



CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 5, 2017
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

MPT Montgomery led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

The following Councilmember's were present:

*Mayor Steve Spicer
MPT Gene Montgomery
Alderman Terry Hudson
Alderman Sherwood Green
Alderman Rosemary Lindley
Alderman Marci Kurtz*

The following staff was present:

*City Administrator Brick
City Secretary Rushing
Police Chief Heiman*

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS AN AMENDMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF JAMAICA BEACH PERSONNEL POLICY.

City Administrator Brick request amending the personnel policy to include a policy for the city in the event of a declared disaster; he listed his suggestions to consider as Essential Personnel; he also wanted the policy to note meals would be provided to Essential Personnel during a declared disaster. Mayor Spicer recommended adding the Mayor and Alderman to the list of Essential Personnel. No further discussion.

2. DISCUSS THE PROPOSED FEES FOR THE CONDEMNATION AND PURCHASE OF PROPERTY EASEMENTS FOR BEACH FRONT PROPERTIES THAT HAVE NOT SIGNED THE GLO EASEMENT FORM.

City Administrator Brick noted the fees for the condemnation process is at \$48,050, which does not include the cost to purchase the property easements nor all the attorney fees. Council briefly discussed item before Mayor Spicer opened the item for comment:

Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, inquired about the fees; who do they pay; is that the fee to just mail letters.

Mayor Spicer replied the fees include the attorneys, appraisers and surveyors fees.

Jim Gentile, 16711 Cabeza De Vaca, asked how many homes have not responded.

Mayor Spicer replied 11 homes.

Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, asked do the fees include all 11 homes or is the amount provided by the City Administrator for each home.

Mayor Spicer replied the amount is for all 11 homes.

3. DISCUSS ASSIGNING ALDERMAN DAVID WELCH REGULAR & EMERGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES.

Mayor Spicer suggests assigning Alderman Welch the city responsibilities that Terry Hudson had while he was on Council. No further discussion.

4. DISCUSS APPOINTING CITY CHECK SIGNERS.

City Secretary Rushing noted the current check signers as being herself, John Brick, Gene Montgomery and Sherwood Green; she said Terry Hudson was also a check signer. Council discussed their availability to sign checks a couple of times a month. Alderman Welch mentioned he could possibly be available to sign checks as the last alternative. No further discussion.

5. DISCUSS DESIGNATING A DOG PARK AREA AT THE CITY PARK.

Mayor Spicer recommended the item be deferred until after the park expansion project has been decided. Mayor Spicer opened the item for comment:

Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, spoke against adding a dog park at the city park.

6. DISCUSS APPROVING THE BEACH ENTRANCE SIGN PROPOSED BY JBIC; CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF THE SIGNS FUNDED BY JBIC.

Alderman Kurtz explained the new sign; she said she has been working with JBIC on designing the sign; she noted they offered to fund the purchase of the signs and installation. Mayor Spicer opened the item for comment:

Terry Rizzo, 16502 Jamaica Inn, inquired about the signs contents/wording.

Alderman Kurtz showed the audience a draft picture of the sign; she replied the sign would welcome visitors to the beach, but remind them to throw away their trash, no glass, stay off dunes, the speed limit and the phone number to report injured wildlife.

CITIZEN INPUT

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON JUNE 5, 2017.)

Joe Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, complained about the house across the street from him.

Lorraine Jones, 16712 Jolly Roger, spoke against constructing a new recreation center at the park; she gave Council a "Save the Park" petition with 280 signatures.

Jay Aubin, 16712 Jolly Roger, spoke against constructing a new recreation center at the park.

Sally Banner, signed up to speak then declined when it was her turn to speak.

Wally Womack, 16606 Pelican Road, said she noticed a lot of vehicles driving fast down Bob Smith Road; she suggested speed limit signs be installed along Bob Smith.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick reported the Annual Hurricane Meeting will be held at the City Hall Fire Station on Saturday, June 17th from 10AM-Noon; encouraged everyone to attend.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Spicer noted he was out of during the Memorial Day Event, but heard it was nice.

ALDERMEN REPORTS

Alderman Kurtz mentioned the new beach signage is just a start; citizens can contact her if they have any concerns/suggestions; the city will continue to make improvements.

Alderman Lindley thanked everyone who attended the Memorial Day Fundraiser Event; she announced the city pool information has been updated on the city's website.

MPT Montgomery, Alderman Green and Alderman Welch – No Reports

POLICE REPORT

Police Chief Heiman reported on JBPD stats during the Memorial Holiday Weekend.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.



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CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

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ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY.

Mayor Spicer read above caption before Council convened in Executive Session at 6:32 p.m.

2. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON THE ITEM(S) DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Council reconvened in Open Session at 7:04 p.m. Mayor Spicer noted no action was taken during Executive Session. MPT Montgomery motioned to post a FAQ regarding the park expansion project on the city's website. Second by Alderman Welch. Motion unanimously approved.

ADJOURN

Mayor Spicer said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Green motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.