

BEACH CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

The Beach City Council met for a Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 27th, 2007 at the Beach City Community Building. Those present were:

MAYOR: Guido Persiani

MAYOR PRO TEM: Rita Standridge

ALDERMAN: Ray Smith

Tommy Clayton

Vaughn Bercaw

Douglas Walker

CITY ATTORNEY: Daniel Jackson

CITY SECRETARY: Temporary – Ronda McLane

These minutes are transcribed from notes and tapes from the November 27th meeting by Margaret Gainer, City Secretary.

Mayor Persiani called the meeting to order at 7:16th, 2007 Tuesday November 27th, 2007. He introduced Rhonda McLane.

I. Review and consider approval of the Regular Meeting minutes of October 23, 2007.

Minutes reviewed prior to the meeting.

MOTION made to accept as presented.

MOTION: Standridge

SECONDED: Smith

APPROVED: 5 - 0

II. Review and consider approval of the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for 4 months ending October 31st, 2007.

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures reviewed prior to the meeting.

Mayor Persiani using a lap top computer showed the Statement on the wall and gave the report. He stated that year to date the Revenues over Expenses is \$1,916.41. Total assets are \$545,196.34.

MOTION made to approve the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for 4 months ending October 31st, 2007 as stated.

MOTION: Standridge

SECONDED: Walker

APPROVED: 5 - 0

The Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for October 31st, 2007 approved by Council on November 27th, 2007 is hereto and made a part of these minutes.

III. Review and authorize payment of the proposed expenditures and investments.

Council reviewed the proposed expenditures and investments prior to the meeting.

Mayor Persiani stated that the revised version shows \$8,248.37 as the expenditures.

MOTION made to approve the expenditures in the amount of \$8,248.37 as stated in the amended version.

MOTION: Walker

SECONDED: Bercaw

APPROVED: 5 - 0

MOTION: Walker

SECONDED: Bercaw

APPROVED: 5 – 0

The Expenditure Authorization approved by Council on November 27th, 2007 attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

IV. Review and act upon request for abandonment of Morrison Street Right-of-Way

Mr. Will Dyre came forward and introduced his wife Carrie and Mary Margaret Morrison. He said they were here seeking abandonment and sale. He had the petition that they had circulated and it failed. They are here asking for a full abandonment or a partial. They would be glad for what ever the City decides as far as the amount. He presented pictures and answered Council's questions. Alderman Smith said that last time that it was dedicated to the 34 properties and if it were to go up for title or later purchased it you would have to get signatures of everybody that was entitled to it. So who would you buy it from? City Attorney Jackson said the owners of the land still own it except it is dedicated to the public for its use. Another question for Council is, is it dedicated as a roadway, and could the City reclaim it and use it for public purposes. The other option was to narrow the right a way and sell the personal property to each owner. The Mayor said before this can go any further, we are at the moment when a motion be made and if no one makes a motion this subject is not addressed.

MOTION made to table this item indefinitely.

MOTION: Clayton

SECONDED: Bercaw

APPROVED: Clayton,
Standridge, Bercaw
ABSTAINED: Smith
Walker

V. Review and act upon request to mitigate public noise nuisance due to hunting adjacent to Walker Subdivision.

The person requesting this was not present. No action taken.

VI. Beach City Volunteer Fire Department Report.

Mayor Persiani said he had received the ISO draft. He then called upon Rusty Senac. Rusty said he was here speaking for Tracy Lippe, President of the BCVFD; he is ill tonight. He feels bad about it because since he became President one of the things he's committed to doing is attend Council meetings on a regular basis. A couple of other things he is working on. He is working on budgeting and implementing financial controls. They have had Board Elections. Tracy Lippe is a board member now along with Ken Mitchell and Gyneth Forbes. The remaining members are Jay Hammes and Rusty who will serve as Chairman. He announced that they have had a number of recent activities. Kids Safe in October was a great success. Santa on the Bay will be December 14th and 15th and also a blood drive will be Saturday December 22nd here at the Community Building. He went on to say if anyone wanted a copy of the financials, just let him know and he would get them a copy of the most recent report. He ended by saying he would be remised if He didn't tell them that they do need members. Jay Hammes gave the ISO report. She said it actually takes about nine months to have the approval. It should take effect in January and it will take another month being processed at the Insurance Company. When they get the letter they will send it out and the people should contact their insurance company. Class 8B will include everyone in a 5 mile radius of the Fire House for a \$50.00 credit on their insurance. North this is just past Bayridge Subdivision. Ms. Hammes said according to the ISO report the department needs another tanker, when needed now they call our mutual

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aid, usually Old River. They just don't have enough water. They are working on all of the fire trucks to bring them up to the maximum credit in the schedule as well all of the performance needed to receive full credit for the specific items in the Schedule. Mayor Persiani thanked them for the report.

VII. Set date for December Regular Council Meeting.

After discussion:

MOTION made to hold the December Council Meeting on December 18th, 2007 at 7:00 P.M.

MOTION: Walker

SECONDED: Smith

APPROVED: 4 - 0
ABSTAINED - Standridge

VIII. Review and act upon proposal for City Web Site.

Mayor Persiani advised Council that he had talked to a Web Designer. The Navigation District uses him so we might be able to check his service out. Mayor Guido said he was very comfortable with the proposal with would cost somewhere between \$500.00 and \$1,000.00 Dollars depending what you are looking at. Another thought he had was to go to the High School, and he does have a contact there, where the student as a project sets up a web site. No action taken.

IX. Review and act upon nominees for West Chambers County Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the year nomination and reschedule January meeting.

Mayor Persiani said this event occurs the same day as our January 22nd 2008 meeting. Normally we have moved it up an hour.

MOTION made to move the Council Meeting up a full week at the regular time.

MOTION: Walker

SECONDED: Clayton

APPROVED: 5 - 0

The meeting will be held on January 15, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. The Secretary will check for the availability of the building.

Mayor Persiani explained the process and named some of the past recipients of the Citizen of the year award. After discussion the Gainers were chosen as one choice with the December meeting for Council to come up with any other choices they might have.

X. Nuisance Mitigation

A. Review current environmental complaints

Mayor Persiani stated that the system for the Jordan property on Clark Lane has been designed but has not been installed yet. He also reported that he is holding off on the Troxell's on Lennie Lane until John Shrader investigates the potential OSSF conflict of interest. The Mayor had also asked him to investigate 14727 Stablebrook where a swimming pool had been installed. He sent him all of the information that we have on file.

XI. Review and act upon Building Permit Ord. No. 2007-4.

No action taken on this item.

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XII. Review and act upon Financial Audit for Period covering July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

Tabled for updates by Mayor for the next meeting.

XIII. Report status of items on the FY 07/08 action list.

Nothing to report.

XIV. Council members' comments, citizens' comments and input.

Mayor Guido talked to Stuart Corder, TxDot and he said there was an awful lot of traffic tying up at highway 146 and highway 99. A traffic study shows that a light is needed there. Mr. Corder said the decision is up to the City of Baytown. Mayor Guido also reported that he went to a CLCND meeting and said a Board Meeting on the West side would not attract attendees. They asked what were some of the suggestions that the City of Beach would contribute to their action, what would we want them to do? Mayor Guido said wouldn't it be nice to have a boat launch somewhere along the deep water of Cedar Bayou.

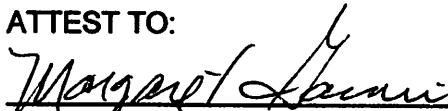
Alderman Bercaw reported on the Air Park drainage. He stated that he had written a letter to the President of the Homeowners Assn. and he talked to him. He said he would be glad to give the County to that area so they could clean it up. It won't hold water for a long time after a rain. The Association does not have the equipment to mow that ditch, they need a tractor with an extension on it, but it's doable. Mayor Persiani said he would talk to Commissioner Wallace again.

Alderman Smith said this is strictly his opinion about parks in Beach City. If we were to have parks in Beach City we would have clean up and maintenance on them which would be a City expense. We'd have outsiders, more traffic and more crime in our City. So he's not in favor of creating parks. However this town is comprised mostly of a waterfront community. He went on to say that we talked earlier about a boat ramp at a particular location. The County has put in boat ramps but we don't have that kind of acreage over here in this spot that we talked about earlier. There is no place to park. He wouldn't want that to be next door to him. That little spot that was being discussed before would be a good possibility place for consideration for a City Hall.

XV. Adjourn

Mayor Persiani adjourned the meeting on November 27th, 2007 at 9:47 P.M.

ATTEST TO:



Ronda McLean
Temporary – City Secretary

APPROVED BY:



Guido Persiani