MINUTES OF A PUBLIC MEETING COMMUNITY FORUM (TOWN HALL MEETING) MARCH 3, 2020

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

COUNCIL MEMBER DAN CHISHOLM COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN CLARIDGE MAYOR PRO TEM JOE ASHTON

STAFF PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER MARVIN GREGORY
PW DIRECTOR GORDON SMITH
PW ADMIN ASSISTANT MARIA TUEME
EMERGENCY MGT JAMES MYRICK
DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF CHUCK STEWART
EVENT CENTER DIRECTOR SHIRLEY WHEAT

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBER DARREN HOUK MAYOR HERMAN EARWOOD COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE HOLLAND

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting started at 6:05 P.M.

PWD Smith introduced US Census Chairman Shirley Wheat. It was talked about how important the Census is and how important it is to spread the word out to get money for the area. Signs are being placed throughout the area and there will be magnetic signs on the garbage trucks and city trucks to promote the Census. Census forms should be in the mail between now and July. Questions were asked and answered from the audience.

PWD Smith introduced Deputy Police Chief Chuck Stewart. It was talked about how older generations are an easy target for scams and to keep an eye on your elderly neighbors and family members. Several examples of scams were talked about that were happening in this area. It is highly recommended calling the Police Department if they get calls for money, etc. so they can investigate and see if it is legit. The elderly are easy targets because they usually live alone or have no on visiting them. Also, there continues to be a lot of vehicle break-ins. It is recommended not to leave purses, phones, laptops, etc. in your vehicles. Questions were asked and answered from the audience.

PWD Smith introduced Emergency Management Coordinator James Myrick. The Coronavirus has hit Tennessee. A video of epidemics and pandemics were showed to the audience (https://knowwhat2do.com/epidemics-pandemics/). Also played was a safety emergency video. Since there is no triage place in River Oaks, it is recommended for people to stay in their house. Fliers about the Coronavirus were handed out to the audience. Also reminded to all that above ground swimming pools hold water and can attract mosquitos so keep them clean. Questions were asked and answered from the audience.

PWD Smith gave quick updates: Roberts Cut Off from Meandering to River Oaks Blvd. will be blocked off to install a 12 inch main. Phase II Water is at the Water Development Board under review. Phase II Sewer is almost complete. There is construction on Long and Shenna. The City of Fort Worth's sewer main replacement project is underway.

THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL TAKEN.

At approximately 6:50 p.m. the Community Forum (Town Hall Meeting) ended.

APPROVED:

Joe Ashton, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Paula Luck, City Secretary