

Minutes of Special Meeting of the City Council

Tuesday, November 17, 2020 – 7:00 PM

Village of Surfside Beach

1304 Monument Drive

Surfside Beach, TX 77541

The City Council reserves the right to meet in closed session on any agenda item, should the need arise and if applicable, pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

COUNCIL MEETING:

- 1) **Mayor Davison called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and acknowledged that a quorum was present, Councilman Robertson attended via phone.**
- 2) **INVOCATION by Councilman Jalifi, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3) **Canvass the election. Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2020.11.10ELE CANVASS OF THE 2020 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION.** Motion was made by Capretta to accept the Ordinance 2020.11.10ELE canvassing the election. Motion was seconded by Jalifi and passed unanimously.
- 4) **Swearing in of Mayor and councilmembers by Chief Phillips.**
- 5) **Discuss and take possible action to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem.** Motion was made by Jalifi to appoint Toni Capretta as Mayor Pro Tem. Motion was seconded by Wilson and passed unanimously.
- 6) **Mayor/council/committee/department head/organization reports**

Chief Phillips – monthly pd activity report, thanked everyone for the fundraiser attendance and donations;

Gregg Bisso – gave update on the work order status, debris removal, the Velasco Drainage work, the sewer plant repairs and the Fin Alley parking area.

Toni Capretta – Dunes day is January 16, 2021, questions about the splash pad cleaning;

Jennie Green-Prats – stated that the proposed setback ordinance had been sent to the attorney and his opinion was not favorable;

Mark Wilson – update on the CEPRA funds and RESTORE fund projects;

Sean Robertson – asked about the boat ramp sign and Swan Court repairs;

Sandy Shanks – gave tourism committee update;

Peggy Llewellyn – gave Beach Advisory Committee update;

Oscar Jalifi – Bluewater Highway striping; “no left turn” sign on Ling at the intersection and debris at Sargasso and Thunder.

- 7) ***ALL ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE SELF-EXPLANATORY, AND THE COUNCIL WILL ENACT THEM WITH ONE MOTION. UNLESS A COUNCIL MEMBER SO REQUESTS, NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS WILL OCCUR.***

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. **Consider approval of minutes from the Council meeting on October 13, 2020.**
- B. **Consider approval of the October 2020 financials.**
- C. **Consider approval of the Surfside Beach Police Department General Policy and Procedure Manual re: Use of Force**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta to remove item C and pass the items A & B as presented. Motion was seconded by Green-Prats and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Green-Prats to adopt item C with changes made indicating correct city name. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta and passed unanimously.

- 8) **Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2020-11-10A regarding approval of new FEMA floodplain maps.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta to adopt Ordinance 2020-11-10A FEMA floodplain maps. Motion was seconded by Jalifi and passed unanimously.

9) Discuss and take possible action on items from the July 27, 2020

meeting:

- 3: notice/status of completing the labeling, mapping, and spreadsheet cataloging all pits (was due within 60days).
- 5: (due in October) to provide to council a full list of all pits including there condition plus the combined information from #21 with maintenance records of pits and parts used.
- 6: (due in November) – overview of the grading system for pits, and the plan to fix all pits in accordance with the grading system (i.e. age and condition).
- 8: (due in November) – a plan for which pits need risers and have them done in 6-months. In addition to the previous agenda item, it will be briefed as to how the risers will be attached securely and sealed to prevent water from infiltrating at the seam between the riser and the pit.
- 11: for council to be briefed on the new standard operating procedures for safety and the procedure now being used after a sewer leak.
- 12,13,14: the council will be briefed on the improvements for working conditions, shelving, and cleanliness.
- 19: for council to review the quote and recommended actions received from consultation from John Mercer in support of the Air Vac Sewer System.
- 22: a full briefing from the assigned TCEQ EnviroMentor engineer.
- 23: results of the research on grants for 1) getting the system up to par, 2) potential future opportunities for system capacity and expansion.

Motion was made by Robertson to table this item until Dec. 8 meeting.

Motion was seconded by Wilson and passed unanimously.

10) Discuss and take possible action on appointing an HGAC representative for 2021.

Motion was made by Wilson to appoint Jennie Green-Prats as 2021 HGAC representative. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta and passed unanimously.

11) Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2020-11-10B, adding a decibel measurement to the noise ordinance as discussed and approved at the October Council meeting.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta to adopt Ordinance 2020-11-10B noise ordinance. Motion was seconded by Green-Prats and passed unanimously.

12) Discuss and take possible action on Ord 2020-11-10C amending the schedule of fees allowing an increase in the water rates.

Motion was made by Jalifi to approve Ord 2020-11-10C schedule of fees. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta and passed unanimously.

- 13) **Discuss and take possible action on the Village of Surfside Beach 2021 employee vacation schedule.**

Motion was made by Green-Prats to approve the VOSB 2021 employee vacation schedule. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta and passed unanimously.

- 14) **Discuss and take possible action on an Oak Tree planting proposal at the Nature Trail.**

Motion was made by Green=Prats to accept the proposal for trees only. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta and passed unanimously.

- 15) **Discuss and take possible action on a Proposal for FEMA BRIC Grant Application.**


Motion was made by Green-Prats to accept the proposal. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Capretta and passed unanimously.

- 16) **Business of visitors not on the agenda. If you would like to speak to council on any subject not on the agenda, you should either (1) text your request to 979-482-7851 include your name and address; (2) email amanda@surfsidetx.org or (3) use the chat feature on the webex portal at <https://meetingsamer4.webex.com/meet/csr>**

None

- 17) Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Passed and approved this 8th day of December 2020.



Gregg Bisso, Mayor

Attest:



Amanda Davenport, City Secretary