

CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 17, 2011 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pierson called the meeting to order.

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS

Chief McLane led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

The following City Councilmember's were present:

Mayor Victor Pierson MPT Eddie Burke Alderman Mary Morse Alderman Gene Montgomery Alderman Brad South

The following staff was present: City Administrator, John Brick City Secretary, Lupe Rushing Police Chief, Andy McLane

The following Councilmember and staff were absent: Alderman Sherwood Green

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS DRAFT CITY PARKS ORDINANCE.

Chief McLane presented a draft ordinance pertaining to parks throughout the city. Mayor Pierson suggest adding the beachfront lots from the Buyout Program, he would like to include them as parks. Chief McLane provided a brief explanation of the draft ordinance and requests any recommendations from Council and citizens before finalizing the ordinance.

Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, spoke about beach access.

Bunny Zapalac, 16603 Comorant, inquired if Flamingo Way is designated as a park would everybody be able to fish there.

2. DISCUSS DRAFT RV & TRAILER ORDINANCE.

Chief McLane presented a draft ordinance pertaining to RV's, trailers, boats, ect. on private property. He requested Council and citizen input regarding the ordinance before finalizing it.

Margaret Lloyd, 16643 Bahama Way, does not think the ordinance should include boats and/or boat trailers.

3. DISCUSS LEASE/PURCHASE OF POLICE FLEET.

Chief McLane provided Council with a quote for a lease-to-purchase agreement for 3 new police vehicles. Mayor Pierson suggest buying 1 new vehicle outright since it was in the budget then use reserve funds to purchase another vehicle before the end of this fiscal year instead of paying the interest rate in the quote.

4. DISCUSS DREDGING ENTRANCE TO MAIN CANAL.

MPT Burke said he believes the entrance to the main canal needs to be dredge, especially since we are a boating community. He suggests applying for a grant to help with the cost. Mayor Pierson directed staff to research the cost to dredge the canal.

Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, inquired if the dredging would include debris from all the canals.

Mayor Pierson replied that it would not include dredging all the canals, just the main entrance. He explained that dredging is very expensive.

CITIZEN INPUT

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON JANUARY 17, 2011.) *There were no requests to address Council.*

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.



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CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

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PRESENTATIONS:

1. DONATION FROM JAMAICA JANES TO CITY PARK.

Ginger Jones attended the meeting on behalf of the Jamaica Janes and presented donation in the amount of \$1,050 to the city park.

2. PRESENTATION FROM POLICE CHIEF FOR CITIZEN RECOGNITION.

Police Chief McLane presented JBIC, Marvy Finger, Ron Nichols, Don Curson, Dusty Kent, Xtralight Manufacturing and Breathwit Marine with a recognition plaque. He announced that all the individuals, companies and organizations mentioned have contributed to the city and wanted to thank each of them with a little token of appreciation.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- 1. CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:
 - a. WORKSHOP MEETING DECEMBER 06, 2010
 - b. SPECIAL CALLED MEETING DECEMBER 06, 2010
 - c. WORKSHOP MEETING JANUARY 03, 2011

MPT Burke motioned to approve the above listed minutes. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.

2. CONSIDER APPOINTING TWO PARK BOARD MEMBERS: LORRAINE JONES & LINDSAY TOUCHY.

Alderman South motioned to appoint Lorraine Jones and Lindsay Touchy to the Park Board. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.

3. CONSIDER DIRECTING CITY STAFF TO DRAFT A DUMPSTER ORDINANCE.

Alderman Montgomery motioned to direct the city staff to draft a dumpster ordinance. Second by Alderman South. Unanimously approved by those present.

4. CONSIDER APPROVING A VARIANCE FOR BOAT DECKS EXTENSION AT 4224 SPANISH MAIN.

Alderman Montgomery motioned to defer the variance for boat decks extension at 4224 Spanish Main until city staff receives a reply from the neighboring homeowners. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.

5. CONSIDER AWARDING THE TORTUGA WATER LINE AND FIRE HYDRANT CONTRACT TO MATULA & MATULA.

Alderman South motioned to award the Tortuga water line and fire hydrant contract to Matula & Matula. Second by MPT Burke. Unanimously approved by those present.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick reported that the 6 garbage cans on the beach were emptied this morning. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Pierson reported that the new water tower would provide water for the city for 3 days.

ALDERMEN REPORTS

Alderman Montgomery reported about the recent tour of the city's sewer plant; said it was very informative. MPT Burke announced that the drainage project should start soon.

Alderman Morse thanked the Jamaica Janes for their donation to the city park; reported that the Park Pavilion has a new roof; and thanked Taz and Lindsey for joining the Park Board.

Alderman South reported that he looks forward to addressing all issues brought before Council.

POLICE REPORT

Chief McLane reported on the OSSI merger with the Galveston County and how the city saved 40% since the contract was completed by December 31st. He announced that the interior walls in the Police Department was painted for free and invited Council to stop by to view the renovations.

ADJOURN

Mayor Pierson said that if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. Alderman South motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved by those present. The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.