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**CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 15, 2012
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

MPT Eddie Burke called the meeting to order.

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

Alderman Brad South led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

The following Councilmember's were present:

*MPT 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*

The following Councilmember was absent:

Mayor Victor Pierson

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- 1. DISCUSS APPROVING A RESOLUTION TO REMOVE THE CITY FROM THE GALVESTON COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD.**
City Administrator Brick said Mayor Pierson felt the Transit Board did not really affect the City of Jamaica Beach and should opt out of participating. MPT Burke agreed, he said the Transit Board primarily involves regional cities and does not affect FM 3005.
- 2. DISCUSS FUNDING THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN ACCOUNTS.**
City Administrator Brick said this was an annual budgeted request.
- 3. DISCUSS A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A REQUEST FOR AN ARCADE AT THE SHOPPING CENTER.**
City Administrator Brick said the request was discussed at a Planning and Zoning meeting and was denied. Chief McLane said he spoke to other Police Chiefs in the surrounding area and they do not recommend this type of establishment for Jamaica Beach.
- 4. DISCUSS REQUEST BY CHIEF ANDY MCLANE FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**
Chief McLane explained his request for a leave of absence. He said has recently been diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer and will be undergoing surgery and treatment the next few months. Depending on his recovery, he hopes to return at the end of February or March.
- 5. DISCUSS APPROVING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND JIMMY WILLIAMSON, P.C. ON A CONTINGENCY FEE BASIS TO ASSIST WITH THE RECOVERY OF FUNDS OWED THE CITY FOR**

DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE BP OIL SPILL AND THE SINKING OF THE DEEPWATER HORIZON AND ALL OF ITS ASSOCIATED IMPACTS.

City Administrator Brick said the Resolution has been discussed and approved by Council previously; City Staff has had to make some adjustments to the wording in order for it to be approved by the Comptroller's Office.

Jan Krueger, 16618 Curlew, inquired if it was worth the City getting involved.

Alderman South replied it was not going to cost the city or tax payer's any money if we are not eligible or do not receive a settlement.

MPT Burke mentioned it was a contingency agreement.

6. DISCUSS EXTENDING THE CURFEW ORDINANCE FOR ANOTHER 3 YEARS.

City Administrator Brick explained the Curfew Ordinance; he said it expires November 6, 2012. Chief McLane recommended extending the Ordinance; he said it was helpful for his Officer's and is a requirement.

Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, spoke in favor of the curfew ordinance.

7. DISCUSS AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE BANK DEPOSITORY CONTRACT.

City Administrator Brick said the previous approved contract was for only one year and expires at the end of December 2012.

8. DISCUSS APPOINTING SGT. RICHARD SEDGWICK AS INTERIM POLICE CHIEF DURING CHIEF MCLANE LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Chief McLane explained to Council that appointing an Interim Police Chief is a TCEOSE requirement. He recommends Sgt. Sedgwick. MPT Burke asked the City Administrator Brick his feelings towards the recommendation and he replied City Staff approves of the recommendation.

CITIZEN INPUT

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON OCTOBER 15, 2012.)

No requests to address Council.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.



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**CITY COUNCIL
CALLED REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

OCTOBER 15, 2012
6:00 P.M. (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING)

CALL TO ORDER

MPT Eddie Burke called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

The following Councilmember's were present:

*MPT Eddie Burke
Alderman Brad South
Alderman Sandy Denby
Alderman Mary Morse
Alderman Gene Montgomery*

The following staff was present:

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City Secretary Rushing
Police Chief McLane*

The following Councilmember was absent:

Mayor Victor Pierson

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- 1. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING A RESOLUTION TO REMOVE THE CITY FROM THE GALVESTON COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD.**
Alderman Morse motioned to approve a Resolution to remove the City from the Galveston County Transit District Board. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved by those present.
- 2. CONSIDER FOR ACTION FUNDING THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN ACCOUNTS.**
Alderman Denby motioned to approve the funding of the employee retirement plan accounts. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved by those present.
- 3. CONSIDER FOR ACTION A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A REQUEST FOR AN ARCADE AT THE SHOPPING CENTER.**
Motion failed – lack of a motion.
- 4. CONSIDER FOR ACTION REQUEST BY CHIEF ANDY MCLANE FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**
Alderman Montgomery motioned to approve Chief McLane's request for a leave of absence. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.
- 5. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND JIMMY WILLIAMSON, P.C. ON A CONTINGENCY FEE BASIS TO ASSIST WITH THE RECOVERY OF FUNDS OWED THE CITY FOR DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE BP OIL SPILL AND THE SINKING OF THE DEEPWATER HORIZON AND ALL OF ITS ASSOCIATED IMPACTS.**
Alderman Morse motioned to approve the above mention Resolution. Second by Alderman Denby. Unanimously approved by those present.
- 6. CONSIDER FOR ACTION EXTENDING THE CURFEW ORDINANCE FOR ANOTHER 3 YEARS.**
Alderman South motioned to extend the Curfew Ordinance for another 3 years, expiring November 6, 2015. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved by those present.

7. CONSIDER FOR ACTION AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE BANK DEPOSITORY CONTRACT.

Alderman Denby motioned to authorize City Staff to advertise for bids for the bank depository contract. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.

8. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPOINTING SGT. RICHARD SEDGWICK AS INTERIM POLICE CHIEF DURING CHIEF MCLANE LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Alderman Morse motioned to appoint Sgt. Richard Sedgwick as Interim Police Chief during Chief McLane's leave of absence. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved by those present.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick mentioned conducting only one Council meeting per month on November 5th and December 3rd due to the Holidays.

MAYOR'S REPORT - absent

ALDERMEN REPORTS

Alderman Montgomery said there are two design companies working on pool proposals.

Alderman Morse said the Park Board wants to replace the roll down shutters at the Park.

Alderman Denby and South – No Reports

MPT Burke said JBIC inquired about the land fill near the bird sanctuary; he said he has spoken to John about it and will inform JBIC that it's been approved by the Corps of Engineer.

POLICE REPORT

Chief McLane said there was a good turnout at National Night Out; he was pleased there were no Hurricane's this year; he mentioned everything was in place for his leave of absence and appreciates everyone.

ADJOURN

MPT Eddie Burke said that if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn.

Alderman Morse motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Denby. Unanimously approved by those present. The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.