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**CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 5, 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

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

The following staff was present:

*City Administrator Brick
City Secretary Rushing
Sgt. Sedgwick
Officer Camp
City Attorney Steve Schultz*

The following Councilmember was absent:

Alderman Brad South

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. **DISCUSS APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:**
 - a. **SPECIAL WORKSHOP & CALLED MEETING – AUGUST 20, 2012**
 - b. **PUBLIC HEARING, SPECIAL WORKSHOP & CALLED MEETING – SEPTEMBER 17, 2012**
 - c. **SPECIAL WORKSHOP & CALLED MEETING – OCTOBER 15, 2012**

Mayor Pierson read the agenda item; there were no discussion from Council; Mayor Pierson asked if anyone in the audience wanted to speak on the item:

Mark Lee, 16527 John Davis, had an off the agenda item comment and wanted to know the procedure to speak at a future meeting.

Mayor Pierson informed him he would need to contact the City Secretary 15 minutes before the meeting to speak, but he could contact the City Administrator to discuss the procedure and/or his issue.

2. **DISCUSS AUTHORIZING MAXWELL CO. TO CONDUCT THE ANNUAL AUDIT.**

Mayor Pierson noted the city received an engagement letter from Maxwell Co. which provided the fee to conduct the annual audit; he also mentioned Katherine Maxwell took over Glen Ferguson's business last year since he was semi-retiring; Mayor Pierson said the cost is the same as previous years and is budgeted.
3. **DISCUSS PURCHASING A SPOTLIGHT MOUNTED THERMAL IMAGER WITH ADAPTER FOR \$3,694.00 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FUNDING FROM 14042-PD EQUIPMENT PURCHASE.**

Officer Camp explained the thermal imager to Council; he said it shows body heat at different levels; it is beneficial when searching for suspects or victims at night; he commented that some people may have privacy concerns, but mentioned the thermal imager cannot see through windows or houses.

Alderman Denby said she rode around with the Police Department to sample the device to see how it would be used; she said she was very impressed by it.

Alderman Montgomery said he could understand people having privacy concerns, but on the other hand since the device cannot see through walls, you would not be able to find a victim in a fire.

Officer Camp replied that the device is not portable and would be mounted to the patrol vehicle, he said there are devices available to do that, but they are much more expensive and usually used by Fire Departments.

MPT Burke inquired if the device would be moved from vehicle to vehicle.

Officer Camp replied no, it would be mounted to the patrol vehicle primarily used at night; it took about 15 minutes to mount it to the vehicle.

Alderman Montgomery inquired if the device took pictures or video.

Officer Camp replied it has the ability to do both then can be saved as a jpeg file.

CITIZEN INPUT

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

Bunny Zapalac, 16603 Cormorant, complained about a few RV Trailers around the city; she said it is starting to look like a trailer park.

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.



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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

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CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

(Requests to address Council must be made to City Staff by 5:45 PM on November 5, 2012)

No requests to address Council.

Mayor Pierson read the below items to be discussed in Executive Session. The meeting convened into Executive Session at 6:12 p.m.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH WILL HOLD A CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 551.071-CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY: WETLANDS MITIGATION

UPON CONCLUSION OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION, THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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UPON CONCLUSION OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION, THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The meeting reconvened at 7:06 p.m. with no action on either item.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.



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Alderman Denby motioned to approve the above listed minutes. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.

2. CONSIDER FOR ACTION AUTHORIZING MAXWELL CO. TO CONDUCT THE ANNUAL AUDIT.

Alderman Montgomery motioned to authorize Maxwell Co. to conduct the annual audit. Second by Alderman Denby. Unanimously approved by those present.

3. CONSIDER FOR ACTION PURCHASING A SPOTLIGHT MOUNTED THERMAL IMAGER WITH ADAPTER FOR \$3,694.00 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FUNDING FROM 14042-PD EQUIPMENT PURCHASE.

Alderman Morse motioned to approve the purchase of a spotlight mounted thermal imager with adapter for \$3,694 for the Police Department. Second by Alderman Montgomery. Unanimously approved by those present.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick reported the next Council meeting will be December 3rd and we will only be conducting one meeting in December; Light-up Jamaica Beach will be December 7th; Jamaica Beach Boat Parade will be December 8th; received Round 2 of the CBGB grant in the amount of \$623,746, the money will be used for a new Communication System, which will allow the Liftstations to communicate to the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP); raise the electrical controls at the 7 Liftstations; raise the wet well wall at the WWTP; and provide minor street rehabilitation to 7 streets.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pierson reminded Council the Mayor's and Councilmember's meeting is this Wednesday in Santa Fe.

ALDERMEN REPORTS

Alderman Montgomery said the Pool Committee has continued to meet; he said they have received two engineer bids, but will look into other avenues.

Alderman Morse said the Halloween Trick or Treat at the Park had a nice turn out; she also mentioned the Park Board will be meeting next Tuesday.

Alderman Denby mentioned she has an H-GAC Meeting to attend on Thursday; she said she has been working with the water department and city staff on a device for reading water meters; she said she had some negative reports about some JBVFD scaring kids during the Halloween Trick or Treat event.

MPT Burke – No Report

POLICE REPORT – Absent, No Report.

ADJOURN

Mayor Pierson said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Montgomery motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.