

## BEACH CITY COUNCIL

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Beach City Council met for a Regular Meeting November 25, 2008 at the Beach City Community Building. Those present were:

MAYOR: Guido Persiani

MAYOR PRO TEM: Rita Standridge

ALDERMAN: Douglas Walker Ray Smith Vaughn Bercaw Tommy Clayton

CITY ATTORNEY: Daniel Jackson

CITY SECRETARY: Margaret Gainer- Absent

CITY SECRETARY TEMP: Marilyn K. Harrison

Mayor Persiani called the meeting to order at 7:12 P.M. Tuesday, November 25, 2008

**I. Review and consider approval of the Regular Meeting minutes of October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008.**

Minutes reviewed by Council during the meeting.

MOTION made to approve and accept minutes as amended.

MOTION: Walker Seconded: Standridge APPROVED: 5-0

Amended to read in item VI Paragraph 1 to amend the spelling of Mayor Persiani's name, also to strike sentences 2 and 3 from the records and amending sentence 5 to read "He would like to have the (Morrison's and Drye's) make one last informational statement for the Council's consideration." Same item number on the Motion to read "made not to sell or amend the right-of way.

Item IX amended to say- Mayor Persiani was appointed to be the City Representation to HGAC'S General Assembly.

Item X amended to say -The General Land Office is working on removing debris from Trinity Bay.

Item XI amended to finish sentence 5-"here is a minor plat with a driveway that does not meet the County Rd. right-of way standards. Mr. Johnson will be advised to submit a revised plat for further Consideration by City Council."

**II. Review and consider approval of the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for 4 months ending October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008.**

Not completed. Deferred until next meeting.

**III. Review and consider approval of the proposed expenditures and investments.**

The City paid the HGAC Dues for 2009 in the amount of 200.00.

Mayor Persiani had two expense items. One was for the HGAC meeting, dinner and mileage (travel) \$104.35 and the other item was a new carrying case and mouse for the City's laptop for \$52.78.

The City had a bill from Centerpoint/Reliant Energy for \$1119.34. We will need to research their numbers from previous bills to make sure this amount is proper. This happened last year. Mayor Persiani wants the electric company to come out and review this and do a billing adjustment. Alderman Smith reported that one street light is gone and we only have 9 now.

Motion made to approve the November 25, 2008 Expenditure Authorization  
Motion: Walker      Seconded: Smith      Approved: 5-0

**IV. Review and act upon acquisition of Quickbooks Premier for Beach City accounting software.**

Alderman Smith asked for cost, Mayor Persiani quoted \$317.99 at Sam's with tax.

Discussion by Mayor Persiani: Old River Secretary, Carolyn Murphy, recommended this and feels like it works very well for them. The Mayor recommends that we move from the manual version to an electronic version of record keeping for the City from a financial perspective and wants Council to consider this software sometime within the next 2 years.

Motion: Walker      Seconded: Bercaw      Approved: 3-2  
Approved: Walker, Smith, Bercaw      Against: Standridge      Abstain: Clayton

**V. Review and act upon request for TXDOT to install permanent folding "Burn Ban" signs for activation by the Beach City Volunteer Fire Department.**

Jay Hammes, with the Beach City Volunteer Fire Department, attended the Council Meeting with written information on the Burn Ban signs. City must request and fund signs from TXDOT; 2 signs at 3 locations (total of 6 signs).

Mayor Persiani requested a motion for permanent signs installed on FM 2354 for public notice when a burn ban is in effect. The Mayor also requested approval with open end on cost. When the cost is known, he'll report back to Council for approval of actual cost. Jay states that the Volunteer Fire Department will be responsible for turning signs for display and the closing them when the Burn Ban is dismissed.

Motion: Walker      Seconded: Standridge      Approved: 5-0

**VI. Review Chambers County drainage improvement plans for the RWJ Subdivision.**

Mayor Persiani says Bill Wallace reports Chambers County will clean if interlocal agreement with city is approved.  
No action is required on this, only information item.

**VII. Review and act upon Proposed Building Permit Ordinance No. 2008-3.**

Nothing to report.

**VIII. Review and act upon Resolution No. 2008-2 adopting building permit fees.**

Nothing to report.

**IX. Review and act upon request to reschedule the December and January City Council meetings to avoid conflicts with the Christmas Holiday week and the WCCCC Awards Banquet.**

Council decided to leave the December 23, 2008 meeting as scheduled. The WCCCC Banquet is set for January 27, 2008, the night the Council meets.

Motion by Walker that the January meeting be moved up to January 20, 2008 instead of January 27, 2008.

Motion: Walker                      Seconded: Smith                      Approval: 5-0

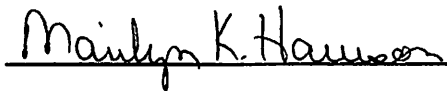
**X. Council Member Comments**

Marilyn K. Gainer-Harrison reported that Margaret Gainer is walking.

**IX. Adjourn**

Mayor Persiani adjourned the meeting at 8:45 P.M., Tues. November 25, 2008.

**ATTEST TO:**



Marilyn K. Harrison  
Secretary Temp

**APPROVED BY:**



Guido Persiani  
Mayor