# **CITY OF HIDEAWAY, TEXAS**

### **BOARD OF ALDERMAN**

#### **REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING**

## IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE

HIDEAWAY LAKE CLUB, INC.

#### **COMMUNITY BUILDING**

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2020 @ 4:00PM

The regular public meeting of June 25, 2020 was called to order at 4:00 PM by Mayor Ray Hutcheson. In addition to the Mayor, Aldermen Peacock, Mullins, Hoffman, Bonds, and Samples were present. The guests were Dr. Sue Royappa and Nancy Pfeifle. Mayor Hutcheson asked Alderman Bonds to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Then Alderman Peacock said a prayer.

Mayor Hutcheson asked for the approval of the minutes of the previous special meetings held May 25, 2020. These had been received electronically by the Aldermen. Aldermen Peacock moved that they be accepted. Aldermen Bomds seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the report by the Treasurer. He reported that he is busy with the audit and had sent out all the letters about payments received. The Mayor asked that Alderman Mullins not tie up a great deal of the city funds due to possibly needing funds for expenses involved with the Covid-19 study.

The next item was a review of the discussion by Alderman Bonds with the TML, regarding insurance coverage for the city and Dr. Sue regarding the testing program. The discussion was over a conference call with the TML. The call was with our Underwriter and our field representative. They went over a paper that Dr. Sue had prepared that laid out the responsibilities of the city and of Dr. Sue

and Net Health. They went over each item and the TML did not have a problem with any of it. Alderman Bonds said that what made all the difference was that NextHealth is involved. They were also pleased with how we plan to protect the information gathered. The underwriters sent an email to the Mayor later saying that everything is okay. Dr. Sue will be working as a volunteer for the city and is covered under our policy. Alderman Bonds stated that he is now 100% behind the city's participation in this study. Dr. Sue then spoke about how the people would be chosen to participate in the study. She said that it would be on a first come, first serve basis. The participants would be those that have not experienced any symptoms and would be limited to 300 people. She would handle the website and the article for the newspaper to recruit individuals. Alderman Peacock asked if we had confirmation that this test is reimbursable by these state funds. The Mayor said that yes, this test is reimbursable by the Texas CARES CRF Funding.

Mayor Hutcheson then moved on to the two Resolutions that he had prepared. One of these was a Resolution naming Dr. Sue as the Chief Health Officer of the City of Hideaway with a stated term. Alderman Sample moved that the resolution be adopted, and Alderman Bonds seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The second Resolution was for the adoption of the program to conduct Covid-19 serology test program for Hideaway. This will enable the Mayor to apply for the grant from the State of Texas under the CARES ACT Coronavirus Relief fund for the testing program. The motion was made by Alderman Bonds and seconded by Alderman Hoffman. The vote was taken and passed unanimously. A motion was then made by Alderman Bonds to authorize the Mayor to apply for this grant by filling out all the paperwork and sending it in. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion regarding the City Emergency Management Coordinator. The present Coordinator, Dr. Brown, has resigned. An ad will run in the paper to find a replacement. Alderman Peacock brought up that he felt that there needs to be a clear definition of his responsibilities.

The last item was for any issues that need to be discussed but not in need of a vote. Alderman Hoffman brought up that he feels that Hideaway needs to find other ways to pay for Fire Protection. The Mayor has spoken with several Smith County officials and would forward this information to Alderman Hoffman.

The Mayor then adjourned the meeting at 5:30PM.

Respectively submitted,

**Judy Blossom** 

**City Secretary**