

Minutes of Special Meeting of the City Council

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 – 7:00 PM

Village of Surfside Beach

1304 Monument Drive

Surfside Beach, TX 77541

COUNCIL MEETING:

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER, QUORUM IN ATTENDANCE**
Mayor Bisso called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and recognized a quorum of the Council was present.
- 2) **INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Oscar Jalifi gave the invocation.
- 3) **Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2023.05.16ME
CANVASS OF THE 2023 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION.**

Mayor Bisso read the election results as follows:

Deric Hebert	73
Paul Hermonat	16
Mark Wilson	38
Zach Parsch	76
Glenda McGonigle	17
Oscar Jalifi	92
Bob Petty	33
Jennie Green-Prats	77

Motion was made by Petty to approve Ordinance 2023.05.16ME, canvassing the 2023 Municipal Election Results. Motion was seconded by Robertson and passed unanimously.

- 4) **Swearing in of Council members by Chief Moncier and presentation by Surfside Marina to the Volunteer Fire Department.**

Zach Parsch, Jennie Green-Prats and Oscar Jalifi were sworn in. Surfside Marina presented a check for \$7431.52 to the Volunteer Fire Department.
- 5) **Mayor/council/committee/departement head/organization reports**
Police Chief Moncier- gave the monthly PD activity report; thanked the following for their help and support during the recent search for a drowning victim: Texas Equusearch, USCG, Bob Petty and Mr. and Mrs. Petree; also recognized and thanked Hooked on Tackle for the donation of a drone.
Robert King – gave the EMS monthly activity report;
Michelle Booth – the new mobile app goes live this summer;
Dortha Pekar – June 27 is the dedication of the Historical monument;
Maribel Hill – PZ Committee, the lighting ordinance is ready for Council;
Erick Ingram – Had a recent TCEQ inspection and the entire city passed; 60/40 water blend with Freeport/BWA water; lost 2 vacuum lines due to the

recent rains.

J Gerber – Schedule infrastructure inspection; TDEM Mike Jones – schedule a meeting re: hazard mitigation grants;

S. Robertson – Very proud of the police department and Chief Moncier and thanks to Erick in Public Works;

O Jalifi – Senior tax exemptions; A-Frame housing threats with erosion; Lake Court fire hydrant is inoperable;

G Bisso – Seaweed remains on the sand and is vital for nourishment and dune rebuilding; beach entrances remain a problem due to high tides; groin project is still moving along; HGAC grant for the sewer system is still moving at a snails pace; interviewing attorneys to handle the SPOT issue.

6) Business of visitors not on the agenda.

Steve Porter would like to see the financials added to the city website.

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 April 11, 2023.

B. Consider approval of the April 2023 financials.

Motion was made by J Green-Prats to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Jalifi and passed unanimously

8) Discuss and take possible action to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem.

Motion was made by Gerber to appoint Jennie Green-Prats as Mayor Pro Tempore. Motion was seconded by Jalifi and passed unanimously.

9) Discuss and take possible action to approve proposed changes to Surfside Code of Ordinance Chapter 22 Law Enforcement, Article II, Section 22-24 (see submitted section for revisions).

Motion was made by Robertson to approve the changes to Chapter 22, Article II, Section 22-24. Motion was seconded by Gerber (for the purposed of discussion) and the motion passed 4 for 1 against (Gerber).

10) Discuss and take possible action to approve proposed changes to Surfside Code of Ordinance Chapter 22 Law Enforcement, Article II, Section 22-25 (see submitted section for revisions).

Motion was made by Robertson to approve the changes to Chapter 22, Article II, Section 22-62. Motion was seconded by Gerber (for the purposed of discussion) and the motion passed ~~4~~₃ for 2 against (Gerber & Green-Prats).

11) Discuss and take possible action to approve proposed changes to Surfside Code of Ordinance Chapter 22 Law Enforcement, Article II, Section 22-62 (see submitted section for revisions).

Motion was made by Robertson to approve the changes to Chapter 22,

Article II, Section 22-62. Motion was seconded by Gerber (for the purposed of discussion) and the motion passed unanimously.

- 12) **Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2023-05-16A adopting the International Building Code.**

This item was pulled from the agenda until further notice by Mayor Bisso

- 13) **Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2023-05-16B amending solid waste ordinance, Chapter 38 Article III of the Code of Ordinances to bring the Code of Ordinances in line with current fees and services.**

Motion was made by Green-Prats to approve Ordinance 2023-05-16B. Motion was seconded by Parsch and passed unanimously.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 38, ARTICLE III, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF SURFSIDE BEACH, TEXAS, AMENDING THE ORDINANCE APPLICABLE TO WASTE SERVICE; AMENDING THE SERVICE RATE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; CREATING A PENALTY; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

- 14) **Discuss and take possible action to fill vacancies within the Village of Surfside' s Planning Commission, appointing Mark Wilson as a member for remainder of the unexpired term, and considering other available applicants.**

Motion was made by Gerber to appoint Mark Wilson to the planning committee and Deric Hebert as an alternate. Motion was seconded by Green-Prats and passed 3 for 2 against (Robertson & Jalifi)

- 15) **Discuss and take possible action on replacing/repairing or renovating the City Hall building and the steps that need to be taken to make a decision.**

Motion was made by Jalifi to go out for bids for repairs to the City Hall and Museum building. Motion was seconded by Parsch and passed unanimously.

- 16) **Adjourn 9:10 pm**



Gregg Bisso, Mayor

Attest:



Amanda Davenport
City Secretary