



CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 28, 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

Mayor Steve Spicer 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 Sherwood Green
Alderman Rosemary Lindley
Alderman Marci Kurtz*

The following Councilmember was absent:

Alderman David Welch

The following staff was present:

*City Administrator Brick
Sgt. John Aucoin*

CITIZEN INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON AUGUST 28, 2017.)

No requests to address Council.

NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS CHANGES TO THE FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE.

City Administrator Brick provided Council with a copy of the changes to the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance; he noted the revisions were indicated in red font. No further discussion.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. CONSIDER FOR ACTION THE LETTER FROM BEACHCOMBER PROPERTY OWNER BOB FRIEDMAN RECOMMENDING A PUBLIC HEARING BE CONDUCTED FOR THE BEACHCOMBER PROPERTY OWNERS REGARDING THE BEACH DUNE PROJECT.

Alderman Green motioned to Table the item. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved by those present.

2. **CONSIDER FOR ACTION A PROPOSAL FROM A JAMAICA BEACH CITIZEN TO ALLOW A "FREE LITTLE LIBRARY" BE INSTALLED AS A GIRL SCOUT PROJECT.**
Alderman Kurtz motioned to authorize the free little library Girl Scout project pending Council approval on the location and design. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved by those present.
3. **CONSIDER FOR ACTION ADOPTING THE GALVESTON COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT 2018 WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AND ABATEMENT CONTRACT DESIGNATING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AS THE CONTRACTING OFFICER.**
Alderman Green motioned to adopt the Galveston County Health District 2018 Water Pollution Control and Abatement Contract designating the City Administrator as the Contracting Officer. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved by those present.
4. **CONSIDER FOR ACTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018.**
Alderman Green motioned to conduct a Public Hearing on the City of Jamaica Beach Proposed Budgets for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 on September 18, 2017 at 6:00PM in the City Council Chambers. Second by MPT Montgomery. Motion unanimously approved by those present.
5. **CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE AMENDED FLOOD HAZARD REGULATIONS ENTITLED FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE IN THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
MPT Montgomery motioned to approve an Ordinance adopting the amended Flood Hazard Regulations entitled Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance in the City of Jamaica Beach, Texas. Second by Alderman Green. Item was opened for Council discussion. MPT Montgomery questioned the revision on page 16, item 11 concerning the downstairs area floor to be a minimum of a foot and half above the slab; he wondered how it would work if a person had an elevator. Council directed the City Administrator to consult with the GLO for answers prior to approval. MPT Montgomery withdrew his motion to approve the Ordinance then he made a new motion to Table the item until the next Council Meeting. Second by Alderman Green. Motion to Table item unanimously approved by those present.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick reported he has been working on the Community Rating System in hopes it will discount the flood insurance rates in Jamaica Beach; he's been dealing with Hurricane Harvey for the last few days; he thanked everyone that has been helping him with the storm.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Spicer gave a special thank you to Keith Gray with CenterPoint for promptly getting the power back on in Jamaica Beach; noted the Baptist Church will be opening as a shelter and will be in need of supplies if anyone would like to donate, please contact Stephanie at 214-642-3976; gave his regards and prayers to the cities affected by Hurricane Harvey.

ALDERMEN REPORTS

MPT Montgomery reported the Lions Club postponed their Annual Fundraiser this year.

Alderman Kurtz reported one of the new beach signs is missing because of the storm; if anyone finds it, please turn it in to City Hall.

Alderman Lindley, Alderman Green – No Report

POLICE REPORT

Sgt. Aucoin provided the Police report; he said JBPD did extra patrolling during the storm; two JBPD Officer's had to evacuate their homes due to flooding, their houses were severely damaged by the storm.

ADJOURN

Mayor Spicer said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. MPT Montgomery motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Green. Motion unanimously approved by those present. Meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.