

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
December 4, 2007**

The Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 6:30 P.M. at Town Hall, 500 S. Highway 5, Fairview, Texas. Those present were Mayor Sim Israeloff, Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Sommers, Council Members Jim Cunningham, Ron Kasian, Michael Pezzulli, and Mary Price; Town Manager John Godwin and Town Secretary Michelle Lewis Sirianni. Councilman Anton Mattli was absent.

Mayor Israeloff called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and declared a quorum was present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 6:33 pm the council recessed into executive session to discuss: McKinney versus Fairview, Economic Development, and Real Estate.

At 7:25 pm Mayor Israeloff reconvened into the regular session and requested everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA: All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Council and will be acted on by one motion. The following items were on the consent agenda: A) Approve minutes of the November 6, 2007 regular council meeting. B) Approve an ordinance modifying requirements for trimming trees in public easements and rights-of-way.

Councilman Kasian made a motion to approve items A and B. Seconded by Councilman Pezzulli, with all in favor.

PRESENTATION FROM TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE:
Presentation by John Adler, telecommunications committee chairperson.

Mr. Adler highlighted the following updates concerning the town's telecommunications as well as the connection with technology.

- AT&T Uverse service, which is the same as Verizon's Vios. The service is run with fiber optics to provide internet service at a higher quality. A plastic line is run to the road, while a copper line is run to the house. The lines will run east to west to subdivisions. AT&T will probably offer the service initially as a package deal. At this time, there is no time frame to when and where the service will start.

- Telecommunications committee took a tour of the Alcatel service, which provided data concerning wireless and its technology.
- Mr. Adler has raised concerns on the town's electrical power with surge protections and LED lighting and how this is connected with telecommunications. The committee would like to explore and compile data on how to further the town not only with telecommunications, but with technology as well.

Councilwoman Price asked about surge protections and its effects. Mr. Adler explained what happens when lightening strikes as opposed to just a regular power outage and how it affects their electronics. Councilman Pezzulli asked where our stations are located. Mr. Adler responded that the town currently has two pedestals in town. Mr. Adler noted that as the lines are run, the companies will be able to run them underground closer to each home, which will be less of an eyesore. Each home would then have a little box similar to a meter box as opposed to a large square box in front of each home.

Mayor Israeloff asked what the town's internet options are. Mr. Adler responded that there are dial-up, fixed wireless, AT&T DSL, Direct TV, Broadband, Grande Communications, and data cards. Mr. Adler noted that TXU is currently testing broadband over power lines in Dallas. Mr. Adler commented that after speaking with GCEC, they currently have no push to also use this technology and that they are relying on TXU to do the legwork and then will possibly pursue initializing the service at a later date. However, there is also no set timeframe to when this may happen.

Mayor Israeloff asked council members if they would like the Telecommunications Committee to have any role on general "technology" issues in connection with Telecommunications. The consensus of the council was that they think it is a great idea and to pursue it further.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Consider appointment of individuals to serve on the environmental management advisory committee.

Mr. Godwin stated that the town has received no further applications, but that Paul Westbrook had been mentioned as a possible candidate. Councilman Pezzulli stated that he called Mr. Westbrook regarding the committee and at this time he is 'all committee'd out'. Councilman Pezzulli noted that they will be having their first meeting soon, but were waiting until after the holidays.

Mayor Israeloff stated being that there are no other applicants, no action is being taken at this time.

UTILITY ACCOUNT DEPOSIT REFUNDS: Discuss utility account deposit refunds.

Mr. Godwin stated that the town currently collects \$150 or \$200 for all new water accounts. The monies are kept escrowed by the town until the account is closed or changed to a new name, at which time the deposit is returned. The reason for the deposits is to cover any amount that may be left uncollected and to ensure timely payments. Mr. Godwin stated that it has been currently brought to his attention and would like feedback from council and that the town may consider returning refunds upon request after twenty-four consecutive months with no late payments of any type.

Mayor Pro Tem Sommers stated that she is happy this was brought up and thinks that it is a good concept and that her only concern would be getting stuck with a high water bill.

Mayor Israeloff stated that it is a great idea and asked the town manager to place it back on the consent agenda for the January meeting.

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS & ORDINANCES: Receive town manager's monthly report on development and ordinances.

Mr. Godwin highlighted the following topics:

- Williams tract (red barn site) – Retirement housing plan (Pleasantville) supposed to go to P&Z for action in December, but still not getting full application materials; scheduled for P&Z action January 10, 2008.
- Willow Point (Hart Road) -- Plat has been approved. Earthwork has been started.
- Rickman – Draft layout plan presented for review of possible residential development. Some of this land is the flood plain and is annexed and zoned RE-2.
- Soccer Complex – Clarifications with the bank, but moving along well. Possible ribbon cutting ceremony soon.
- Tree Farm – no new developments.
- Stoddard Road – The landscape business is under construction.
- Sakr – Recent discussions on property on which approved concept plan is still in place.

CITIZENS INPUT: Mayor Israeloff stated that anyone wishing to speak at this time to state their name and address for the record and to remember that no formal discussion or action may be taken on these items at this meeting.

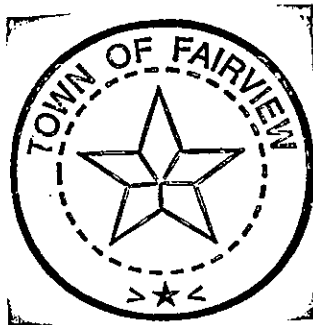
Paul Kauf, 310 Hampton Court, expressed a concern about the four way stop at Old Stacy Road. Mr. Kauf stated that many people don't stop and speed through these signs. Mr. Kauf noted the stop signs are very visible and is patrolled by the police. He doesn't know what other options there would be, but would like the town to take a look at this area before accidents start occurring.

Mayor Israeloff asked Mr. Godwin what other options and/or remedies the town has. Mr. Godwin responded that a lot depends on the geometry of the street. The town could place narrow spots on the streets that visibly deter residents from speeding. Mr. Godwin stated that he will also talk to the town engineer and police chief.

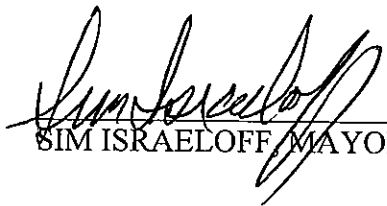
Mayor Israeloff thanked Mr. Kauf for his comment.

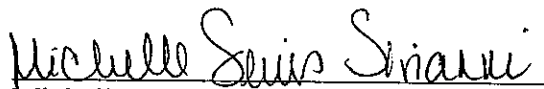
ACTION NECESSARY FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: No action required or taken.

There being no other items for discussion, Mayor Israeloff adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.



ATTEST:


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Michelle Lewis Sirianni, Town Secretary