



CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH
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**CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 7, 2011
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pierson called the meeting to order.

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

Alderman 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 Victor Pierson
Alderman Gene Montgomery
Alderman Sherwood Green
Alderman Mary Morse
Alderman Brad South*

The following staff was present:

*City Administrator Brick
City Secretary Rushing
Cpl. Todaro*

The following Councilmember was absent:

MPT Eddie Burke

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS RENEWING THE BLACKBOARD CONNECT SERVICE FOR 2012.

City Administrator Brick explained the services provided by Blackboard Connect. He informed Council the contract is renewed annually. He said the city uses Blackboard to notify residents of emergency situations and as an informational tool.

2. DISCUSS INCREASING THE RAGATA BASIN ELECTRICAL BUDGET BY \$4,230.00.

City Administrator Brick explained the request for an increase in the budget.

Todd McCabe, 16715 Cabeza De Vaca, spoke on behalf of the Ragata Basin Project Committee. He provided details of the additional cost; he said the light from the pole would not create light pollution to the neighbors, it would project downward; he thinks the light would be a security benefit.

Margaret Lloyd, 16643 Bahama Way, clarified that the current light pole was being replaced and there would not be any additional light poles installed.

3. DISCUSS QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT.

City Administrator Brick distributed the mandatory quarterly investment report to Council. Discussion item only, no action.

4. DISCUSS VOTES FOR CAD AND RESOLUTION.

City Administrator Brick said the city received a request from the Central Appraisal District to vote and approve a resolution nominating a candidate(s) for the 2012-2013 Board of Directors.

Mayor Pierson said the City of Jamaica Beach is eligible to cast 7 votes. He mentioned the names of the 8 candidates, him being one of them.

5. DISCUSS APPROVING A VARIANCE FOR A CARGO LIFT AT 16615 TRINIDAD WAY.

City Administrator Brick said Planning and Zoning met to discuss the variance for a cargo lift and recommended approval.

6. DISCUSS APPROVING A WATER UTILITY VARIANCE AT 16704 JAMAICA BEACH ROAD.

City Administrator Brick said Planning and Zoning met to discuss the water utility variance and recommended approval.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick provided Council with an update to 16612 Pelican. He said the homeowner has a building permit and has started on his repairs. He mentioned the city has only 3 or 4 houses remaining on the damage house list. He made an announcement about a dinner at the Elk's Lodge for Veterans and Armed Services on Friday, November 11th.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pierson said Council will conduct a Regular Called meeting on November 21st and a Workshop and Special Called meeting on December 5th; he will not be present at the December 5th meeting.

ALDERMEN REPORTS – *No reports.*

POLICE REPORT

Cpl. Todaro spoke on behalf of Chief McLane, he provided a brief dumpster update.

CITIZEN INPUT

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON NOVEMBER 7, 2011.)

There were no requests to address Council.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.