

BEACH CITY COUNCIL
WORK SHOP & REGULAR MEETING

The Beach City Council met for a Regular Meeting and Work Shop on Tuesday, October 25, 2011 at the Beach City Community Building. Those present were:

MAYOR: Billy Combs
MAYOR PRO TEM: Jackey Lasater
ALDERMEN: Douglas Walker Vaughn Bercaw Paul Newman Ray Smith-absent
CITY ATTORNEY: Daniel Jackson
CITY SECRETARY: Margaret Gainer ASSIST.SECRETARY: Marilyn K. Harrison

Mayor Combs called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M. Tuesday October 25, 2011. The Mayor then led a prayer and asked Alderman Walker to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

I. Workshop for consideration of purchasing real estate for future city use.

Mayor Combs moved this item to the end of the meeting.

Mayor and Council discussed the possibility of purchasing real estate for future city use.

No Action Taken.

II. Citizens Comments.

No Citizens Comments.

III. Review and consider approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting on September 27th 2011.

Minutes were reviewed before the meeting by Council.

MOTION made to accept the Minutes as written.

MOTION: Walker SECONDED: Lasater APPROVED: 4-0

IV. Financial Consent Agenda;

A. Review and approve of the Financial Statements for month ending September 30th, 2011

B. Receive and review Investment rate/security update.

C. Review and approve Revenues and Expenditures for current Month.

Mayor Combs pointed out the check for the Chambers Recovery Team for \$2,000.000 was approved by Council for one year seed funding. Alderman Walker requested we just send Chambers Recovery Team \$1,000.00 now and the balance at a later date. Alderman Walker also said he would like to have the Recovery Team come back with updates to the Council.

MOTION made to accept this change on the Expenditures.

MOTION: Walker SECONDED: Newman APPROVED: 4-0

V. Consider and possible action on moving the city election date from May to the November uniform election date.

After discussion with the Mayor and Council, Mayor Combs will check with Chambers County and Barbers Hill ISD to see what they think about changing the City's Election date. The Mayor said this will be on our next Agenda.

VI. Update and possible action on survey of Beach City Residents.

Mayor Combs went over the results of the survey that the City had received back in the office. The Mayor also said we would bring this back in front of Council to see what we need to work on.

VII. Update and possible action on HGAC funds for the city.

Mayor Combs had an e-mail from Ryan Holzaepfel, the Chambers County Emergency Management Coordinator, letting the City of Beach City know that The State of Texas has allocated \$391,793.00 from Hurricane Ike for disaster recovery funds. The Mayor told the Council that the City has recovered from this hurricane and would like to leave this money with the County for the Drainage Projects in Beach City. The City has 3 drainage projects going now, RWJ Airport, McCollum Park Rd. and Bay Ridge Subdivision. The Council agreed that we should not spend the money just because it is there.

VIII. Executive Session Authorized by Chapter 551, Texas Government code, Section 551.071, concerning the legal action in the city's efforts to overturn the actions of TCEQ in the T&I Taylor rate case.

No Executive Session.

IX. Update and possible action on T&I Taylor / TCEQ Case.

Mayor Combs reported that he had sent an e-mail to Attorney Rodriguez for an update, but had not heard back from the law office at this time.

X. Council Updates; From the Mayor and County Commissioner.

Commissioner Senac was unable to attend this meeting.

Mayor Combs told the Council that on November 11, 2011 the City will be hosting the Collation of Mayors, Mayors luncheon. The luncheon will be held here at the Beach City Community Building and Alderman Smith has offered to cook the meal. The Mayor asked Mayor Pro Tem Lasater if he would like to attend this luncheon and workshop. For the workshop, the Mayor has invited Colonel Lynn Waterworth whom is the Chief Consulting Engineer for the Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District. Colonel Waterworth is retired from the Army Corp of Engineers.

XI. Council Member Comments.

Alderman Walker is on the Board of the Coastal Water Authority which pumps 70% of the water to The City of Houston for treatment and drinking water. Because so much water is being used, the Coastal Water Authority is going to get a 3 yr. contract from the Electrical Services for 5 cents a kwh. Alderman Walker was telling the Council this because when you set your contract rates up in April or October you will get a better rate.

Alderman Newman said that he had made his reservations for the H-GAC General Assembly Meeting which will be held on Nov.3, 2011. Mayor Combs let Alderman Newman know that he needs to take his TML newly elected official training course. Alderman Newman said he would set up the training course.

XII. Adjourn

Mayor Combs adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:40 P.M. on Tuesday, October 25, 2011.

Mayor Combs reconvened the meeting at 7:50 P.M. for a Workshop for consideration of purchasing real estate for future City use.

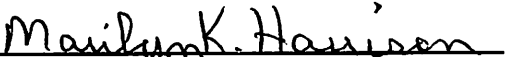
MOTION made to adjourn the Workshop at 8:30 P.M. on Tuesday, October 25, 2011.

MOTION: Newman

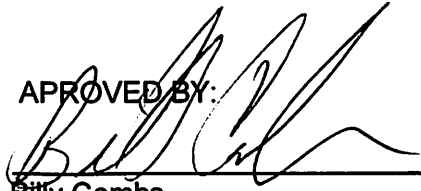
SECONDED: Lasater

APPROVED: 4-0

ATTEST TO:


Marilyn K. Harrison
Assist. Secretary

APPROVED BY:


Billy Combs
Mayor