

**CITY OF COPPERAS COVE  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 1, 2002 - 7:00 P.M.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rodney G. Nauert called the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Copperas Cove, Texas to order at 7:01 p.m.

**B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council Member Heinze gave the Invocation, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**C. ROLL CALL**

**ALSO PRESENT**

Bradi D. Diaz  
Ray Don Clayton  
John F. Gallen  
Charlotte Heinze  
Fred Harris  
Bud Owsley (excused absence)  
Annabelle Smith

Steven J. Alexander, City Manager  
Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary  
James R. Thompson, Interim City Attorney

**D. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Council Member Smith

- Expressed sympathy to the family of Dr. Kirkpatrick
- A political forum sponsored by Governmental Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Commerce will be held on October 10<sup>th</sup> in the Council Chambers from 7-9 p.m.

Council Member Heinze

- Sympathy to the family of Dr. Kirkpatrick
- Attended a Youth Summit in Killeen last week. The event was well organized, and well attended. If any non-profit agencies are hosting any events they would like youth to assist with, please call the City Secretary. The area youth are committed to donating 150 hours to the community.

Council Member Harris

- The City of New Jersey has a bear problem, our City is fortunate we have a deer problem rather than a bear problem!

Council Member Gallen

- Homecoming is this Friday, October 4, 2002.

Mayor Pro Tem

- Ogletree Gap will be held October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at the Ogletree Gap Preserve.
- Tour de Gap, a bicycle event will be held October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Thanks to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a very productive meeting on the sign ordinance.

Mayor Nauert

- City sympathies to Dr. Kirkpatrick's family.
- This month, the City of Copperas Cove will be mailing out a survey to all City utility customers. The survey addresses the potential problem of deer in the area. Please take a few moments to read through the information, complete the brief survey, and return it with your utility payment.

#### **E. PUBLIC RECOGNITION**

1. Presentation – Wes Perry, President of the Copperas Cove Volunteer Fire Fighters will present a check to the Copperas Cove Fire Department for the sum of \$7,732.63.

Wes Perry, President of the Copperas Cove Volunteer Firefighters presented a check for the sum of \$7,732.63 to Mayor Nauert for the Fire Department, and Hilde Hilton, of Cove Country Opry presented a check for the sum of \$4,622.11 to Mayor Nauert for the Fire Department. Bruce Woods, Fire Chief stated the Fire Department was very excited and honored in receiving these funds to purchase a thermal imaging camera.

2. Proclamation – Fire Prevention Month 2002.

Mayor Nauert read and presented the Fire Prevention Month 2002 Proclamation to Fire Chief, Bruce Woods. Chief Woods thanked Mayor Nauert and the City Council for the Proclamation and then introduced Miss Regina Ramos, Miss Flame Copperas Cove 2002.

3. Proclamation – Crime Prevention Month 2002.

Mayor Nauert read and presented the Crime Prevention Month 2002 Proclamation to Lt. Danny Austin, and Police Chief, Tim Molnes. Chief Molnes thanked Mayor Nauert and the City Council for the Proclamation. Lt. Austin listed the many programs that the Police Department was organizing, and said this would be a very good and productive month.

VFW Post 8577 Commander, Don Hollingsworth presented Mayor Nauert, Police Lt. Danny Austin, Police Chief Tim Molnes, Fire Department Shift Commander Skip Rippey, and Fire Chief Bruce Woods each with an award in recognition of their meritorious and distinguished service.

- F. CITIZEN'S FORUM** citizens are allowed to speak on any matter other than personnel matters, matters under litigation, or matters on the regular agenda, for a length of time not to exceed five minutes per person. Thirty minutes total has been allotted for this section.

Clinton Ketzal, 1110 West Avenue B – Asked why he was having a problem getting the drainage ditch at the side of his house cleaned. City Manager, Steven Alexander said he had spoken to the City Engineer on this issue, and he would have the problem resolved within the week.

Roger O'Dwyer, 1703 Hyland Drive – Thank you to the City of Copperas Cove Ladies Prayer Group. There were approximately 250 attendees at the event, this shows we have a healthy community, and thank you to everyone for their support.

Sandy Vegh, 1407 Eagle Trail – Expressed appreciation to City Manager, Steven Alexander and Parks and Recreation Director, Linda Tyler for the many improvements recently made at the Golf Course. The Golf Association purchased the new sign at the entrance of the Golf Course for \$1,500. The Golf Association is also contributing \$5,000 towards the cost of renting a lawn mower. Mr. Vegh said the Golf Association appreciates being involved in the Golf Course again.

#### **G. CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Consideration and action on approval of minutes from September 17, 2002 Regular City Council Meeting. ***Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary***

2. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2002-23 adopting the investment policy of the City of Copperas Cove. ***Steven J. Alexander, City Manager***

The Resolution caption reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2002-23**

#### **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS.**

3. Consideration and action on approval of Resolution No. 2002-24 amending authorized Texas Local Government Investment Pool (TexPool) representatives for the City of Copperas Cove. ***Christine M. Julius, Interim Director of Finance***

The Resolution caption reads as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2002-24**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS, AMENDING AUTHORIZED TEXPOOL REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE**

4. Consideration and action on authorizing the VFW to hold its 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Veterans Day Parade on Monday, November 11, 2002. ***Tim Molnes, Police Chief***

5. Consideration and action on a request by the Chamber of Commerce for the use of Ogletree Gap Preserve for the Ogletree Gap Heritage Festival on October 18, 19 and 20, 2002. ***Linda Tyler, Parks and Recreation Director***

Council Member Gallen made a motion to approve consent items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. Council Member Heinze seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

**H. PUBLIC HEARINGS/ACTION – None.**

**I. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Consideration and action on changing the date of the first regular City Council meeting in November. ***Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary***

Council Member Smith made a motion to change the date of the first regular City Council meeting in November to Monday November 4, 2002. Council Member Clayton seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

2. Consideration and action on authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with the Copperas Cove Athletic Officials Association (CCAOA) for officials and scorekeepers at youth and adult leagues events. ***Linda Tyler, Parks and Recreation Director***

Council Member Gallen made a motion to approve the item as presented. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

3. Consideration and action on Resolution No. 2002-25 supporting a Veterans' Home in the City of Burnet. ***Pamela Russell, City Secretary***

Council Member Diaz made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2002-25. Council Member Clayton seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

The Resolution caption reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2002-25**

**A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS BY THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS TO HAVE A TEXAS STATE VETERANS' HOME BUILT IN BURNET, TEXAS**

4. Consideration and action on removing Ordinance 2002-15, amending the existing franchise agreement between the City of Copperas Cove and TXU Gas Company, from the table. ***Pamela Russell, City Secretary***

Council Member Heinze made a motion to approve the item as presented, Council Member Gallen seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

5. Consideration and action on Ordinance No. 2002-15 amending the existing franchise agreement between the City of Copperas Cove and TXU Gas Company. ***James R. Thompson, Interim City Attorney***

Council Member Diaz made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2002-15. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

The Ordinance caption reads as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2002-15**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING GAS FRANCHISE BETWEEN THE CITY AND TXU GAS COMPANY, TO PROVIDE FOR A DIFFERENT CONSIDERATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LEASE OF FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY'S RIGHTS-OF-WAY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR ACCEPTANCE BY TXU GAS COMPANY; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.**

**J. STAFF REPORTS** – None.

**K. REPORTS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS**

1. Skate Board Park Committee Report. <b><i>Charlotte Heinze, Council Member</i></b>
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Charlotte Heinze, Council Member reported that the individuals serving on the Skate Board Park Committee were working very hard on the project, and they hope to have it completed soon. There will be a fund-raiser to be held at the Y.M.C.A., including a display of Skate Board Park equipment. The Copperas Cove Independent School District did approve leasing the land for the Skate Board Park.

**L. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Mayor Pro Tem Diaz - Joe's Road and Railroad Right of Way Acquisition – update requested.

Mayor Nauert – Ogletree Gap Pavilion – update requested.

**M. EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None.

**N. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION RESULTING FROM ANY ITEMS POSTED AND LEGALLY DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Rodney G. Nauert, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Pamela J. Russell, TRMC, City Secretary