fleming asked if we should make a separate motion for the Special meeting on April 29, 2020. Alderman

David LaRue made a motion to table the minutes separate. Alderman Dale Conner seconded. No one opposed. Motion passed.

Alderman Sherry Simms-Fleming thanked Mrs. Carolyn LaRue for getting everyone together to paint in the parking lot!!

Alderman David LaRue made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Alderman Dale Conner. No one opposed. Mayor Brad Kiewiet adjourned the meeting at 7:31pm.

Respectfully submitted by Alderwoman Sherry Simms-Fleming

Mayor Brad Kiewiet