

**The Village of Wimberley
Regular City Council Meeting
14500 RR 12 – Suite 22
Thursday, January 4, 2001**

A REGULAR MEETING of the Village of Wimberley City Council was held on Thursday, January 4th, 2001, a notice of said meeting having been posted at least 72 hours in advance and in accordance with Section 551, Texas Government Code. Mayor Linda Hewlett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Wimberley City Hall, *Wimberley Mountain Plaza #22*.

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Hewlett called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.
2. **Invocation** was delivered by Reverend Ted Knies.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mayor Hewlett.
4. **Roll Call** Present were: Mayor Linda Hewlett
Councilman Walter Brown
Councilwoman Martha Knies
Councilman Tony McGee
Councilman Matt Manis
Absent: Councilman Steve Klepfer
5. **Consent Items.** The minutes of the December 21st Council meeting were approved as submitted.
6. **Presentations of Citizens.** None.

Mayor Hewlett introduced Don Campbell, the city's new Municipal Judge and David Sander, who will be the City Prosecutor, and Charles "Mac" McClure, new Editor of the *Wimberley View*.
7. **Reports from Committees:** None.
8. **Old Business**
 - A. Discussion and Possible Action to amend the PEC Franchise Ordinance for the Village of Wimberley.

Councilman Tony McGee stated that the amendment to the ordinance was not completed for presentation to the Council. He said that a question had arisen regarding the rate and after consultation, the Village attorney had asked that Council defer action on this item until the next meeting in order that he might consult with the PEC attorney to seek some clarification.

The item was continued.

9. New Business. None.

Discussions:

Councilman Manis informed members that the last two times he had come to city hall when no one was present, the thermostat was set at 72 degrees and that last month's electric bill was \$336 which he felt was exorbitant. He asked that everyone who accesses the building for meetings turn the thermostat down or off when they leave. And that notice be posted near the thermostat.

Mayor Hewlett stated that there had been problems with the heater in the building and there was also some problems in the attic, i.e., insulation, etc. that needed correcting.

Councilman Brown stated that he had been informed by one of his committee members that there was a roof turbine missing over a ventilator and that rain was coming in, which should also be reported to the landlord.

Councilman McGee stated that under the terms of our lease, the landlord is responsible for correcting these problems. Councilman Manis will contact the landlord.

10. Items from Council

Councilman Tony McGee, in answer to questions regarding the date PEC might give the Village their first franchise check, stated it would probably be when the ordinance contents were satisfactory to them and it is passed by Council which could possibly be at the next meeting.

Councilman Brown stressed that while this meeting might be an easy one, he had four items that will make the January 18th meeting considerably longer, i.e.,

1. Discussion and possible action on extension of the Tele-communications Moratorium for either 30 or 60 days.
2. Discussion, public hearing and possible action on Village of Wimberley Sign Ordinance.
3. Set a date for public hearing and date for possible Council action on Village of Wimberley Subdivision Ordinance.
4. Discussion of timeline and process for advertisement for the position of Village of Wimberley Building Commissioner.

Regarding the sign ordinance, Councilman Brown stated the Sign Ordinance Committee of the Planning and Zoning Commission have completed their work on the recommended ordinance and the P&Z Commission would be holding public hearings on the 8th and the 15th for citizen input. The recommended ordinance will come before Council on the 18th.

Councilman McGee stated that, in meeting with the Mayor and Judge Campbell, it was recognized that there would be a need to provide assistance to the Village Court by way of appointing a City Marshall to serve papers that would be generated by the court. He will be looking into that matter and will likely bring a recommendation to the Council at the next meeting.


Mayor Hewlett reminded everyone that there will be a special "called" meeting on January 25th at which time all volunteers serving on the various Village committees are specifically requested to attend. There will be presentations from the chairpersons of all the committees. Everyone is invited to hear their reports regarding what each committee has done in the last few months and projections regarding their work for the next few months. This is also an excellent opportunity for each committee to find out what is happening with other committees to keep the communication flowing between the groups. Councilmembers were requested to remind all committee chairpersons to prepare a presentation.

Councilman McGee stated that it was decided in the aforementioned meeting with the Mayor and Judge Campbell, that the Village Municipal Court will initially be held at the City Hall on the first Wednesday of each month – during the day - for any business being brought before it. On that date, the city hall will be open only for court purposes in the event there is a proceeding that is set to go forward in the court. Initially, it was thought that the Village Court would meet at Judge Cable's office in the evening but upon reconsideration, it was decided that it might be better to have Court during the daytime.


Councilwoman Martha Knies called attention to the chairs in the city hall that were donated by the Library and that they are greatly appreciated. And, that the work has been completed on the in the ADA compliant bathroom and that the walls in the Mayor's office have been painted. The Mayor thanked Bill Dunn for doing the work in the City Hall at cost. And, she wished to thank Bert and Julie Ray for the donation of a filing cabinet.

Councilwoman Knies stressed that anyone who has an opinion on any of the ordinances that will be set for public hearing at the next few meetings should be urged to attend so they may have some input into the final product of ordinance content.

There being no objection, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



Jimmie Robinson
Acting City Secretary



Mayor Linda Hewlett

The next regular meeting of the Village Council will be held Thursday, January 18th. There will be a "called" meeting of the Village Council on January 25, at 7 p.m.