



## CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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### PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 18, 2017  
6:00 P.M.

#### CALL TO ORDER

*Mayor Steve Spicer called the Public Hearing to order.*

#### PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAG

*MPT Gene Montgomery led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flag.*

#### ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

*The following Councilmember's were present:*

*Mayor Steve Spicer  
MPT Gene Montgomery  
Alderman David Welch  
Alderman Rosemary Lindley  
Alderman Sherwood Green  
Alderman Marci Kurtz*

*The following staff was present:*

*City Administrator Brick  
City Secretary Rushing  
Police Chief Heiman*

#### THE SUBJECT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IS AS FOLLOWS:

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF JAMAICA BEACH WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017/2018 AT 6:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017, AT CITY HALL IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 16628 SAN LUIS PASS ROAD, JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS. ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE HEARING. COPIES OF THE BUDGETS ARE AVAILABLE BY REQUEST. THIS BUDGET WILL RAISE THE SAME AMOUNT OF REVENUE FROM PROPERTY TAXES AS LAST YEAR'S BUDGET. THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR IS \$9,612.

*Mayor Spicer read the above notice then opened the Public Hearing for discussion:*

*Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, questioned the funds budgeted for the Court Clerk expense and city electricity.*

*Jay Aubin, 16712 Jolly Roger, questioned the salaries paid from Hotel Occupancy Tax revenue.*

*Russell Rupertus, 16522 Jolly Roger, questioned the funds budgeted for the maintenance and repairs at the City Park.*

*Jack Jordan, 16603 Jolly Roger, recommended that Council should budget funds for ditches.*

#### ADJOURN

*Mayor Spicer adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:08 p.m.*



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## CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP & CALLED MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 18, 2017

6:00 P.M. (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING)

### CALL TO ORDER

*Mayor Steve Spicer called the Workshop & Called Meeting to order.*

### ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

*The following Councilmember's were present:*

*Mayor Steve Spicer  
MPT Gene Montgomery  
Alderman David Welch  
Alderman Rosemary Lindley  
Alderman Sherwood Green  
Alderman Marci Kurtz*

*The following staff was present:*

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City Secretary Rushing  
Police Chief Heiman*

### ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:**
  - a. **WORKSHOP & BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETINGS – JULY 3, 2017**
  - b. **REGULAR CALLED & BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETINGS – JULY 17, 2017**
  - c. **WORKSHOP, BUDGET WORKSHOP & EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETINGS – AUGUST 7, 2017**
  - d. **SPECIAL CALLED MEETING – AUGUST 28, 2017**

*No discussion. Alderman Green motioned to approve the above listed Minutes. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved.*
2. **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION THE LOCATION AND COST FOR THE "FREE LITTLE LIBRARY" PROJECT IN JAMAICA BEACH.**

*Council discussed possible location options for the free library project; the two main locations discussed were City Hall and the City Park.*

*Mayor Spicer opened the item for public comment:*

*Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, recommended the library be installed at the City Park.*

*Jay Aubin, 16712 Jolly Roger, questioned who would be responsible for the library and would the JB Park Board need to approve the library being installed at the City Park.*

*MPT Montgomery motioned for the "free little library" project to be installed at the City Park inside of the Pavillion. Second by Alderman Green. Motion unanimously approved.*

**3. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION REORGANIZATION OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH PARK BOARD.**

*Mayor Spicer made an announcement about Council considering the reorganization of the Jamaica Beach Park Board; he thanked the present committee members and volunteers for their service, especially during city events. Mayor Spicer clarified that the JB Park Board and Galveston Park Board do not have any similarities; JB Park Board is an advisory committee to City Council, whereas, the Galveston Park Board of Trustees is its own entity. Mayor Spicer noted the idea to reorganize the JB Park Board started when the current JB Park Board Chair, Dave Voight informed Council he would be stepping down as Chair when his term expires that is why this item is being considered. Council discussed the JB Park Board being more organized and setting better rules pertaining to membership.*

*Mayor Spicer opened the item for public comment:*

*Lorraine Jones, 16712 Jolly Roger, questioned Council decision to reorganize the JB Park Board; spoke against the reorganization.*

*Jay Aubin, 16712 Jolly Roger, questioned Council decision to reorganize the JB Park Board; spoke against the reorganization.*

*Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, questioned Council decision to reorganize the JB Park Board; spoke against the reorganization.*

*Elena Bloom, 16614 Sandpiper, questioned future JB Park Board membership appointments and events.*

*Jo Beth Berry, 16622 Francis Drake, commented she would like to be considered as a JB Park Board Member when Council decides to reorganize the committee.*

*Alderman Kurtz motioned for the reorganization of the JB Park Board Committee. Second by Alderman Lindley. Motion unanimously approved.*

**4. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE UNITED BOARD OF HEALTH APPOINTMENTS & RE-APPOINTMENTS.**

*City Administrator Brick provided Council a copy of the letter from the Galveston County Health District listing the individuals nominated for the United Board of Health appointments and re-appointments. MPT Montgomery motioned to approve a Resolution endorsing the United Board of Health appointments and re-appointments. Second by Alderman Welch. Motion unanimously approved.*

**5. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING A RESOLUTION NAMING THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH'S NOMINATION(S) FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GALVESTON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT.**

*City Administrator Brick provided Council a copy of the Draft Resolution naming Victor Pierson as the city's nomination for the Board of Directors of the Galveston Central Appraisal District. Alderman Green motioned to approve a Resolution naming Victor Pierson as the City of Jamaica Beach's nomination for the Board of Directors of the Galveston Central Appraisal District. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved.*

**6. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH AND THE CITY OF GALVESTON FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASING DEBRIS REMOVAL, DEBRIS MONITORING, AND DISASTER TECHNICAL SERVICES.**

*City Administrator Brick explained the Interlocal Agreement; he noted the City of Jamaica Beach previously piggy-backed on the City of Galveston's debris contract; FEMA no longer allows cities to piggy-back. Mr. Brick mentioned the Interlocal Agreement is temporary until the City of Jamaica Beach can adopt its own debris contract; the Interlocal Agreement states the City of Jamaica Beach will pay the City of Galveston directly to pick up our debris.*

*Mayor Spicer opened the item for public comment:*

*Leanne Green, 16503 John Silver, inquired if the City of Galveston will be picking up the current debris in Jamaica Beach from Hurricane Harvey.*

City Administrator Brick replied no, citizens have been advised to bring debris to the dumpster behind City Hall.

Lorraine Jones, 16712 Jolly Roger, commented the dumpster was full and needed to be emptied.

Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, questioned if there was a fee for the Interlocal Agreement, if so, was it included in the budget.

Terri Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, commented about contractors placing debris in the dumpster behind City Hall.

Alderman Green motioned to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Jamaica Beach and the City of Galveston for cooperative purchasing debris removal, debris monitoring, and disaster technical services. Second by Alderman Kurtz. Motion unanimously approved.

**7. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH ATKINS NORTH AMERICA, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH OBTAINING A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (USACE) SEAWEED MAINTENANCE PERMIT, DESIGNATING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AS THE CONTRACTING OFFICER.**

City Administrator Brick explained the contract; he noted the Corps of Engineers now requires all cities to obtain their own beach raking permit; the estimated cost for the services provided in the contract is \$25,000 for a 5 year permit. Mr. Brick mentioned the City of Galveston and Galveston Park Board contracted with Atkins for their permit, which took 3 years to obtain.

Mayor Spicer opened the item for public comment:

Russell Rupertus, 16522 Jolly Roger, questioned will the city be able to rake the beach next season without a permit; while trying to obtain a permit.

Dave Mairs, 16519 Frances Drake, inquired about the \$25,000 fee; is that the fee for the permit or the contract.

City Administrator Brick replied the fee is for the contract.

Kristen Dillman, 16616 Sandpiper, questioned what would the city do if the seaweed is bad and the city does not obtain a permit.

Terri Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, commented she believes citizens would like a clean beach, but thinks the contract fee is expensive.

Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, questioned if the city could piggy-back on Galveston's permit.

Elena Bloom, 16614 Sandpiper, questioned if Galveston contracted with Atkins for their permit.

MPT Montgomery motioned to Table the item and directed the City Administrator to request a Representative with Atkins attend the next Council Meeting. Second by Alderman Lindley. Motion unanimously approved.

**8. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT WITH J.A. WHITE AS THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR.**

Mayor Spicer noted the wastewater treatment plant contract amount has been discussed by Council for the past few years at Budget Workshop Meetings; he acknowledged the city contracting with Jerry White as the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator for the past 30+ years; he mentioned Mr. White was also the water contractor prior to the city contracting with Silvas Water and Wastewater Services. Mayor Spicer complimented Jerry White on doing a good job throughout his years of service. Council discussed cancelling the contract with Jerry White and contracting with Raul Silvas for water and wastewater services as being more feasible.

Mayor Spicer opened the item for public comment:

Lorraine Jones, 16712 Jolly Roger, inquired if Raul Silvas was Lupe Rushing's uncle.

City Secretary Rushing replied no, she was not related to Mr. Silvas.

Jack Jordan, 16603 Jolly Roger, inquired if Raul Silvas worked as a subcontractor to Jerry White.

City Secretary Rushing replied no, they are two separate contractors with separate contracts providing different services.

Leanne Green, 16503 John Silver, questioned if Jerry White was aware of the city possibly cancelling his contract; has he been given the option to re-bid his contract.

City Administrator Brick replied yes, Mr. White has been advised.

*Jim Gentile, 16711 Cabeza De Vaca, inquired if the city posted a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the contract.*

*City Administrator Brick replied no.*

*Terry Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, questioned would the RFP contract be for water and wastewater services.*

*Mayor Spicer replied no, the RFP contract would be for a wastewater operator only.*

*MPT Montgomery motioned for the city to seek bids for a Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Contractor. Second by Alderman Kurtz. Motion unanimously approved.*

**9. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION A CONTRACT WITH SILVAS WATER & WASTEWATER SERVICE TO OPERATE THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.**

*MPT Montgomery motioned to Table the item. Second by Alderman Kurtz. Motion unanimously approved.*

**10. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AMENDING THE FOLLOWING GENERAL FUND BUDGET LINE ITEMS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 TO ADJUST AND PROPERLY RECORD THE UNFORSEEN REVENUE/EXPENSES:**

- a. TRANSFER \$1,300 FROM 11040 CITY EXPENSES TO 18004 INSPECTOR/PERMITS.
- b. TRANSFER \$27,300 FROM 40010 POOL SALARIES, \$2,600 FROM 40020 POOL PAYROLL TAXES & \$5,500 FROM 40090 BUILDING/POOL M&R TO 40025 POOL CONTRACT SERVICES.
- c. TRANSFER \$1,400 FROM 14030 PD GASOLINE TO 14012 PD VEHICLE M&R.
- d. TRANSFER \$300 FROM 14026 PD GROUP HEALTH TO 14020 PD WORKERS COMP.
- e. TRANSFER \$1,200 FROM 14026 PD GROUP HEALTH TO 14036 PD UNIFORMS.
- f. TRANSFER \$1,600 FROM 14026 PD GROUP HEALTH TO 14038 PD DUES & ANNUAL FEES.
- g. TRANSFER \$1,000 FROM 13012 STREET M&R TO 13004 TRAFFIC SIGNS.
- h. TRANSFER \$4,600 FROM 13012 STREET M&R TO 13014 DRAINAGE M&R.
- i. TRANSFER \$100 FROM 13012 STREET M&R TO 13022 CITY MOWING.
- j. TRANSFER \$2,500 FROM 13024 BEACH EROSION/CANAL DREDGING TO 13018 BULKHEAD M&R.

*Mayor Spicer read the above budget line item transfers then opened the item for discussion:*

*Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, inquired about the funds being transferred; did the city overspend.*

*City Secretary Rushing clarified there was no change to the overall budget amount; the above budget line item transfers are for auditing purposes only.*

*Alderman Green motioned to amend the above General Fund Budget line items for the FY ending September 30, 2017 to adjust and properly record the unforeseen expenses. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved.*

**11. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AMENDING THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL SERVICES FUND BUDGET LINE ITEMS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 TO ADJUST AND PROPERLY RECORD THE UNFORSEEN EXPENSES:**

- a. TRANSFER \$1,500 FROM 20011 SEWER REPAIRS TO 20012 SEWER TAP EXPENSES.
- b. TRANSFER \$88,000 FROM 20044 MISCELLANEOUS TO 20000 WATER PURCHASES.

*Mayor Spicer read the above budget line item transfers; he noted item 11b. was due to the City of Galveston increasing their water rate. No discussion.*

*Alderman Kurtz motioned to amend the above Municipal Services Fund Budget line items for the FY ending September 30, 2017 to adjust and properly record the unforeseen expenses. Second by Alderman Welch. Motion unanimously approved.*

**12. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGETS.**

*Mayor Spicer read the above item. No discussion. MPT Montgomery motioned to adopt the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budgets. Second by Alderman Green. Motion unanimously approved.*

13. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017, SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX RATE AT \$0.193754 PER \$100 OF PROPERTY VALUE.

*No discussion. Alderman Green motioned to adopt the above caption Ordinance. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved. Creating Ordinance 2017-3.*

14. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE AMENDED FLOOD HAZARD REGULATIONS ENTITLED FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE IN THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS.

*City Administrator Brick noted at the last Council Meeting that Council questioned the downstairs area floor minimum above the slab on page 16 of the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance; the Ordinance originally indicated the downstairs area floor minimum had to be 1 ½ foot above the slab, it has been corrected to 1 ½ inches above the slab. Alderman Green motioned to adopt the above caption Ordinance. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved. Creating Ordinance 2017-4.*

15. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, AMENDING THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM RATES AND CHARGES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

*City Secretary Rushing explained the amendments to the water and sewer rates and charges; she noted the City of Galveston increased their water rates in October 2015; a few of the mentioned amendments were increasing the base water rate from \$19 to \$25, decreasing the base sewer rate from \$39.35 to \$34.35, increasing the water tap fee from \$400 to \$600, and decreasing the sewer tap and inspection fee from \$525 to \$400.*

*Mayor Spicer opened the item for discussion:*

*Russell Rupertus, 16522 Jolly Roger, questioned what increase amount would customers notice on their water bills.*

*City Secretary Rushing replied a minimum bill for 0-2,000 water usage in Jamaica Beach would increase \$1 from \$75.30 to \$76.30.*

*Jack Jordan, 16603 Jolly Roger, inquired about the decrease in sewer rates and increase in water rates.*

*City Secretary replied the City of Jamaica Beach purchases water from the City of Galveston and since they increased their water rates that is the reason why we need to increase our water rate; the City of Jamaica Beach is able to decrease the sewer rate, because we own our sewer plant.*

*Alderman Green motioned to adopt the above caption Ordinance. Second by Alderman Kurtz. Motion unanimously approved. Creating Ordinance 2017-5.*

16. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, AMENDING THE ADOPTED GOLF CART AND OTHER SLOW MOVING VEHICLE REGULATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PASSENGER VEHICLES AS STATED IN THE STATE OF TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH REQUIREMENTS DEEMED NECESSARY TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

*Police Chief Heiman explained the amendments he is proposing in the Ordinance; he noted the main amendment is to allow Utility Tasks Vehicles (UTV) in Jamaica Beach, but they will have to still comply with the 20 mph speed limit and other rules and regulations as a golf cart. Council briefly discussed the amendments then Mayor Spicer opened the item for public comment:*

*Sally Banner, 16507 John Silver, questioned what the minimum age is to drive a golf cart or UTV; inquired about Police enforcement regarding underage drivers.*

*Police Chief Heiman replied drivers of any vehicle must have a State license to operate a vehicle.*

*Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, inquired if the police will be enforcing the same requirements for UTV as they do for golf carts.*

*Joe Bryson, 4522 Jamaica Cove, asked will UTVs be permitted to pull trailers.*

*City Secretary Rushing replied no.*

*Alderman Lindley inquired about the use of ATVs.*

*City Secretary Rushing replied ATVs are not permitted in Jamaica Beach.*

*Jack Jordan, 16603 Jolly Roger, asked is there a minimum speed limit for impeding traffic.*

*Leanne Green, 16503 John Silver, commented the posted golf cart signs are confusing; suggests the signs be altered from "License Golf Cart Drivers Only" to "State License Drivers"; inquired about the maximum capacity on a golf cart.*

*Police Chief Heiman noted the golf cart ordinance addresses all of the above questions.*

*Alderman Welch motioned to adopt the above caption Ordinance. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved. Creating Ordinance 2017-6.*

- 17. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, AMENDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RESERVE POLICE FORCE FOR THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS; PROVIDING THE METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR APPOINTMENT OF RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS; PROVIDING THE AUTHORITY OF THE RESERVE POLICE OFFICER; PROVIDING OTHER PROVISION RELATING TO THE SUBJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*Police Chief Heiman noted the amendment in the Ordinance is to increase the number of allowable Police Reserves from 10 to 13. Alderman Kurtz motioned to adopt the above caption Ordinance.*

*Second by Alderman Green. Motion unanimously approved. Creating Ordinance 2017-7.*

- 18. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF WASTE LEFT BY DOGS AND CATS; PROVIDING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*Police Chief Heiman explained the proposed Ordinance; he said he has received numerous complaints from citizens regarding pet owners allowing their pets to defecate in there yards without cleaning the waste up; the ordinance would also require pet owners to carry disposal material with them while walking their pets. MPT Montgomery noted the ordinance pertains to all property; private and public property.*

*Mayor Spicer opened the item for public comment:*

*Justin Stiff, 16510 Jean Lafitte, inquired does the ordinance include the beach.*

*Bunny Zapalac, 16603 Cormorant, asked how the Police will enforce the Ordinance.*

*Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, questioned Police enforcement and fines for violations.*

*Terry Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, spoke against adopting the Ordinance; thinks JBPD has more important things to do with their time.*

*Sally Banner, 16507 John Silver, inquired will there be disposal site installed around the city.*

*Jim Gentile, 16711 Cabeza De Vaca, inquired if the city's current littering Ordinance address this issue; does it have the same meaning.*

*MPT Montgomery motioned to create an Ordinance establishing rules and regulations for the removal and disposal of waste left by dogs and cats. Motion did not receive a second. Motion died for lack of a second.*

- 19. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING TOW COMPANY FEE REGULATIONS IN THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH; PROVIDING VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*Police Chief Heiman explained the proposed Ordinance; the city currently does not have an Ordinance regarding tow company fees; he noted the Ordinance is more of a protection for citizens and visitors needing a tow; this Ordinance would prevent tow companies from price gouging.*

*Alderman Kurtz motioned to adopt the above caption Ordinance. Second by Alderman Welch. Motion unanimously approved. Creating Ordinance 2017-8.*

#### **CITIZEN INPUT**

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2017.)

*No requests to address Council.*

#### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

*City Administrator Brick reported the city is on its 5<sup>th</sup> debris dumpster; he will contact the GLO and City Attorney about them attending the October 2<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting to discuss the beach dune project.*

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

*Mayor Spicer thanked the JBPD and JBVFD for their services during Hurricane Harvey.*

#### **ALDERMEN REPORTS**

*Alderman Kurtz reported the new beach signs are missing; she noted most likely due to Hurricane Harvey.*

*Alderman Lindley reported the extended hours for the city swimming pool; she noted the expenditures associated with the extended hours.*

*MPT Montgomery, Alderman Welch and Alderman Green – No Reports*

#### **POLICE REPORT**

*Police Chief Heiman reported the JBPD August 2017 stats.*

#### **ADJOURN**

*Mayor Spicer said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. MPT Montgomery motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Welch. Motion unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.*