MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL AUGUST 11, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR HERMAN EARWOOD
MAYOR PRO TEM JOANN GORDON
COUNCIL MEMBER JOANN BUTLER
COUNCIL MEMBER JOE CREWS
COUNCIL MEMBER R.R. "BOB" MINTER
COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE HOLLAND

STAFF PRESENT:

CITY SECRETARY MARVIN GREGORY
POLICE CHIEF DAN CHISHOLM
OFFICE MANAGER PAULA LUCK
PUBLIC WORKS DIR JAMES HATLEY
FIRE CHIEF RON SHORT
LT. AVIN CARTER
SGT CHUCK STEWART
COMMUNITY CENTER DIR SHIRLEY BLOOMFIELD
COMMUNITY CENTER DIR SHIRLEY WHEAT

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Earwood called the Special Called Meeting of the River Oaks City Council to order at 6:02 p.m. on Thursday, August 11, 2011 at the River Oaks Fire Department, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. INVOCATION

PW Director Hatley delivered the Invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG

NONE

4. WORKSHOP: 2011-2012 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

CS Gregory went over the General Fund Revenues totaling \$4,078,973. CS Gregory read over the memo to the City Council. The General Fund Expenditures do not include capital of \$126,726 and salary increases. Capital is listed separately at the end of the budget. We are proposing to move Edward Sherif (Warrant Officer) to the Crime Budget. With that, we show a surplus of \$207,225. Legal fees have been reduced by the attorney only attending one meeting a month. Also proposing is a Drainage Access Fee in the Water-Sewer Fund which is state mandated. This would take 60 days to get the fee established. Also proposing a 2% rate decrease in Sewer.

The City Council discussed the current and new proposed list in General Fund. Fire Chief Short explained why the city needs to keep Greg Stockton doing the annual fire inspections. Hotel/Motel Tax was discussed.

The City Council discussed in detail by department the General Fund expenditures:

COUNCIL:

All agreed for no one to attend TML in Houston this year.

COURT:

Change Office Supplies to \$1,000; change Travel & Training to \$1,800.

FIRE:

Change Furniture & Fixtures to \$500; hold off on the MDC's.

POLICE:

Pay 20% of Edward Sherif's (Warrant Officer) salary out of Court Security and 80% out of the police budget; move the camera systems of \$8,000 to Court Security; Dan Chisholm and Linda Claridge are retiring around

March 2012.

ACO:

Discussed contract with Town & Country Vet. Decided to not renew the contract with Town & Country Vet of \$40,000 and enter into a contract with the City of Sansom Park for \$5,000.

5. **ACTION FROM WORKSHOP IF ANY**

Next Budget Workshop will be August 16th, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

6. ADJOURN

At 9:43 p.m. Council Member Holland moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Gordon, to adjourn the meeting. All voted "Aye."

APPROVED:

Herman Earwood, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marvin Gregory, City Secretary