

Minutes of Meeting of the City Council

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 – 7:00 PM

Village of Surfside Beach

1304 Monument Drive

Surfside Beach, TX 77541

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER, QUORUM IN ATTENDANCE**
Mayor Bisso called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and noted that Jalifi is absent and Robertson attended via Zoom.
- 2) **INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Parsch gave the invocation and Mayor Bisso led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) **Mayor/council/department head reports**
Gerber: Thanked out-going Alderman Robertson for his service; Dortha - May 18 re-enactment of the Signing of the Treaty of Ft. Velasco
Parsch: Beach permits, still working out the kinks regarding the daily pass;
Mayor Bisso: Update on the groin project and Stahlman Park repairs;;
HGAC sewer grant is still crawling along; Stahlman Park is close to completion;
Chief Moncier: reported on the monthly PD activities for March
Michelle Booth: Adopt a Beach, OGSR and VFD Fundraiser coming up
- 4) Business of visitors not on the agenda. **None**
- 5) **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 March 12, 2024.**
 - B. **Consider approval of accounts payable from February and March, 2024.**
 - C. **Discuss and take possible action regarding a Proclamation declaring April 2024 as Fair Housing Month.**

Motion was made by Gerber to remove item A and approve the remainder of the consent items as presented. Motion was seconded by Green-Prats and passed unanimously.

- 6) **Discuss and take possible action to approve RESOLUTION NO. 04.12.24 adopting the 2023 Brazoria County Hazard Mitigation Plan.**

Motion was made by Gerber to approve Res. 04.12.24 adopting the 2023 BC Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion was seconded by Parsch and passed unanimously.

- 7) Discuss and take possible action to repair, replace or remove the crabbing pier.**

Motion was made by Green-Prats to table this item. Motion was seconded by Gerber and passed unanimously.

- 8) Discuss and take possible action to approve Ordinance 2024-04-09B amending the Code of Ordinances regarding the duties of the City Secretary.**

Motion was made by Gerber to approve Ord 2024-04-09B regarding the duties of the City Secretary. Motion was seconded by Green-Prats and passed unanimously.

- 9) Discuss and take possible action to approve Ordinance 2024-04-09C creating a Finance Director position.**

Motion was made by Gerber to approve Ord. 2024-04-09C creating a Finance Director position. Motion was seconded by Parsch and passed unanimously.

- 10) Discuss and take possible action to modify section 2-90 of the Code of Ordinances regarding special and emergency meetings.**

Motion was made by Gerber to amend the ordinance regarding how many council members it takes to call a special and/or emergency meeting to as few as state law allows. Motion was seconded by Robertson and passed unanimously.

- 11) Discuss and take possible action on an Interlocal Agreement with Brazoria County for the collection of taxes and PID assessment for the Village of Surfside Beach.**

Motion was made by Gerber to approve the ILA with BC for the collection of taxes. Motion was seconded by Green-Prats and passed unanimously.

- 12) Discuss and take possible action on a Resolution regarding a contract for the purpose of financing Heavy Equipment (mini-excavator).**

Motion was made by Green-Prats to table this item. Motion was seconded by Parsch and passed unanimously.

- 13) Discuss interagency cooperation of the emergency services of Surfside Beach Texas and surrounding municipalities, and how these relationships save lives and create opportunities.**

Jon Gerber congratulated Chris Beall on his service in EMS.

- 14) **To discuss and take possible action on a modification to Sec 8 of the Surfside Beach Ordinance to allow residents a maximum of 6 egg laying hens with a coop 50 ft from any residential structure.**

Motion by Gerber to modify the Code of Ordinance to allow chickens in residential areas. Motion was seconded by Robertson and a tie vote was taken which was broken with a vote of nay by Mayor Bisso.


- 15) **Discuss and take possible action to approve Resolution 2024-04-12-CPC entering into the Houston Coalition of Cities to be represented in the CenterPoint Energy rate change request.**

Motion was made by Green-Prats to approve Ordinance 2024-04-12-CPC regarding joining the Houston Coalition of Cities. Motion was seconded by Robertson and passed unanimously.

- 16) **Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2024-04-09 denying the rate increase request and revised rate schedules by CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC.**

Motion was made by Green-Prats to approve Ord 2024-04-09 denying the rate increase request and revised rate schedules by CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC. Motion was seconded by Gerber and passed unanimously.

- 17) **Adjourn at 8:21 pm**



Gregg Bisso, Mayor

Attest:



Amanda Davenport City Secretary