



# CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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## CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING February 22, 2021

The City Council of the City of Jamaica Beach, Texas held a regular meeting on Monday, February 22, 2021, at City Hall, 16628 San Luis Pass Road, Jamaica Beach, Texas. Members of the public were invited to attend the meeting in person or by video or audio conference.

Present:	Mayor Pro Tem:	Sherwood Green
	Aldermen:	Clay Morris
		Terry Rizzo
		Marci Kurtz-Hoffman
		Russell Rupertus

Interim City Administrator: Brad Heiman

With a quorum of the Council Members present, Mayor Pro Tem Sherwood Green called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance to U.S. and Texas flag.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting on January 18, 2021.

A motion was made by Alderman Rizzo to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council meeting January 18, 2021 and Alderman Morris seconded the motion. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

2. Discussion and possible action to approve A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR SUBMITTING, RECEIVING, AND PROCESSING REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION (OPEN RECORDS); AND PROVIDING RULES AND STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS IN A PUBLIC INFORMATION POLICY.

A motion was made by Alderman Hoffman to approve A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR SUBMITTING, RECEIVING, AND PROCESSING REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION (OPEN RECORDS); AND PROVIDING RULES AND STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS IN A PUBLIC INFORMATION POLICY. Alderman Morris seconded the motion. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discussion and consideration of the design and implantation of a new website for the City.

A motion was made by Alderman Rizzo to accept the proposal from Civic-CMC for the City's new website and Alderman Morris seconded the motion. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

2. Discussion and possible action to appoint Georgia Carmack as the City's Pool Supervisor.

A motion was made by Alderman Morris to appoint Georgia Carmack as the City's Pool Supervisor and Alderman Rupertus seconded the motion. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

## REPORTS

### CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Brad Heiman, Interim City Administrator reported the City plans on filing a damage claim via FEMA/TDEM for the Storm Event. U.S.W. assigned representative, Chris, did a remarkable job with as many leaks as was discovered. A report will be submitted to Council at the March meeting as to detail claim information.

### MAYOR

No report given.

### ALDERMEN

Alderman Morris suggested the City consider placing a dumpster (roll-off container) in the City Park for disaster clean-up as well as allowing citizens to discard palm tree prongs along the dune lines for replenishment of the dune system. He advised the City needs to improve the system of how water meters are placed and improvement of shut-off valve placement so that individual water meters can be turned on and off easier. He also suggested getting special assistance to citizens for anticipated large water bill caused by the leaks.

Alderman Rupertus commented on how proud he was of the citizens helping and he observed so many acts of kindness.

Alderman Rizzo commented on all the acts of kindness observed by her during the winter weather event.

Alderman Hoffman reported the Mardi Gras Golf Cart Parade will not be rescheduled. She suggested furthering assistance to citizens by having a vendor do a plant sell in the park to help replaced damaged plants. She also commented on all the kind acts by all the citizens and advised that she is looking forward to improved communication during these types of events going forward.

### POLICE

John Aucoin, Interim Police Chief gave a brief summary of the report. He reported during the winter event the police responded to 47 welfare checks of citizens, the police officers did a great job throughout the event, during the month of January, the police

had (4) incident calls for service, two domestic violence calls and two cases were sent to the District Attorney's Office, the police also wrote (93) citations for the month.

**FIRE**

No report given.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** It is anticipated that all, or a portion of the discussion of the following items, if any, will be conducted in closed executive session under authority of the Texas Open Meetings Act. However, no action will be taken on these items until the City Council reconvenes in open session.

**At: 6:27 p.m. the Mayor Pro Tem announced that the City Council was recessing into closed executive session under the personnel matters.**

a. For the purpose of deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer (§551.074 Personnel Matters).

**RECONVENE** At 7:36 p.m. reconvened into Open Session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session. The City Council reconvened in open session.

**No action was taken.**

**ADJOURNMENT** A motion was made by Alderman Rizzo and seconded by Alderman Morris to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

These minutes were approved on the \_\_\_ day of March, 2021.

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Steve Spicer, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Crystal R. Dozier. TRMC, City Secretary