

**VILLAGE OF THE HILLS  
MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2013**

**1. Call to Order**

A meeting of the Board of Aldermen (“the BOA”) of the Village of The Hills (“the Village”) was held at the Village Offices at 102 Trophy Drive, The Hills, Texas 78738. Mayor Pro Tempore Smith called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board to wit:

Doug Lindgren	Mayor
J.R. Smith	Mayor, Pro Tempore
Ron Dodd	Treasurer
Hilda Potsavich	Secretary
Rick Zehrer	Alderman
Joy Hrobak	Alderwoman

And all of said persons were present except Mayor Lindgren, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were Dan Roark and Linda Lunney, representing general management for The Hills; Earl Wood, Public Works Supervisor for Hurst Creek MUD; Terry Browder, Village Emergency Management Coordinator; Jim DeWitt and John Durham, Lake Travis Fire and Rescue; and Kathie Uhler, President, The Hills POA.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Alderman Rick Zehrer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

*Treasurer Ron Dodd moved approval of the minutes for December 13, 2012 meeting and Secretary Hilda Potsavich seconded the motion which carried unanimously.*

**4. Treasurer’s Report**

Treasurer Dodd reviewed his written report, showing a beginning balance of \$97,561, revenues of \$64,059, expenditures of \$25,000; leaving a balance of \$136,539.

*Treasurer Dodd moved approval of the report; Alderman Rick Zehrer seconded the motion which carried unanimously.*

## **5. Solid Waste Report**

Mayor Pro Tempore Smith reviewed the written report, noting 1023 customers.

## **6. Law Report**

Delayed until officers arrive.

## **7. Consider and take any action on an increase in the Constable's monthly payment.**

Treasurer Dodd led a discussion on the increased billing amount; no action was taken.

## **8. Consider and discuss adopting a Resolution waving the Time Warner 1% PEG Fee.**

Treasurer Dodd briefed the Board on the 1% franchise tax collected by Time Warner for educational channels. Time Warner is requesting cancellation of the 1% fee and return of the collected amounts. Resolution No 75-13 will accomplish this.

*Treasurer Dodd moved approval of Resolution 75-13; Secretary Potsavich seconded the motion which carried unanimously.*

## **9. Park Liaison Report**

Alderwoman Hrobak summarized the most recent Park Commission meeting.

Leveling the soccer field was considered, as was selecting new members for the Commission – 2-year terms were outlined. There are currently 5 members but there can be up to 9 members.

## **10. POA Liaison Report**

Secretary Potsavich reviewed her written report, which shows 1,031 homes, of which 42 are vacant. The Annual Meeting is next Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the Country Club.

## **11. Report and take any action on the status of "The Hills Walking Trail" project and proposed Academy of Golf Walking trail.**

Alderman Zehrer reported on his attempts to get the easement for the trail from ClubCorp. The ClubCorp attorney is planning to contact Barney Knight, Village Attorney.

The plans must be approved by ClubCorp and the POA.

## **12. Hurst Creek MUD Report**

Alderwoman Hrobak reported on the December 17, 2012 HCMUD meeting.

1. The District moved the election to November.

2. Details on the progress of the Sewer Treatment Plant improvements.
3. Coalition of Firm Water Customers – HCM to contribute up to \$10,000.
4. Discussion of bringing landscaping in-house.

#### **6. Law Enforcement Report**

Officer Dorheim arrived to discuss law enforcement activities during December. There were 16 traffic warnings issued. Treasurer Dodd reported on a meeting with Travis County Sheriff's Department, who agreed to occasional night patrols.

#### **13. City Administrator's Report**

Dan Roark reported on the changes in utility billing format; progress on the Sewer Treatment Plant improvements; and the revision in the LCRA emergency order.

Earl Wood presented the BOA with a proposal to bring landscaping in-house.

*Alderman Zehrer moved to proceed with refining the proposal but not commit any funds at this time. Secretary Potsavich seconded the motion which carried unanimously.*

#### **14. Fire Mitigation Grant**

Dan Roark and LTFR's Assistant Chief, John Durham briefed the BOA on the pending Fire Mitigation Grant. It may be some time before FEMA responds due to current disaster needs. LTFR's fuel reduction crews will be disbanding February 28<sup>th</sup> and resumed again in September. In the meantime LTFR will continue evaluation of mitigation and costing of fuel reduction.

#### **15. Emergency Management Report**

Terry Browder reported that there is an issue of EMS not taking emergencies to the Lakeway Regional Medical Center.

#### **16. New Business Items Introduced by Member of the Board of Aldermen.**

Mayor Pro Tempore Smith reviewed his presentation for the POA Annual Meeting.

#### **17. Comments from Attending Visitors and Guests.**

Assistant Fire Chief Durham discussed issues involving the potential to join with the City of Austin Fire Department; also, funding issues with LTFR, including creation of an overlay district which would involve an additional 10 cent tax rate authorization.

**18. Adjournment**

*On motion by Treasurer Dodd and seconded by Alderman Zehrer, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.*

Signed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013

(Seal)



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.R. Smith".

J.R. Smith, Mayor Pro Tempore

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Hilda C. Potsavich".

Hilda C. Potsavich, Secretary