

**Minutes of  
Regular Meeting of the City Council**

Tuesday, 8/09/16 – 7:00 PM

**VILLAGE OF SURFSIDE BEACH**

1304 Monument Drive  
Surfside Beach, TX 77541

**1) QUORUM IN ATTENDANCE, CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Davison called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and announced that a quorum of council was present including Mayor Larry Davison, Councilman Troy McMinn, Councilwoman Toni Capretta, Councilwoman Marissa McMinn, Councilman Dave Guzman and Councilwoman Peggy Llewellyn.

Present employees were Police Chief Gary W. Phillips and City Secretary Amanda Davenport.

**2) MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Davison asked everyone to pause for a moment of silence and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3) BUSINESS OF VISITORS NOT ON THE AGENDA -**

Maribel Hill inquired into the status of the dilapidated home at 127 Nesmith and spoke regarding the road repairs on Nesmith.

Melinda Wilhelm asked about the status of the Sandpebble Street road work.

**4) Mayor/council/committee/department head/organization reports**

Chief Phillips gave the monthly activity report for the police department;

Ron Grant reported that there was not a Planning Commission meeting this month and the regular Historical Committee meeting has been rescheduled this month.

Dortha Pekar updated Council on the plans for the Navy Day Dinner and the article in Image magazine on the Ft. Velasco site.

Janna Williams asked about when to and how to get budget recommendations considered by Council.

Toni Capretta asked Chief how well the Beach Drive permit parking was going and how it was being handled by beach patrol. Chief said they are learning how to get the attention of the beach goers when a vehicle isn't permitted and the beach patrol makes a circle from one end of the island city limits to the other, patrolling the pedestrian beach and regular access beach.

Councilman Guzman noted several items as follows: some street signs are missing or so faded that they are no longer able to be read; there is a culvert exposed near Quilty Cove at the corner of Parkview and Middle Drive; Beach Drive "parking permit required" signs are too small and confusing.

Peggy Llewellyn reported on the archaeological report and spoke with the Texas Parks and Wildlife and there has been an extension granted on the Phase II grant. Beach budget running low, do we need to think about raising the permit fee, since it takes so long to get it done?

**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 July, 2016 council meeting.**
- B. Consider approval of the July 2016 financials.**
- C. Consider approval appointing Julie Harris to the Planning Commission as an alternate member.**
- D. Consider acceptance of the resignation of Suzan Zachariah from the Planning Commission.**
- E. Consider approval appointing Peggy Llewellyn as the Council Liaison to the Historical Committee.**

Mayor Pro Tem McMinn requested the removal of item "D" from the agenda stating that it was placed on the agenda this month in error.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem McMinn to approve the consent item minus item D. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Capretta and passed unanimously with Councilwoman Llewellyn abstaining due to conflict.

**6) Discuss and take possible action on approval of a fundraising event for the Surfside Police/EMS Department on September 23-25, 2016.**

Chief Phillips presented this item to Council.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Llewellyn to approve this item. Councilman Guzman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**7) Discuss and take possible action on removing the stop signs on Ft. Velasco Drive at Oyster and Texas streets.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem McMinn to remove the signs. Councilwoman Llewellyn seconded the motion and it passed with a vote of 4 for and 1 opposed (Councilwoman Capretta).

**8) Discuss and take possible action on approval of the Fiscal Year 2017 road and bridge interlocal agreement between the Village of Surfside Beach and Brazoria County.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem McMinn to approve the 2017 road and bridge ILA with Brazoria County. Councilwoman Llewellyn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**9) Discuss and take possible action on FY 2016 proposed tax rate with a roll call vote and schedule two public hearings regarding the proposed tax rate.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem McMinn to approve the FY2016 proposed tax rate of .359506.

Councilwoman Llewellyn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Marissa McMinn – aye    Troy McMinn – aye    Toni Capretta – aye  
Peggy Llewellyn – aye    Dave Guzman – aye

**10) Discuss and take possible action on budget workshop dates.**

Motion was made by Councilwoman Llewellyn to schedule a workshop on August 23, 2016. Councilwoman Capretta seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**11) Discuss and take possible action on allowing the Historical Committee use of the City Hall Council Chambers on Sept. 17, 2016.**

Motion was made by Councilwoman Llewellyn to allow the use of City Hall by the Historical Committee. Councilman Guzman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**12) Executive Session**

The City Council may convene into closed executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY: specifically regarding pending litigation pertaining to Cause No. 82207-CV; Schwall, et al v. Village of Surfside, et al. AND Cause No. 87653-CV Surfside Vistas, L.P. vs. The State of Texas, Et Al.

Council recessed into executive session at 8:04 p.m. and reconvened regular council meeting at 8:33 p.m.

**13) Action, if any, out of executive session.**

Motion was made by Councilman Guzman to direct the City Attorney to answer the new lawsuit, Cause No. 876853-CV. Councilman Capretta seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**14) Adjourn**

Mayor Davison adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.



Larry Davison  
Mayor

Attest:



Amanda Davenport, City Secretary

