**ZONING COMMISSION**

**MINUTES**

**JULY 31, 2019**

A meeting of the Zoning Commission was held on July 31, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in City Hall, 1313 N. Stuart Place Road, Palm Valley, Texas. Those in attendance were:

Mayor George Rivera

Bill Greer

Geane Gill

Phill Perez

Benito de Leon

Absent: Alex Hinojosa, Jr.

Vice Chair B. Greer called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Mayor Rivera thanked the Board for their willingness to serve and explained that while the Board has not met in a while, he is looking to get them involved in some of the City’s endeavors, particularly, drainage. Mayor Rivera briefed the Board on plans to do the first pond on the golf course on Bougainvillea and also do some drainage out to the east of Palm Valley. Mayor Rivera stated that it is the City’s responsibility to improve the City’s drainage systems and he is asking that the Board help the Council with some of the decisions that will have to be made.

**NEW OFFICERS SELECTED**

1. Gill commented that the Board is a standing committee and both B. Greer and A. Hinojosa, have been involved in zoning before. G. Gill proposed that A. Hinojosa, Jr. Serve as the Chairman and B. Greer continue to serve as the Vice Chair. G. Gill added that as the Board continues to meet, there will be others that will have a lot of ideas and this Board can have public meetings and can meet without any prearranged agendas

G. Gill made a motion to appoint A. Hinojosa, Jr. as Chairman and B. Greer as Vice Chairman.

Vice Chair B. Greer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously by those present.

**RESIGNATIONS OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEMBERS ACCEPTED**

G. Gill made a motion to accept the resignations submitted by Charles Ramsey and Bob Ermey.

1. Perez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously by those present.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JULY 6, 2017 APPROVED**

1. De Leon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. G. Gill seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously by those present.

It was noted that although not all current Board members were present at the meeting, this does not prohibit them from voting on the approval of the minutes.

1. Geane asked that a workshop be planned soon. The Board can have workshops and can do things that the Council cannot do. The Board got appointed for a reason and it is to serve the community. The Board is being asked to review the pond issue and meetings could be held as often as the Chairman calls them. This Board can serve as a second set of eyes for the Council.

Edna Butler asked the Board if any of them were members of the Country Club and commented that it would be best if the Board consisted of non members of the Club. She asked that the citizens be allowed to provide input at the workshops.

G.Gill replied that the Board members do not have any conflict of interest and the City has no ownership rights to the Club. He added that concern that is out in the community is the basic feeling that the City will spend tax dollars on a private entity which is an incorrect statement. The City is doing it for the benefit of the entire City and the Council is turning to the Zoning Commission to help the community to understand.

With no further comments, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m. upon a motion by P. Perez and a second by B. de Leon.

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Bill Greer, Vice Chairman

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Sylvia R. Trevino, City Secretary