

**VILLAGE of PALISADES**  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 at 6:30 P.M.  
PALISADES COMMUNITY CENTER  
**(THE PUBLIC IS ALWAYS WELCOME)**

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1. CALL TO ORDER:
2. QUORUM CHECK:
3. READING & APPROVAL OF PRIOR SPECIAL MEETING & REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:
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)**
  - Final Budget Approval.
  - Approval of 2019 Tax Resolution.
  - Change the permit for Carport at 402 Canyon Creek Dr. from Gilbert Morales to Alice Morales
  - Review the revisions made to the Public Health District: New Cooperative Agreement. *eff Oct 1*
  - Atmos Energy Rate Resolution
  - Xcel Energy Rate Resolution
  - Appoint Ordinance Clerk
10. **Old Business: (discussion and possible action)**
  - Establish Official Facebook page that is sanctioned by the Board
11. VILLAGE OF PALISADES RESIDENTS' REQUESTS & COMMENTS:
12. MAYOR'S REPORT:
13. COMMENTS FROM BOARD:
14. ADJOURNMENT:

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Anthony Stoughton  
John Spunier  
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I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE VILLAGE MEETING'S AGENDA WAS POSTED AT THE VILLAGE BOARDS ON OR BEFORE SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 AT 6:30 P.M.

  
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BRAD KIEWIET, MAYOR

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

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VILLAGE OF PALISADES  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Palisades Community Center

Mayor, Brad Kiewiet called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Alderwoman/men present were: Sherry Simms-Fleming, Dale Conner, Ron Driver, Dave LaRue, and Ron Welshans. Alderwoman, Sherry Simms-Fleming left the meeting at approximately 7:00 p.m.

The prior meeting's minutes included minutes from a special meeting held August 6, 2019, as well as minutes from the regular meeting held on August 13, 2019. The Board read the minutes from August 6<sup>th</sup>, and Alderwoman, Sherry Simms-Fleming made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Alderman, Dale Conner seconded the motion. No one opposed. The Board then read the minutes from August 13<sup>th</sup>, and Alderman, Dale Conner made a motion to approve as read. No one opposed.

Treasurer, Carolyn LaRue gave her report. She stated that the Village's current assets were \$34,625.99 as of August 31, 2019. She stated that the ordinary income included property tax collections of \$263.95, permit income of \$415.00, donations from giveaway at the Community center of \$275.00, and a road repair contribution of \$20.00 for a total income of \$973.95.

Carolyn stated that the expenses for the month of August included the gate safety light expense of \$14.12 and materials expense for the new Palisades sign of \$2,235.00 for a total of \$2,249.12 leaving the Village with a net income of -1,291.28.

She stated that she would go over the proposed budget/new budget at the next meeting when we approve the budget for the year.

Fire Chief, Dennis Massey gave the Village fire department report. He said that they had \$19,782.82 in their checking account as of August 31, 2019 and \$8,176.04 in their savings account.

He stated that they had a grass fire call they went on August 1<sup>st</sup>, and they had a medical call also, but were out of pocket so Randall County was called.

He stated that Randall County has a burn ban on. Resident, Jo Anne Short had a question. She asked if the burn ban was on-why was Tanglewood shooting fireworks off and she noticed lit tiki torches in a yard on the south side of the Village one night with no supervision. Fire Chief Massey said that he was not aware of the fireworks and that he would ask the about tiki torches (open flame) since he did not know if included in the burn ban.

He stated that the Randall County Mutual Aid contract was signed and turned in. he also stated that he received the invoice for the radios today, and 911 will be making us out a check for 75% reimbursement as soon as this week. He said that they had some unanticipated trouble with the high powered mobiles, but that they are sending medium powered for now, until problem can be solved.

Fire Chief Massey reminded residents that there is some green vegetation, but that things are drying out rapidly. Residents should continue to clean up any dry brush and any tree limbs on their property. He told residents to also be sure and fill out Fire wise forms.

Mr. Massey said that they need volunteers desperately and that they are still training with multiple departments. He stated that new volunteers must complete 70 hours of training before being able to go to a live fire. He said that him and Ryan had been called out last Saturday for a fire at Washington and McCormick and were there for seven and a half hours. He stated that they need men who can withstand the hours and the heat. He asked if there were any questions-

there were none. He reminded residents to call 911 in case of emergency.

\* Policeman, Beau Fletcher gave the Village Police report. He stated that he had not had many calls for the month of August. He stated that even though we live outside of Amarillo there has been multiple car thefts locally and that residents should lock their cars and do not leave important stuff accessible.

He stated that a new State law has been passed where you can now get license plates for ATVs and golf carts so you can drive them on public roads. There was discussion by the Board on current ordinance relating to the above, and it was decided the ordinance must be revisited/updated. Mr. Fletcher stated that he can enforce the State law, but not able to enforce Palisades' ordinances.

Alderman, Dale Conner gave the Permit clerk's report. He said that he had collected \$415.00 in permits for August including three roof permits at \$50 each for Weldon Read, Paul Fleming, and Ron Driver. He also gave permits to Chris Warren for a shed (\$50), multi-load and build permit to Camron and Brandi Carter (\$140), a fence permit to Dave LaRue (\$25) and a permit to add a carport to the Paquettes (\$50).

Alderman, Dave LaRue stated that there was nothing to report on the floodplain. He stated that he had no calls on for the month of August.

### New Business

(1) The Board discussed the proposed budget workshop (Special meeting held August 6, 2019) and Alderman, Dave LaRue made a motion to approve the proposed budget as gone over in the workshop per planned. Alderman, Dale Conner seconded the motion. No one opposed.

(2) Mayor, Brad Kieweit <sup>wt</sup> read Resolution 20191009 setting the tax rate for Palisades Village for 2019. Said tax rate to be set as

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0.13921 according to Article 26.5 (a) and (b) of the Texas Tax Code. Alderman, Dave LaRue made a motion to approve the 2019 Tax Resolution as read. Alderman, Ron Driver seconded the motion. No one opposed.

(3) The Board discussed the change made to the name on a permit issued to Gilbert Morales for a carport build at 402 Canyon Creek Dr. to current listed named owner of the property Alice Morales per the Board's vote at the August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. No further action needed.

(4) Mayor, Brad Kiewiet reminded residents of a visit from the Public Health District authorities a few months ago about the Bi-County Health District's new cooperative agreement with Bishop Hills, Palisades, Timbercreek, and Tanglewood Villages. He introduced guests from the Public Health District-Casie Stoughton, Anthony Spaniel, and John Gates to the Board and residents. Casie Stoughton went over the agreement and discussed changes haven't been made to the agreement since 1997. She said that Amarillo has grown so much since then and revisions needed to include the surrounding rural municipalities. She discussed the revisions made to the agreement, and how it will affect the Village including surcharges to rural areas (Article 6). This agreement would be effective October 1, 2019 she stated. Alderman, Dale Conner made a motion to sign the revised agreement with the Public Health District as discussed. Alderman, Ron Welshans seconded the motion. No one opposed. Mayor, Brad Kiewiet to sign and deliver tomorrow.

(5) Mayor, Brad Kiewiet read aloud the Atmos Energy Rate Resolution No, 09102019 approving a negotiated settlement between the Executive Committee of Cities served by Atmos West Texas ("Cities") and Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas regarding the Company's 2019 rate review filing. Alderman, Dale Conner made a motion to approve the resolution as read. Alderman, Dave LaRue seconded the motion. No one opposed.

(6) Mayor, Brad Kiewiet read aloud a resolution of the Village of Palisades denying the application of Southwestern Public Service

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Company (SPS) for approval of it's statement of intent and application for authority to change rates. Alderman, Ron Welshans made a motion to approve the resolution. Alderman, Ron Driver seconded the motion. No one opposed.

(7) Mayor, Brad Kiewiet stated that the Village needed an ordinance clerk and asked if anyone would be interested in the position. Discussion on the position and what it entailed (writing/ mailing letters to those residents out of compliance with Palisades ordinances-no enforcement). He stated that we needed to fill the position asap.

*David* Treasurer, Carolyn LaRue volunteered for the position. Mayor, Brad Kiewiet accepted, and asked the Board to vote. Alderman, Dale Conner made a motion to accept Carolyn LaRue as our ordinance clerk. Alderman, Ron Welshans seconded the motion. No one opposed.

### Old Business

Mayor Kiewiet stated that per Texas House Bill 305 relating to the requirement that certain political subdivisions with authority to impose a tax post certain information on an Internet website, the Village is establishing an official facebook page. Per prior meeting held on August 13<sup>th</sup>, the Board discussed website designer cost (\$1,500-\$2,000) and development of our own domain name (\$400), hosting cost, (\$144 annually), and content. Alderman, Dave LaRue made a motion to establish official facebook page. Alderman, Ron Welshans seconded the motion. No one opposed.

### Village Resident's Requests and Comments

Resident, Dennis Massey asked if they would use crushed asphalt for the road repairs. He was told that they would be discussing the topic in a few minutes under "Comments by the Board".

New resident Camron Carter asked if the road repairs would include St. Andrews and Exmoor streets on the North side. He was told that the Village has marked repairs to be done on the South side first due to asphalt disintegrating in the current potholes, and the North

side will be a much bigger job due to the Village will have to replace the base on the road before new asphalt can be done (cost is great).

Resident, Steve Rives asked if we could ask the Corp of Engineers to remove the bridge braces from the old bridge. There was discussion on non-residents who are partying in that area and danger of as well as cost (quoted prior \$500,000) to remove-something the Village cannot currently afford. Also discussion on verbiage of signs on Club property and all property on the creek being private property regardless.

New resident, Brandi Carter had a question about water rights on the creek into Lake Tanglewood. Policeman, Beau Fletcher stated that by Texas law we are allowed on Lake Tanglewood as long as on water and do not go ashore. He stated that Lake Tanglewood authorities could issue a ticket for not having Tanglewood sticker authorizing you to be on private lake however, and you would have to appear in court to address.

Mayor, Brad Kiewiet gave his report. He stated that the Palisades Club picnic will be held September 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in Le Drive park, and all residents were welcome whether they are Club members or not. The menu to be fajitas.

The Mayor also asked residents to tell Mary Jones "Happy Birthday" due to her birthday was that day (she was present at the meeting).

The Mayor thanked Dennis on the Palisades Fire Department's quick response time to the fire in the Village recently and thanked him and the other volunteers for their time. He reminded everyone of the hours of training and high demand on the Fire Department as volunteers and told Dennis he appreciated him very much.

Mayor Kiewiet also reminded everyone of the Fall clean-up which will be held on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

He also said that he had talked to the resident who lives in Tanglewood near to where the North side emergency gate used to be located about a possible road, alley, or easement through his property

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for an emergency exit, and that the owner was not amicable to the idea, so they are still trying to resolve the problem.

### Comments by the Board

Alderman, Dale Conner stated that on clean-up day Texas Forest Service's Ashley Johnson said that they will be here with a chipper and a crew ready to work. He stated that residents should be cleaning brush and tree limbs (fire fuels)-there will be no roll offs this clean-up. He said that they will actually be having two events that day-they will be having the Fire Safety Day the same day, and are needing someone who can cook the hamburgers due to the guy from Timbercreek who usually cooks for us will not be there. He said that Smokey the Bear will be here, but he is not sure that they will be having a bouncy house this year.

Alderman, Dave LaRue praised the dirt work done on the Carter's new property. He said that they did a really good job and asked the contractor's name who did it. He was told the guy's name was Scott Erickson.

Alderman, Ron Welshans stated that he had received two bids on the road work-the first one from Howell Sand and Gravel was verbal only and included forty-two places to be repaired but did not include fixing the damage/drop off located near Mary Jones' house at 455 Casino. He said that bid was \$9,400. The second bid he received was from Lonestar and included all of the same repairs plus the damage/drop off near 455 Casino for \$6,750. No action yet due to not currently on the agenda.

There was discussion on possible grants for expensive road repairs, etc. The Mayor said he would get with Emily Nolte to see if she may have information on.

Alderman, Dave LaRue made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Alderman, Ron Welshans seconded the motion. No one opposed. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.



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Signature page from minutes recorded on September 10, 2019-  
Palisades Regular Monthly Meeting

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Jo Anne Short



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Mayor, Brad Kiewiet