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**CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING  
MINUTES**

**MARCH 11, 2013  
6:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

*Mayor 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*

*The following staff was present:*

*City Administrator Brick  
City Secretary Rushing  
Cpl. Todaro*

*The following Councilmember's were absent:*

*Alderman Brad South  
Alderman Gene Montgomery*

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

**1. DISCUSS ADOPTING A SEX OFFENDER ORDINANCE.**

*Mayor Pierson said this agenda item was discussed at the Council meeting on February 4<sup>th</sup> then was put on the February 18<sup>th</sup> Council meeting for approval, but the fine amounts were not provided in the draft ordinance.*

*City Administrator Brick said the fine amounts are now provided in the ordinance.*

*Mayor Pierson opened the discussion:*

*Terry Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, commented she knew people that rented a house from a registered sex offender and since he owns the house the address shows as a sex offender living there, they want to break their lease and move.  
No further discussion.*

**2. DISCUSS POLICE DEPARTMENT RACIAL PROFILING REPORT.**

*City Administrator Brick told Council the Police Department provided the report for Council to review.*

*Mayor Pierson commented he did not see anything unusual or concerning in the report.*

*Mayor Pierson opened the item for discussion:*

*Jan Krueger, 16618 Curlew, inquired what a racial profiling report is for.*

*Cpl. Todaro replied it is an annual report required by DPS to identify if Police Departments are profiling suspects before pulling them over.*

*Terry Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, asked if there was a list that provides the crimes, if any, that goes on in Jamaica Beach that is open to the public.*

*Mayor Pierson replied someone interested could submit an open records request for the information; he said in the past Chief McLane would provide a list of arrest at the meetings each month. No further discussion.*

**3. DISCUSS ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR CITY STREET IMPROVEMENTS.**

*City Administrator Brick explained the city received a grant from the General Land Office for communities impacted by the 2008 hurricanes, the funds are allocated through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the repair*

*of infrastructure damaged in a disaster; the city has a list of streets, the plans and the specifications from John Mercer, the Engineer; he is asking Council to allow city staff to advertising for bids.*

*Mayor Pierson recommended approval especially considering it will be funded through CDBG.*

*John Mercer mentioned a bid cannot be awarded until approval by Environmental, which can take between 45-60 days; he explained the materials that would be used to repair the street; he said the grant was a little over \$200,000.*

*Alderman Denby clarified that John Mercer was the Engineer, but the request for bids was for a company to actually do the street repairs. No further discussion.*

**4. DISCUSS ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR ELECTRONIC WATER METERS.**

*City Administrator Brick said he has the specifications ready to go out for bids.*

*Mayor Pierson mentioned the item is budgeted and could be another improvement for the city.*

*City Administrator Brick said the electronic meters would be read by simply passing in front of the house, which is beneficial for the properties that have fences, dogs or that are buried by the dunes.*

*Mayor Pierson opened the item for discussion:*

*Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, asked if by having the electronic water meters would the day the meters are read be more consistent, rather than the way they are now.*

*Mayor Pierson replied by having the electronic meters it will sure help with the process. No further discussion.*

**5. DISCUSS RENEWING THE ANNUAL SOFTWARE SUPPORT CONTRACT WITH AVR, INC. FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES.**

*City Secretary Rushing explained to Council the software is used for our Municipal Services, there was no change to the annual fee and city staff is satisfied with the company; they are consistently updating their software and providing more efficient options for us and customers.*

*Mayor Pierson mentioned the item is budgeted and recommends approval. No further discussion.*

**6. DISCUSS APPOINTING MICHEAL BELL AS EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD JUDGE AND ELECTION JUDGE AND CYNTHIA SANCHEZ AS THE ALTERNATE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD JUDGE AND ALTERNATE JUDGE FOR THE MAY 11, 2013 CITY OFFICER'S GENERAL ELECTION.**

*Mayor Pierson acknowledged Michael Bell for volunteering as Judge during past elections; he said he appreciates everyone that assist during the election process. No further discussion.*

**7. DISCUSS APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF GALVESTON FOR ELECTION SERVICES.**

*Mayor Pierson inquired if it was a standard contract.*

*City Secretary Rushing replied yes and noted the item as being budgeted. No further discussion.*

**CITIZEN INPUT**

**(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON MARCH 11, 2013.)**

*No requests to address Council.*

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

*City Administrator Brick provided a report from the City Attorney regarding the only 2 houses left on damaged house list; he also mentioned the City Attorney is requesting Council to give direction rather they want to file suit or not against the property owners; he ask Council to drive around the building to notice the storage building have been removed.*

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

*Mayor Pierson reminded Council of the Mayor's and Councilmember's meeting this Wednesday, he said he may not be able to attend; he also encouraged Council to make the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting hosted by Tiki Island since they are like a sister city to us.*

**ALDERMEN REPORTS**

*Alderman Morse reminded everyone to attend the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, she said donations of plastic eggs and wrapped candy would be greatly appreciated, line up will start at 9:45 a.m. and begin at 10:00 a.m.; the Park Board will meet at her house on Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> to make Easter Bonnets, if anyone would like to help they are welcome to attend.*

*Alderman Denby and MPT Burke – No Reports*

**POLICE REPORT**

*Cpl. Todaro reported a good weekend, no problems.*

**ADJOURN**

*Meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.*



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**CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS**

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**ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

- 1. CONSIDER FOR ACTION ADOPTING A SEX OFFENDER ORDINANCE.**  
*Alderman Morse motioned to adopt a Sex Offender Ordinance 2013-2. Second by Alderman Denby. Unanimously approved by those present.*
- 2. CONSIDER FOR ACTION POLICE DEPARTMENT RACIAL PROFILING REPORT.**  
*MPT Burke motioned to accept the Police Department Racial Profiling Report. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.*
- 3. CONSIDER FOR ACTION ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR CITY STREET IMPROVEMENTS.**  
*Alderman Denby motioned to approve the advertising for bids for city street improvements. Second by MPT Burke. Unanimously approved by those present.*
- 4. CONSIDER FOR ACTION ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR ELECTRONIC WATER METERS.**  
*Alderman Morse motioned to approve the advertising of bids for electronic water meters. Second by Alderman Denby. Unanimously approved by those present.*
- 5. CONSIDER FOR ACTION RENEWING THE ANNUAL SOFTWARE SUPPORT CONTRACT WITH AVR, INC. FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES.**  
*MPT Burke motion to approve renewing the annual software support contract with AVR, Inc. for Municipal Services. Second by Alderman Denby. Unanimously approved by those present.*
- 6. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPOINTING MICHEAL BELL AS EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD JUDGE AND ELECTION JUDGE AND CYNTHIA SANCHEZ AS THE ALTERNATE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD JUDGE AND ALTERNATE JUDGE FOR THE MAY 11, 2013 CITY OFFICER'S GENERAL ELECTION.**

*Alderman Morse motion to appoint Michael Bell as Early Voting Ballot Board Judge and Election Judge and Cynthia Sanchez as the Alternate Early Voting Ballot Board Judge and Alternate Judge for the May 11, 2013 City Officer's General Election. Second by MPT Burke. Unanimously approved by those present.*

**7. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF GALVESTON FOR ELECTION SERVICES.**

*Alderman Denby motioned to approve the contract with the County of Galveston for Election Services. Second by Alderman Morse. Unanimously approved by those present.*

**ADJOURN**

*Mayor Pierson said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. MPT Burke motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Denby. Unanimously approved by those present. The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.*