



CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

MAY 22, 2012
6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Victor Pierson called the meeting to order.

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

Alderman Sandy Denby led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

The following Councilmember's were present:

*Mayor Victor Pierson
Alderman Eddie Burke
Alderman Brad South
Alderman Sandy Denby
Alderman Mary Morse
Alderman Gene Montgomery*

The following staff was present:

*City Administrator Brick
City Secretary Rushing
Police Chief McLane*

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- 1. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER.**
City Secretary, Lupe Rushing, administered the Oath of Office to incumbent Eddie Burke.
- 2. DISCUSS APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM.**
Mayor Pierson recommended Eddie Burke to continue as MPT.
- 3. DISCUSS AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF THE MEMORIAL DAY DANCE WITH THE MONIES TO COME FROM THE PARK BOARD FUND, AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.**
Mayor Pierson explained the Memorial Day Dance was an annual event to raise money for the Park Board.
- 4. DISCUSS PAYMENT FOR VAN SCOYOC LOBBYING SERVICE FOR GALVESTON COUNTY BEACH EROSION TASK FORCE.**
City Administrator Brick provided Council with a letter from Galveston County explaining the percentage each city contributes. The City of Jamaica Beach is only responsible for 2.5%, which is \$745.22.
- 5. DISCUSS APPROVING CHANGE OF CONTRACT FROM LEAP ENGINEERING TO LJA ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR BEACH EROSION RESPONSE PLAN.**
City Administrator Brick said LEAP Engineering was bought out by LJA Engineering; there is no change to the contract other than the name of the company.
- 6. DISCUSS DESIGNATING TWO AREAS ON THE BEACH FOR SPECIAL VENDOR PERMITS.**
City Administrator Brick notified the beachfront homeowners about possibly designating an area on the beach for Special Vendor Permits. The beachfront homeowners were opposed to allowing a vendor in-front of their property. Mayor Pierson suggests moving the designated area in-front of a city-owned property, which would be further west than the originally proposed areas.

Annie Fabio, 16511 Jamaica Beach Rd., inquired why the city would want to allow a vendor on the beach.
Ken Henkel, 16527 Jamaica Beach Rd., inquired why the city would want to accommodate visitors.

7. DISCUSS APPROVING A SPECIAL VENDOR PERMIT TO DOC'S FRIO RASPAS TO SELL ON THE BEACH.

Mayor Pierson briefly reminded everyone of the presentation the vendor submitted to Council last month. The vendor is a Jamaica Beach resident.

8. DISCUSS DECLARING 3 PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY IN VIOLATION OF CITY ORDINANCE 2010-1:

- a. **16705 CAPTAIN BLIGH**
- b. **4415 PELICAN WAY**
- c. **16715 TAHITI WAY**

City Administrator Brick said he sent a certified and regular letter to all three homeowner's informing them of the meeting. Mayor Pierson asked if any of the homeowners were present. No homeowners were present. Mayor Pierson recapped yesterday's discussion with Mr. Zapalac regarding 16715 Tahiti Way. Mayor Pierson agreed to defer the property at 16715 Tahiti Way until June 18th at which time Council can decide if the property is in violation. City Administrator Brick informed Council the other homeowner's have not made any contact nor have they shown up to Court to provide any explanation or updates regarding their properties. He request Council to declare the properties in violation, give them 30 days to comply to the code, the 31st day start fining them.

9. DISCUSS ADDING MILITARY VEHICLES TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Chief McLane explained the program; he said he had been working on it for 6 months. The vehicles are ex-military vehicles that are no longer in service; they are donated to qualifying entities free of charge. The City would be responsible for providing liability insurance, which would be less then \$1,200 per year for 3-hummvies and 1-deuce1/2 truck. Members of Council voiced their concerns about the large vehicles being driven around the City and storage issues. Chief McLane said the City of Galveston has agreed to provide storage for the vehicles. Mayor Pierson suggests the vehicles not be driven in Jamaica Beach unless approved by himself or the City Administrator.

CITIZEN INPUT

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON MAY 22, 2012.)

No requests to address Council.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



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CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

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ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- 1. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM.**
Alderman Montgomery motion to appoint Eddie Burke as Mayor Pro-Tem. Second by Alderman South. Unanimously approved.
- 2. CONSIDER FOR ACTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF THE MEMORIAL DAY DANCE WITH THE MONIES TO COME FROM THE PARK BOARD FUND, AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.**
Alderman South motion to authorize the funding of the Memorial Day Dance with the monies to come from the Park Board Fund, amount not to exceed \$10,000. Second by Alderman Denby. Unanimously approved.
- 3. CONSIDER FOR ACTION PAYMENT FOR VAN SCOYOC LOBBYING SERVICE FOR GALVESTON COUNTY BEACH EROSION TASK FORCE.**
Alderman South motion to approve the payment for Van Scoyoc Lobbying Service. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved.
- 4. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING CHANGE OF CONTRACT FROM LEAP ENGINEERING TO LJA ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR BEACH EROSION RESPONSE PLAN.**
MPT Burke motion to approve the change of contract from LEAP Engineering to LJA Engineering. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved.
- 5. CONSIDER FOR ACTION DESIGNATING TWO AREAS ON THE BEACH FOR SPECIAL VENDOR PERMITS.**
Alderman Denby motion to designate a beach area in-front of a city owned property for Special Vendor Permits. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved.
- 6. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING A SPECIAL VENDOR PERMIT TO DOC'S FRIO RASPAS TO SELL ON THE BEACH.**

Alderman Montgomery motion to approve a Special Vendor Permit to Doc's Frio Raspas to sell on the beach in the designated area approved by Council and allow the permit to be revoked anytime at will by Council or the vendor, the vendor will receive a full refund if revoked before Labor Day. Second by Alderman South. Unanimously approved.

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Alderman Denby motion to declare A & B in violation of the city ordinance. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved. C was deferred until June 18th City Council Meeting.

8. CONSIDER FOR ACTION ADDING MILITARY VEHICLES TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Alderman South motion to add military vehicles to the Police Department for disaster use only, the vehicles are not to be driven west of the Seawall unless a declared emergency or approval from the Mayor and/or City Administrator. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick reminded everyone of the Hurricane Meeting on June 2nd at 10:00 a.m.; he said the seaweed will be removed on Thursday before Memorial Weekend.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pierson announced Hurricane Season starts June 1st.

ALDERMEN REPORTS

Alderman Montgomery, Denby and MPT Burke – No Reports

Alderman Morse reminded everyone of the Park Board Memorial Day Dance on Saturday, May 26th.

Alderman South announced the JBVFD July 4th Dance is scheduled for June 30th.

POLICE REPORT

Chief McLane said Cpl. Todaro with assistance from Officer Saucedo arrested 2 unregistered out of town sex offenders.

ADJOURN

MPT Eddie Burke motioned to adjourned. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.