

City Council Special Meeting - MINUTES

November 11, 2014

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Larry Davison, Councilwoman E. Elizabeth Brown, Councilman Troy McMinn
Councilman Chris Gaschler, Councilman Gregg Bisso, Councilwoman Sharon Aust and
Department Heads: Police Chief Gary Phillips, Secretary Sandra Miller

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1) OPEN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

2) MOMENT OF SILENCE

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4) CITIZENS'/VISITORS' COMMENTS TO COUNCIL

- Mrs. Pavey asked about the telephone alert system purchased by the city. She wanted to know why it was not used. She stated that she felt it should be used when we have elevated bacteria in the Gulf, water quality issues on the island and other such emergencies. Mayor Davison stated that as Mayor he did not feel that the system should be used unless there was an actual emergency that would impact the whole island.
- Suzan Zachariah was recognized; she wanted to announce that there would be another neighborhood night out to kick off the holidays. It was noted what a success this occasion had been last time.
- Bob Petty of the audience had a speaker card but it was for an item in the agenda – the RV Park Ordinance.

5) MAYORAL/ALDERMEN/COMMITTEE/POLICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chief Phillips read the police activity report for the month and announced the Christmas Party for the kids of Surfside.
- Dortha Pekar stated that the Historical Commission had not met due to the sudden loss of Jan Grant. Mrs. Pekar was visibly grieved by the loss of Mrs. Grant and the whole

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made by Councilman Bisso to table the item until next month at which time an ordinance could be considered that was without the fee, motion was seconded by Councilman Gaschler and with all in favor the item was tabled.

2. Discuss and consider allowing louvered enclosures in Surfside Beach.

• Bob Petty of the audience said "I told you this was legal a year ago" – It was noted by Sandra Miller the history of this local ordinance and the restriction of the 300 sq. ft. and that the TWDB applauded the efforts of the city to be stricter than FEMA laws. Sandra then said that if Council wants to allow for full louvered enclosures she could get all rules and regulations and ask Tim to amend the ordinance and then bring it back to Council to adopt. Councilman Gaschler said yes to this, this item was tabled.

3. Discuss and consider a petition for annexation of private property.

• Billy Smith, partner of Howard Street Condos – spoke to the Council asking for his land to be annexed. This land is unimproved and is contiguous to the land at the city limits. Billy said that there was ample water and that the public works has water that they waste at the far end due to flushing. Councilwoman Aust asked what the development plans were, Smith said that it would be residential and on the gulf side. A motion was made by Councilman Bisso, seconded by Councilwoman Brown and with all in favor the petition was accepted to annex the land within the ETJ on the far east city limits off Bluewater Highway.

4. Discuss and consider amendments to the Surfside Beach Dune Protection and Beach Access Plan.

• Sandra explained that this was to be an agenda item to consider changes but due to an agreement reached with the GLO to expedite the fee change these changes were placed on hold. No action.

5. Discuss and consider approval of the paid holidays for eligible employees for calendar year 2015.

room had to take a breath and regain composure, (personal note for the record – Mrs. Jan Grant was a part of the Historical Commission in Surfside for many years and fought hard for its' enhancement and betterment as well as for the rebuild of the Fort Velasco, SM)

- Suzan Zachariah said that the Planning Commission had met, they spoke about louvered enclosures, a re-plat and assigned the task of listing all public and private streets in Surfside Beach.
- Janna Williams spoke about the Tourism/Beautification Committee meeting that had taken place that night. She said it was a good meeting and many ideas were discussed.
- Donna Robinson stated that the Beach Advisory Committee had met and went over more of the changes needed for the local Beach Access and Dune Protection Plan.
- Mayor Davison gave an update on the CEPRA projects. The projects were on schedule and should be complete by March 15th. After this it is hopeful that a groin can be added to recycle the migrating sand. Brooks Porter asked where the new revetment wall would end this time, Mayor said in about the same location and then went into the scope of the project and some of the design features.

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6) CONSENT ITEMS.

- a) *Consider approval of the minutes for November 2014*
- b) *Consider approval of the financials for November 2014*

• Councilman Bisso made a motion to approve the consent items, seconded by Councilman Gaschler and with all in favor the items were approved.

7) REGULAR SESSION

1. Discuss and consider amendments to an ordinance regulating Recreation Parks in Surfside Beach.

• Councilman McMinn left the council seat and joined the audience for this item because he has an RV Park and wanted to speak as a citizen businessman. After much discussion regarding the fee and need for the vehicles to be moved on a regular basis a motion was

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• It was noted that two of the 2015 dates had 2014 listed as the year in error, the items were approved with a motion by Aust seconded by Brown with the corrected years ... the vote was unanimous.

8) CLOSED SESSION – NO ACTION TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

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- Sandra Miller, City Secretary
- Alfred Pena, Police Reserve
- Heath Justin Smith, Police Reserve
- Vladimir Alanis, Police Reserve

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-Administrative Appeal between the Village of Surfside Beach, Texas and the General Land Office, Docket No. GLOAH-BMR-792014-1

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9) RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

The City Council to reconvene into open session and take any action, if necessary, on the items considered and discussed in closed executive session namely:

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- Sandra Miller, City Secretary - No action
 - Alfred Pena, Police Reserve
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- No action was taken on the resignation of Sandra Miller, the item was tabled for the December meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Bisso, seconded by Councilwoman Brown and with all in favor the reserve officers were approved.

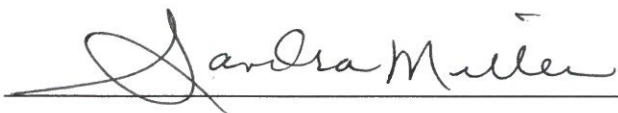
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- A motion was made by Councilwoman Aust to approve the appeal, seconded by Councilwoman Brown and with all in favor the appeal deal was approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

Attest:



Sandra Miller, City Secretary

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