

MINUTES

December 9, 2014

Village Council Regular Meeting

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Larry Davison, Councilwoman E. Elizabeth Brown, Councilman Troy McMinn  
Councilman Chris Gaschler, Councilman Gregg Bisso, Councilwoman Sharon Aust

Employees Present: Chief Phillips, Sandra Miller, Pete Gutierrez

- 1) OPEN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
- 2) MOMENT OF SILENCE
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 4) CITIZENS'/VISITORS' COMMENTS TO COUNCIL

Brooks Porter inquired into the status of Beach Drive CEPRAs projects. Mayor Davison gave an update on the project stating how the scope of the project came to be. The project should begin approximately January 15, 2015, and should only last about six weeks.

**5) MAYORAL/ALDERMEN/COMMITTEE/POLICE ANNOUNCEMENTS -**

Troy McMinn stated that a new pole needs to be placed for the camera outside City Hall pointed towards the dumpsters. Mayor Davison asked the Chief and Pete to look into this and suggested that they try cleaning the camera first to see if that fixes the problem.

Sharon Aust said that the mosquitoes are very bad and asked that someone call Brazoria County Mosquito Control and get on the spraying schedule. Ms. Aust also inquired about ditch cleanout. Mayor Davison said the property owner needs to call City Hall and request drainage cleanout and that City Hall would send a request to Velasco Drainage District.

Chief went over the activity for the month. Peter Gutierrez updated Council on the TCEQ violation notice that was received regarding sampling of copper and lead. Pete also stated that we will be replacing the Yucca ground storage tank and funding it with the TWDB remaining funds. Some residents are having issues with sewer lines; Pete said there is sand penetrating the lines. Public Works will get a camera to look at the lines internally.

Committees: Ronnie Grant gave the update on the latest Planning Commission meeting.

Dortha Pekar also addressed the public to say that the Historical Commission had a productive meeting.

Janna Williams said that the Tourism Committee did not meet but that Sharon Aust is going to be attending a meeting with Dennis Bonnen.

Peggy Llewellyn stated that BAC did meet, and the committee is looking at changes beyond the Beach User Fee.

**6) CONSENT ITEMS:**

- a) Consider approval of the minutes for the November 2014 meeting.
- b) Consider approval of the financials for November 2014.
- c) Consider accepting the resignation of Sandra Miller, City Secretary-Treasurer.

Bisso made motion. Gaschler seconded. Council were all in favor to pass the motion.

## **7) REGULAR SESSION**

### **a.) Discuss and consider an amended ordinance regulating recreation parks in Surfside Beach.**

Aust made motion. Gaschler seconded. With one abstention, council passed the motion.

### **b.) Discuss and consider approval of a contract with Blackboard Connect.**

McMinn made motion to approve the Blackboard Connect contract. Bisso seconded. The council unanimously passed the motion.

### **c.) Discuss and consider appointing three new members to the Tourism/Beautification Committee.**

Aust made the motion to appoint Lucas, Moore, and Hill. Gaschler seconded. The council passed the motion unanimously.

### **d.) Discuss and consider reallocating funds from the General Fund to the Hotel Fund for the Ft. Velasco rebuild project.**

Bisso made the motion to reallocate funds in the amount of \$34,775.00 back to the Hotel Fund. Gaschler seconded. Council unanimously passed the motion.

### **e.) Discuss and consider approval of resolutions related to FFAST (Fair Housing) policies and procedures.**

Sandra Miller explained that this is another step from GrantWorks regarding the Round Two Ike dollars.

McMinn made the motion to approve the FFAST Resolutions 12201409A, 12201409B, and 12201409C. Bisso seconded. The council unanimously passed the motion.

### **f.) Discuss and consider directing staff to create a service plan for annexation of two tracts of land directly adjacent to the most eastern city limits of the Village of Surfside Beach in the village's extraterritorial jurisdiction extending from the Gulf of Mexico to Bluewater Highway and from Bluewater Highway to the bay.**

Bisso made the motion for Attorney Kirwin to create the service plan. McMinn seconded. The council unanimously passed the motion.

### **g.) Discuss and consider financing options on the USDA bonds.**

After full discussion of this item, council directed staff to move forward gathering financial options.

### **h.) Discuss and consider an ordinance amending the Surfside Beach Dune Protection and Beach Access Plan by increasing the beach user fee changing the permits for resale and designating a vehicle beach access point.**

McMinn made the motion to approve Ordinance 2014-14 increasing the beach user fee to \$12.00 per year. Bisso seconded. Council passed the motion unanimously.

*AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SURFSIDE BEACH, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING A CHANGE TO THE DUNE PROTECTION AND BEACH ACCESS PLAN BY INCREASING THE BEACH USER FEE FROM \$8.00 TO \$12.00 AND CHANGING THE PERMITS FOR RESALE FEES; AUTHORIZING A CHANGE TO THE DUNE PROTECTION AND BEACH ACCESS PLAN BY INDICATING THAT SEAGULL AVENUE IS A VEHICLE BEACH ACCESS POINT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE*

*ALL NECESSARY ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SUCH CHANGES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.*

**i.) Discuss and consider changes to the Brazoria County Erosion Response Plan.**

McMinn made a motion to approve Resolution No. 12201409D amending the Beach Access/Dune Protection Plan by adopting the Erosion Response Plan (ERP). Gaschler seconded. Council unanimously passed the motion.

**8) CLOSED SESSION – 8:10 PM**

The Village Council to convene into closed session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, "Personnel Matters," to discuss any action necessary regarding personnel, specifically:

Discuss and consider appointing Amanda Davenport as City Secretary – Treasurer.

**9) RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 8:35 PM**


**The Village Council to reconvene into open session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, "Personnel Matters," to discuss any action necessary regarding personnel, specifically:**

**Discuss and consider appointing Amanda Davenport as City Secretary – Treasurer.**

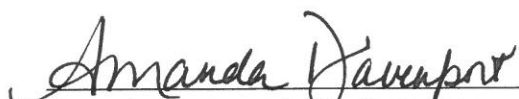
Gaschler made the motion to appoint Amanda Davenport as City Secretary – Treasurer. Aust seconded. Council unanimously passed the motion.

**10) ADJOURNMENT – CITY COUNCIL MEETING at 8:40 pm.**

**APPROVED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2015.**

  
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Larry Davison  
Mayor

Attest:

  
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Amanda Davenport, City Secretary