

CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

JULY 22, 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 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 Steve Spicer
MPT Eddie Burke
Alderman Brad South
Alderman Sandy Denby
Alderman Mary Morse
Alderman Gene Montgomery – a

Alderman Gene Montgomery – arrived at 6:03 p.m.

The following staff was present: City Administrator Brick

City Secretary Rushing

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS THE RESIGNATION OF THE WATER OPERATOR CONTRACTOR.

City Administrator Brick informed Council that the current water operator informed him of his resignation as of July 31st. Mr. Brick said he approached the water operator and wastewater operator to inform them the city was looking into hiring full-time employees for those positions. Meanwhile, the City Secretary informed the water operator's sub-contractor of the same information. Within 30 minutes of the conversations the water operator submitted his resignations giving only a 2 week notice; he accused the City Secretary of trying to hire his sub-contractor. Mr. Brick asked the sub-contractor if the City Secretary tried to offer him the position; he denied the accusation. Mr. Brick said after speaking to the City Secretary and the sub-contractor his option is to accept the resignation. Mr. Brick said he has since spoken to Silvas Water and Wastewater Services to temporarily use him as a water operator until Council decides on either continuing to contract or hire full-time employees. He is waiting on a proposal from Mr. Silvas, but asked Council to give him authorization to contract with him for our water operations.

Alderman Morse inquired about the 30 day notice; she asked if the city was the only one required to give a 30 day notice to cancel a contract.

Mr. Brick replied he was required to give a 30 day notice but did not.

2. DISCUSS CONTRACTING OR HIRING FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES FOR THE WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT.

Item tabled.

DISCUSS AUTHORIZING FUNDS TO PAY FOR CITY SWIMMING POOL PLANS.

City Administrator Brick said the Pool Committee has spoken to Mark McDaniel and a company by the name of Aaron Franklin to provide final drawings for the swimming pool.

Alderman Montgomery said they would like to use the two companies to get complete plans.

Mr. Brick said he would be asking for \$13,500 for the plans.

Mayor Spicer opened the discussion:

LeRoy Tavares, 4229 Karankawa Way, inquired about the focus of the pool in regards to the plans, management or operational functions.

Alderman Montgomery replied the Pool Committee is focusing on rather we can afford to build the pool then the committee will discuss management, fees, etc.

Ruth Carrasco, 4229 Karankawa Way, inquired if the pool will be a lap pool; asked if it would have lanes.

Alderman Montgomery replied the original plans did have lanes, but the new plans do not.

Mark Sloan, 16531 Jamaica Cove Rd., suggests incorporating a lap pool.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 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

The following Councilmember's were present:

Mayor Steve Spicer
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Alderman Brad South
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The following staff was present:

City Administrator Brick City Secretary Rushing

CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON JULY 22, 2013.) *No requests to address Council.*

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- CONSIDER FOR ACTION RESIGNATION OF THE WATER OPERATOR CONTRACTOR.
 - Alderman Denby motioned to accept the resignation of the current water operator's contract and to contract with Silvas Water & Wastewater Services. Second by Alderman South. Unanimously approved.
- 2. CONSIDER FOR ACTION CONTRACTING OR HIRING FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES FOR THE WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT.

Item tabled.

3. CONSIDER FOR ACTION AUTHORIZING FUNDS TO PAY FOR CITY SWIMMING POOL PLANS.

Alderman Morse motioned to authorize \$13,500 to pay for the swimming pool plans. Second by Alderman South. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURN

Mayor Spicer 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 Montgomery. Unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.