

**Village of Point Venture
Village Council Meeting
July 17, 2019 at 6:30 PM
555 Venture Blvd. S.
Point Venture, Texas**

*“Partnership with the community. Foster community pride.
Preserve and enhance the natural beauty of our environment”*

Minutes

**In Point Venture, Travis County, Texas, commencing on July 17, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m.
To consider and act upon any lawful subject, which may come before it, including among others, the
following:**

A. Items Opening Meeting

1. **Call to order** Mayor Love called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Pledge** Mayor Love led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call** Village Secretary Janice Huling called roll. Present were Mayor Love, Mayor Pro Tem Lance Clinton, Councilmember Dan Olson, Councilmember Stephen Perschler, and Councilmember Don Conyer. A quorum was present.
4. **Consent Agenda**
All items under Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Village Council and will be enacted on by one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.
 - a. Approve Village Council Meeting Minutes June 19, 2019.
 - b. Approve Village Council Meeting Minutes June 26, 2019.

Councilmember Perschler made a motion to approve consent agenda. Councilmember Olson seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

B. Citizen Communications: Not for items listed on this agenda. No deliberations with Council. Council may respond with factual information. There is a three (3) minute time limit on any communication.

Annie K, who recently purchased a townhome in the original 20 on Lakepoint Drive, reiterated her STR issues. She posted her situation on NextDoor and attended “Mondays with the Mayor” earlier in the week also. Her next door neighbor has recently started renting out his unit, and although she loves him and he is very cooperative, the renters were intoxicated and using her boat dock without permission, before continuing to have a loud party late into the night. She notified the owner, who drove up from Houston, and with two sheriffs removed the renters from his townhome. She questioned whether STRs are good for the community and she would like to learn more. The Mayor recommended the Village Website with the ordinances and a link to the POA which shows the deeds. Recommendations were made to call 911 and the sheriff agreed.

Robin Wells, who stated she is against STRs, discussed her drainage issue on Staghorn Drive and wanted to go on record as contacting the building department twice. The first time they recommended a culvert, which was never installed. The second time the building department, backed by ATS, told her there was not a drainage problem due to the water drying up after 48 hours. She doesn't feel the building department has adequately addressed her situation and other drainage problems in the village. Councilmember Perschler and the Mayor acknowledged there might be a problem. Robin stated that she didn't think the village had followed the Texas State of Engineers guidelines concerning draining. The Mayor agreed to evaluate and get back to her in one week.

Leslie Rupyard said she has major problems with STR, explaining her interaction with the renters on a regular basis, every weekend. She and her husband try to accommodate when approached politely for the use of her dock, but she questioned if it was appropriate for the renters to ask. She would never ask to borrow her neighbor's kitchen or patio. She bought the lot next door and put up a fence because the renters were driving down to the shore to launch their boats. She discussed the trash issue and how she has picked up hundreds of bags of trash, with at least 2-3 pieces in her yard every week. The Mayor alluded to the maggots recently on the trash cans at all three large STRs on Deckhouse.

C. General Business and Action Items

1. Mayor's Report

He discussed "Mondays with the Mayor" with the topic of the conversation being short-term rentals, specifically noise control and he suggested always calling 911. He said he was open to meeting with residents anytime on Mondays and to coordinate with the village secretary, who sends out an email reminding all on Fridays of this opportunity to meet with the Mayor.

2. Old Business - None at this time.

3. New Business

a. **Discuss the ACC application process and requirements.**

Referring to Ordinance 4.03.004, Mayor Pro Tem Clinton questioned Cindy Clemons, of the ACC - Architectural Control Committee, on the need for three paper copies of building plans. She said she was following the ordinances and guidelines of the ACC. Mayor Pro Tem asked if the ordinance was changed to one hard copy and two digital copies, would she follow the ordinance. She answered that she would follow their guidelines. Councilmember Perschler said he understood the hard copies being not easy to alter, but he found the process felt contrived in the digital age. Janice Huling, Office Administrator, explained the series of events that led to the building department wanting to move to one paper copy and utilizing the digital copy, as most of the Austin area does. Mayor Love also questioned Cindy Clemons, who reiterated that three hard copies were needed for evaluation.

b. **Discuss the design and construction standards of outbuildings.**

Referring to Ordinance 4.06.003, Mayor Pro Tem Clinton said that in 2007, all outbuildings were prohibited for new residences. He questioned why such an ordinance would exist, and he felt that as long as the homeowner followed the ACC guidelines and any other rules pertaining to outbuildings, they should be allowed to have an outbuilding. Mayor Love asked Councilmember Don Conyer, who was on the council at that time, to explain. He said that the council wanted good looking buildings and that there were some in pretty bad shape then. Mayor Love asked Cindy Clemons from ACC if a person owned a home built after 2007, how would they go about having an outbuilding. She explained that the homeowner would need to ask for a variance from council. Mayor Love said that we could change the ordinance for homes built after 2007 and keep with the guidelines of the ACC. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton discussed the rules for home built prior to 2007 with outbuildings needing to be attached to home. He thought the council could combine the ordinances and remove the 2007 restriction and the attachment element.

c. **Discuss the duties and authority of county sheriffs and and take possible action concerning 4th of July Parade..**

The Mayor discussed that the Lions Club had invited the council to lead the parade and he asked who would be attending, and what type of vehicle to drive. Necklaces were provided from the Lions Club to toss out to crowd and Mayor Pro Tem suggested candy as well.

d. **Discuss and take possible action on job description and pay scale for part-time on-call Animal Control Officer.**

The Mayor brought up the need for back up with Chad Chistianson away at training this week and the number of call received for ACO services. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton suggested an executive session after the budget meeting to discuss employment issues. Mayor Love combined New Business items d. & e. and added to the budget meeting next week. Mayor Pro Tem tasked Vickie Knight, bookkeeper with a report on the budget for new employees for next meeting.

e. **Discuss and take possible action on third full-time employee.**

Combined with d. See above.

D. Council Reports

1. **Mayor Love** reported on Village Survey.

2. **Treasurer Report**

Councilmember Olson reported the FY2019 audit was done. For May YTD, he reported The Village's total income at \$571,125.64 and total expenses at \$346,162.39.

3. **Building Department**

Councilmember Olson reported 23 Permits for new homes in 2019 and 12 Certificate of Occupancies.

4. **Code Enforcement**

Chad Christianson currently at Code Enforcement Officer training in San Antonio.

5. **Animal Control**

Mayor Pro Tem reported for ACO Chad Christianson 250 Dogs registered in 2019. 7 dogs at large, 2 deer in

freezer, 4 skunks, 1 raccoon, 1 fox, 1 possum relocated in May. Lago Vista Animal Hospital to take quarantined animals if needed.

6. Village Services

Mayor Pro Tem Clinton discussed a masterplan community sign, new locks for the five doors, and interior paint for the village offices.

7. Public Works

8. Emergency Services

9. Travis Co. Sheriff's Report

Sergeant Greg Lawson reported more activities in park as summer begins.

E. Announcement / Closing comments

- a. Mayor Pro Tem Clinton thanked the Mayor for his words earlier. Councilmember Perscher thanks Royce Christopher and suggested a plaque for him. Janice Huling discussed the election details with the position of Mayor open, as well as two councilmembers.

F. Adjournment

Councilmember Christopher made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Perschler seconded the motion. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. The Village Council for the Village of Point Venture reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.086 (Economic Development).



Eric Love, Mayor - Village of Point Venture

Attest:



Janice Huling, Village Secretary