



CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 2, 2015
6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Spicer called the meeting to order.

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

Alderman Sherwood Green led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

The following Councilmembers were present:

*Mayor Steve Spicer
Alderman Sherwood Green
Alderman Mary Morse
Alderman Russell Rupertus*

The following Councilmembers were absent:

*MPT Gene Montgomery
Alderman Brad South*

The following Staff was present:

*City Administrator Brick
City Secretary Rushing
Police Chief Art Chapa*

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS THE CITY PARK PARKING LOT BIDS.

Mayor Spicer mentioned he and City Administrator Brick met with Judge Henry who informed them it was too late to seek bond assistance this year, but the city could submit a bid for bond funding next year to pay for the parking lot. Council discussed using concrete rather than asphalt. Mayor Spicer opened the discussion for public comment:

Terry Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, comment that asphalt is hard on bare feet.

Lorraine Jones, 16712 Jolly Roger, comment asphalt requires additional maintenance over time.

2. DISCUSS FUNDING FOR CITY POOL IMPROVEMENTS.

City Administrator Brick suggest the city should provide more shade at the pool; he received a quote from Gautier for \$17,340 to build a pergola. Council discussed other options and alternatives for shade. Mayor Spicer recommended deferring the item until it can be budgeted. Mayor Spicer opened the item to the public for comment:

Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, suggest requesting more bids.

Terry Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, noted she was not speaking on behalf of JBIC, but suggest contacting JBIC for project assistance.

3. DISCUSS REPLAT OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4419 PELICAN WAY.

City Administrator Brick explained the homeowners request for a replat of the lots; he said the homeowner wants to combine the lots so he can build a pool. Item was briefly discussed by Council.

4. DISCUSS COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT VISIT (CAV) BY TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

City Administrator Brick explained the Community Assessment Visit results from the Texas Water Development Board; he said by joining the Community Rating System it will lower insurance rates; the city had 110 non-compliance properties in 2012; there were only 20 non-compliance properties by January 2015; he asked Council for direction regarding the remaining non-compliance properties.

Mayor Spicer suggest writing a letter to the homeowners informing them of the issue(s) and benefits for complying; the letter should also state they have 30 days to reply, authorize an onsite inspection, and 60 days to bring the property to compliance or be fined. Item was further discussed amongst Council then opened to the public for comment:

Terry Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, suggest providing a specific deadline date to comply by.

Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, suggest giving 90 days to comply.

5. DISCUSS APPROVING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AERIAL SPRAYING FOR MOSQUITOES.

City Administrator Brick noted the Resolution was an annual request from the Galveston County Mosquito Control District. No discussion.

CITIZEN INPUT

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON MARCH 2, 2015.)

No citizen requests to address Council.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick reported he worked with TXDot to clean up the sand on Buccaneer & FM 3005; installed 2 designated parking spaces near the mailboxes; city will not be conducting an election; pool will not be open during Spring Break; Wounded Warriors bike race this Saturday.

MAYOR'S REPORT – No Report

ALDERMEN REPORTS

Alderman Rupertus, Alderman Green – No Reports

Alderman Morse reported to please contact her or Taz Jones to help out with the Easter event at the City Park.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Chapa reported a summary of PD calls.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.