

**CITY OF COPPERAS COVE
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2003 - 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 7:05 p.m.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Owsley 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
Annabelle Smith

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

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Owsley

- Last week the Sunshine Home had a fire drill. I would like to thank Fire Inspector, Johnnie Caraway for the fantastic job he did, and also the Fire Department for their participation. All the seniors were able to be out of the Sunshine Home in three minutes.

Council Member Heinze

- This past Saturday the "Battle of the Bands" raised over \$1,300.00 towards funding the Stake Park. I commend the kids for a great job!

Council Member Gallen

- The third annual "Polar Bear Splash" will be held at City Park Pool on Saturday, February 1, 2003 at Noon. Come and meet the polar bears!

Council Member Clayton

- Thanks to everyone for coming tonight.

Mayor Nauert

- Many Fort Hood soldiers are facing deployment, I would like to give thanks to the troops that are deploying for serving our country, and want to urge the families of the deploying troops to stay here in Copperas Cove, and keep your children in our Copperas Cove schools. Copperas Cove is your home now.

E. PUBLIC RECOGNITION

1. Presentation – The Golf Course Association will present a check for the sum of \$5,000.00 to the City of Copperas Cove Municipal Golf Course, and the Women’s Golf Course Association will present a check for the sum of \$1,000.00 to the City of Copperas Cove Municipal Golf Course.

Mayor Nauert introduced Copperas Cove Golf Course Association Members Paul Florio and Sandy Vegh. Mr. Florio presented Darrell Eshelman, Golf Course Professional with a check for the sum of \$5,000.00. Mr. Florio said one of the goals of the Association was to enhance the beautification and playability of the course. Darrell Eshelman said he was overwhelmed by the support and generosity of the Association. Glenda Spate, Copperas Cove Women’s Golf Course Association presented Darrell Eshelman with a check for the sum of \$1,000.00. Mr. Eshelman said the money would be put towards very good use, and noted that the Women’s Association had done a marvelous job raising funds and were very generous with money and support for the Golf Course. Mr. Eschelman added he was proud to be a part of this City.

2. Presentation – Certificates of Recognition to youth volunteers in the Salvation Army Annual Bell ringing Fund Raiser.

Council Member Heinze and Jan Murphy, Parks and Recreation Coordinator presented certificates of recognition to the following youth of Copperas Cove: Cami Peralta, Kris Deaton-Heinze, Tiffany Tolleson, Tranel Jones, Stephanie Shannon, Tiffany Gonzales, Francine Hinds, Jeni Moulton, Alicia Wells, Christen Starks, Daniel Wolf, Heather Rousdon, Margie Martinez, Sharlette Jennings, Sierra Volut, Sorrel Mitchell, Thelma Hart, Anthony Loya, and Jennifer Tolleson. The volunteers gave of their time to ring bells for the Salvation Army kettle fundraiser. All together the youth gave a total of 85 hours volunteer time. Council Member Heinze thanked the youth for their dedication to our community, and asked for a round of applause for the recipients of the certificates.

3. Proclamation and Presentation – Service Recognition Awards to past Board of Adjustment and Planning and Zoning Commission members.

Mayor Nauert read the proclamation. Council Member John Gallen said this recognition of service has been a long time coming and it was something that had fell by the way side. Council Member Gallen said that the recognition was being given to those who chose to serve the community very well, and added indeed this is a community for family living.

Recognition Awards were presented to past Planning and Zoning Commissioners: Judy Bowen, Larry Fabian, Clyde Glosson, Ronald Lawson, Roger O’Dwyer, Joyce Wilson.

Past Board of Adjustment Members: Vicki Cantrell, Teddy Joe Gooch, Tim Leverenz, Frederick Harris.

Past Planning and Zoning Commissioners and Board of Adjustment Members: Bradi Diaz, John Gallen.

Each award recipient thanked the Mayor and expressed gratitude for being allowed to serve the community in that capacity.

4. Presentation – Woman of Distinction Bluebonnet Award.

Barbara Simpson, asked Girl Scouts Katie Johnson and Alyssa Cummings to present prior Women of Distinction Bluebonnet Award recipients to Council Members Bradi Diaz and Charlotte Heinze with a bouquet of flowers. Barbara Simpson announced that Carol O'Dwyer had been selected as a Bluebonnet Woman of Distinction for the year 2003. Barbara Simpson said the Bluebonnet Women of Distinction were role models for girls scouts and other women.

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.

Bernice Letzer, 2908 Oak Hill Drive – The City Deer Survey results showed that 65% of citizens said we don't have a problem with the deer. Ms. Letzer asked the City Council "Why did you send the form out, if you are not going to pay attention to the results of the survey, and ask to bring this item back for discussion at the upcoming retreat?". Ms. Letzer added that if the council takes action with this issue, it will cost the whole of the City money, not just the citizens who are experiencing a problem with deer.

G. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Consideration and action on approval of minutes from January 7, 2003 Regular City Council Meeting. **Pamela J. Russell, City Secretary**

2. Consideration and action on authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with PPM of San Antonio, Texas, for the installation of new pumps and related work at the Taylor Mountain Pump Station in the amount of \$177,900.00. **Paul M. Boyer, P.E., City Engineer**

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

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS/ACTION

1a. Public Hearing on acceptance of a petition for voluntary annexation of Mesa Verde at Skyline Addition. **David Lilley, City Planner/Building Official**

Mayor Nauert opened the public hearing.

Speaking For: David Lilley, City Planner
Jack Purcell, Engineer representing the developers of this subdivision.

Speaking Against: No one spoke.

1b. Consideration and action on acceptance of a petition for voluntary annexation of Mesa Verde at Skyline Addition. **David Lilley, City Planner/Building Official**

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

2a. Public Hearing on acceptance of a petition for voluntary annexation of House Creek North Subdivision, Phase One, and two adjacent roadways. **David Lilley, City Planner/Building Official**

Mayor Nauert opened the public hearing.

Speaking For: David Lilley, City Planner

Speaking Against: No one spoke.

2b. Consideration and action on acceptance of a petition for voluntary annexation of House Creek North Subdivision, Phase One, and two adjacent roadways. **David Lilley, City Planner/Building Official**

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

I. ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration and action on appointment of fourteen (14) Board of Director members to the Keep Copperas Cove Beautiful Commission. **Amy Anderson, Recycling Coordinator**

Council Member Heinze made a motion to appoint Dorothy Forbes, Stephanie Malley, John Moltz, Jr., Joyce Wislon, Ira Brand, Klaudia Brand, Debbie Dewald, Mike Wilburn, Tamara Hill, Debbie Dewald, Teresa Chavez, Jane Fritz, Andrea Howard, Tom Camacho, and Orville Maaninga to the Keep Copperas Cove Beautiful Commission. Council Member Gallen seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, motion carried.

J. STAFF REPORTS

1. Financial Report for the month ended October 31, 2002. **Robert Camareno, Assistant City Manager/ Director of Finance**

Steven Alexander, City Manager, introduced Robert Camareno as the new Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance. Robert Camareno, Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance gave the financial report for the month ended October 31, 2002.

K. REPORTS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS – None.

L. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Council Member Owsley - Cemetery Committee Update Workshop.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pursuant to §551.074 of the Open Meetings Act. *Tex. Gov't Code*, Council will meet in Executive Session to deliberate will meet in Executive Session to deliberate on the duties and responsibilities of the City Attorney.

Mayor Nauert closed the Regular session of the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

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

Mayor Nauert reopened the regular session of the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Mayor Nauert announced the Executive Session item M-1 was for information purposes only, and no action would be taken.

O. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Rodney G. Nauert, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela J. Russell, TRMC, City Secretary