

THE CITY OF WOODBRANCH VILLAGE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

The City of Woodbranch Village council met in a special meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 30, 2014, in the City Hall Building at 58A Woodbranch Drive, New Caney, Texas, 77357. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Johnny Wolfe. Roll call showed as being present City Attorney Leonard Schneider, Councilman Scott Essmeier, Councilman Melvin Mixon, Mayor Johnny Wolfe, Councilman Charles Bordelon and Councilwoman Vera Craig. City Secretary Charlotte Smith was present to take the minutes of the meeting. Councilman Melvin Mixon led the meeting with a prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#5. Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meetings Act TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.071 – To receive legal advice on policing methods and traffic control and to discuss General Orders Policy 4.3 regarding Career Development Promotions and Transfers (Leonard Schneider, City Attorney)
Council went in to closed session at 7:00p.m., and reconvened in to open session at 7:41 p.m.

#6. Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meetings Act TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.074 – To discuss personnel matters - to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, duties, of a public officer or employee – current police officers of the City of Wood Branch Village Police Department – Police Chief Andre Singleton, Officer Jason Coble, Officer Mark Divel and Officer Eric Pitts
Council went in to closed session at 7:43p.m

#7. Reconvene
Council reconvened in to open session at 8:33 p.m.

#8. Take action on closed executive session
Councilman Melvin Mixon made the motion to rescind the motion, previously made during the August 2014 regular meeting, to approve the promotion of Officer Mark Divel to Lieutenant Supervisor due to the lack of submission of a letter of intent for the position, not meeting the minimum 3/5 year police experience and the lack of 1 year experience active duty performed as a Sergeant which is required by the general orders. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott Essmeier, motion carried.

There was no action taken on the Officer Coble or Officer Pitts.

Councilman Melvin Mixon made the motion to create a work lists to monitor the activities of the police department more closely, with regard to Chief Singleton. The motion was second by Councilman Scott Essmeier, motion carried.

#9. Announcements and requests for future agenda item
Councilman Scott Essmeier announced that the New Caney Volunteer Fire Department will have hold an open house at Fire Station 151 on FM1485 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 31, 2014. The need to schedule a special meeting to discuss employee/personnel of the police department was announced.

#10. Adjourn
The motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. was made by Councilman Scott Essmeier. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Vera Craig, motion carried.

