



CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 4, 2013
6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Spicer called the meeting to order.

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

Alderman Sherwood Green 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
Alderman Sherwood Green
Alderman Mary Morse
Alderman Gene Montgomery*

The following staff was present:

*City Administrator Brick
City Secretary Rushing*

The following Councilmembers were absent:

*MPT Eddie Burke
Alderman Brad South
Police Chief Chapa*

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- 1. DISCUSS PURCHASING A VEHICLE FROM MCGREE FORD FOR MOSQUITO SPRAYER.**
City Administrator Brick said the city would like to purchase a 2009 F-150 with 21,900 miles for \$14,130 from McGree Ford to use as the mosquito control vehicle; he also mentioned it was a budgeted item. Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, inquired if the city can use the old vehicle for anything.
- 2. DISCUSS CONFIRMING THE HOUSE AT 16715 TAHITI WAY IS UNSUITABLE FOR HABITATION.**
City Administrator Brick said the city has tried to get the house at 16715 Tahiti Way either demolished or repaired since Hurricane Ike; he said the owner comes down sometimes on the weekends and says he is doing repairs, but the house does not have water, sewer or electricity; the city needs Council to confirm the house unsuitable for habitation for the Health Department and Galveston County to get involved; Mr. Brick said the house is in litigation, but it's a slow process. Chief Chapa said he spoke to two abatement officers regarding the house; he said he has received reports of the occupant dumping in the canal, which is illegal. David Clark, 16717 Tahiti Way, said the house does not have sewer setup and he has witnessed the occupant dumping in the canal.
- 3. DISCUSS REPLAT OF LOTS 3 & 4 ON MARINA DRIVE TO COMBINE LOTS TO ONE LOT.**
City Administrator Brick provided Council with the request from the owner to replat the two lots into one so he can built a new house.
- 4. DISCUSS APPROVING A RESOLUTION CASTING THE CITY'S 6 VOTES TO VICTOR PIERSON FOR THE 2014-2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GALVESTON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT.**

City Administrator Brick said this was an annual request from the Galveston Central Appraisal District to cast our votes for the Board of Directors; he recommended all 6 votes be given to Victor Pierson.

5. DISCUSS PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE.

Chief Chapa said he would like to purchase a new Ford Taurus from McGree Ford for \$25,000.

Mayor Spicer inquired if the vehicle would be okay in a flood and able to drive on the beach.

Chief Chapa said he thinks it will be fine; he mentioned he will be the only one driving the Taurus; he noted he was also interested in purchasing a used jeep price is around \$10,000.

Alderman Montgomery inquired what would the jeep be used for and how much would it cost to convert it.

Chief Chapa replied as another patrol vehicle; he added he does not have all the details regarding the jeep nor how much it would cost to convert it into a patrol vehicle.

CITIZEN INPUT

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON NOVEMBER 4, 2013.)

Danny James, 16700 Kingston Way, spoke against approving Mr. Pennison variance to build a fence along the city easement.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator reported the Mayor's and Councilmember's is Wednesday in Santa Fe; he informed Council about the increase in new houses being built in Jamaica Beach, this year we had 14 compared to the 6 from last year.

MAYOR'S REPORT – No Report

ALDERMEN REPORTS

Alderman Montgomery reported bids went out to the original pool bidders; they should have the bids back by next week.

Alderman Morse reported 42 homes signed up on Halloween to pass out candy; she thanked those people; reminder - Light Up Jamaica Beach is December 6th at 6:00 p.m.; Boat Parade is on December 7th at dusk.

POLICE REPORT – No Report

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.



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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Spicer called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

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Alderman Mary Morse
Alderman Gene Montgomery*

The following staff was present:

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Alderman Brad South*

CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

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No requests to address Council.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- 1. CONSIDER FOR ACTION PURCHASING A VEHICLE FROM MCCREE FORD FOR MOSQUITO SPRAYER.**
Alderman Morse motioned to approve purchasing a 2009 Ford F-150 for \$14,130 from McGree Ford to use as the mosquito control vehicle. Second by Alderman Green. Unanimously approved by those present.
- 2. CONSIDER FOR ACTION CONFIRMING THE HOUSE AT 16715 TAHITI WAY IS UNSUITABLE FOR HABITATION.**
Alderman Morse motioned the house at 16715 Tahiti Way is unsuitable for habitation. Second by Alderman Green. Unanimously approved by those present.
- 3. CONSIDER FOR ACTION REPLAT OF LOTS 3 & 4 ON MARINA DRIVE TO COMBINE LOTS TO ONE LOT.**
Alderman Montgomery motioned to approve the replat of lots 3 & 4 on Marina Drive to combine lots to one lot. Second by Alderman Green. Unanimously approved by those present.
- 4. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING A RESOLUTION CASTING THE CITY'S 6 VOTES TO VICTOR PIERSON FOR THE 2014-2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GALVESTON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT.**

Alderman Morse motioned to approve a resolution casting the city's 6 votes to Victor Pierson for the 2014-15 Board of Directors of the Galveston Central Appraisal District. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved by those present.

5. CONSIDER FOR ACTION PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLE.

Alderman Montgomery motioned to approve the purchase of a 2014 Ford Taurus for \$25,205 to be used for the Police Department. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.

ADJOURN

Mayor Spicer said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Morse motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved by those present. Meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.