

# City of Beach City

COUNTY OF CHAMBERS  
STATE OF TEXAS

## City Council Regular Called Meeting

The City Council of the City of Beach City, Texas met in a **Regular Called Meeting** on **August 24, 2021** at the Beach City Community Building, 12723 FM 2354 Beach City, TX. 77523

**Members Present:** Mayor Ryan Dagley, Alderman Paul Newman, Alderman Ray Smith, Alderman Doug Walker and Alderman Ken Pantin

**Absent:** Mayor Pro Tem Dana Colquitt

**Staff Present:** City Secretary Evonne Donnelly and Assistant Secretary Deanna Wallace

**Legal Counsel Present:** City Attorney Daniel Jackson

### 1. Call to order and announcement of quorum

On Tuesday, August 24, 2021 Mayor Dagley called the Regular Called Council Meeting to order at 6:11 P.M.

### 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary Donnelly offered prayer and Alderman Newman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

### 3. Public Comments (Limited to three minutes per person)

None

### 4. Hear report and update from Pct. 4 Chambers County Commissioner, Billy Combs

No report

### 5. Hear report and update from Beach City Volunteer Fire Department (BCVFD)

LifeLight came to the BCVFD to train the volunteers in setting up for a landing zone (LZ). Cove and Mont Belvieu VFD/FD were in attendance as well.  
Chief McDonald would like to be on the September agenda to address Council about pensions.

### 6. Approve Minutes for Regular Meeting of July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Minutes were not available for review.

### 7. Financial Consent Agenda *(All financial consent agenda items are considered routine by Council and will be enacted by one motion. A Councilmember may request an item to be removed and considered separately.)*

- (a) Review and approve the Financial Statement(s) for the previous month
- (b) Review and approve Investment Update

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- (c) Review and approve Expenditures for the current month
- (d) Review and approve Weekly Review of Accounts

**Motion to approve the financials**

**Motion:** Walker

**Second:** Newman

**Approved:** 4-0

**8. Discussion and possible action on CD #015 maturing on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021**

Quoted rate from Capital Bank for a twelve month CD is .30%. They are not able to increase the rate at this time. Currently, the TexasTerm rate is .10%.

Mayor Dagley recommends locking in at the .30% for twelve months.

**Motion to go with Capital Bank at the .30%**

**Motion:** Walker

**Second:** Pantin

**Approved:** 4-0

**9. Discuss and consider adopting an Interlocal Agreement with Chambers County for Mutual Aid**

This agreement is not ready for renewal

**10. Discuss and consider adopting an Interlocal Agreement with Chambers County for Emergency Management**

This agreement is not ready for renewal

**11. Consider and approve an Order of Cancellation for the November 02, 2021 City Election, in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code: due to lack of opposition for positions and issues for referendum**

**Motion of certification of unopposed candidates**

**Motion:** Smith

**Second:** Walker

**Approved:** 4-0

**Motion to approve an Order of Cancellation for the November 02, 2021 City Election, in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code: due to lack of opposition for positions and issues for referendum**

**Motion:** Smith

**Second:** Pantin

**Approved:** 4-0

**12. Discussion and possible action regarding a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a Grant Management Company to assist the City with the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF)**

Mayor Dagley reviewed with Council the grant money available to all cities under 50,000 in population. Beach City qualifies for approximately \$148,000. A decision was made to complete the paperwork and approve these funds. Currently, 50% of these funds (\$72,708.33) have been deposited into the city's general fund account. The remaining 50% will be deposited one year after the first deposit was made. The City will have two years to designate the funds and four years to use the funds. If this money is not used or not used for approved projects, then it will be returned.

Mayor Dagley spoke with several people who oversee grant funds and he was advised to accept the funds. The City would then need to hire a grant management company to assist with the approval of a future project. All costs associated with a grant management company can be used from the CLFRF money. The City would only be out the costs of the legal notice(s) for the RFP, etc.

Patrick Wiltshire of Public Management Company was referred by another entity and recently met with Mayor Dagley and Secretary Donnelly to answer basic questions and offer guidance regarding this

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process. Mr. Wiltshire also mentioned a grant for infrastructure projects comes out every two years from the State of Texas and the City could benefit from this grant. Council discussed various options available for the CLFRF funds that could be approved.

**Motion to approve a Request for Proposal for a Grant Management Company to assist the City with the American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund**

**Motion: Newman**

**Second: Smith**

**Approved: 4-0**

## **13. Discussion and possible action regarding Kingwood Exploration's Pipeline application**

Kingwood Exploration applied for a natural gas pipeline located at the FM 2354/NRG Canal area. The pipeline product as presented on the application was denied by the City's engineering Firm, RPS Group. The CEO of Kingwood Pipeline, Robert Braswell, called Mayor Dagley regarding this matter. Mayor Dagley asked Mr. Braswell to speak with our engineer, Mike McClung, to resolve this issue. Recently, Kingwood Pipeline decided to change the product they are going to use and the new pipe has been approved by RPS Group.

## **14. Discussion and possible action to amend Ordinance 2017-06 Regulating Off Premises Signs**

The committee consisting of Alderman Walker and Alderman Pantin gave their report to Council. Alderman Pantin researched other city's requirements for NITS and LUMENS. After a discussion amongst Council regarding the various NIT lighting guidelines and other requirements, a motion was made.

**Motion to approve the ordinance to amend 2017-06 Regulating Off Premises Signs**

**Motion: Newman**

**Second: Walker**

**Approved: 4-0**

## **15. Discussion and possible action to amend Ordinance 2014-06 Establishing Permit Requirements**

Alderman Newman and Alderman Pantin presented Council their recommendations.

**Motion to approve amendments to Ordinance 2014-06 Establishing Permit Requirements with discussions talked about previously here regarding changes to a various extension in Section 4**

**Motion: Newman**

**Second: Pantin**

**Approved: 4-0**

## **16. Discussion and possible action to amend Resolution 2019-01 to incorporate revised or new permitting fees**

Alderman Newman noted that the ordinance in the previous line item mentions that fees will be doubled. Now this resolution will align these two items.

**Motion to amend Resolution 2019-01 to incorporate new revised or new permitting fees**

**Motion: Newman**

**Second: Walker**

**Approved: 4-0**

## **17. Discussion and possible action to add a security light at Oaks at Houston Point Subdivision area**

Alderman Walker noted if Bay Place and North Point pay for their own streetlights, why can't Oaks at Houston Point pay for their own streetlight? After a lengthy discussion by Council, a motion was made.

**Motion to add a security light at Oaks at Houston Point Subdivision**

**Motion: Newman**

**Second: Smith**

**Approved: 3-1**

**Against: Walker**

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Discussion: Alderman Smith suggested that an agenda item be added to consider the other two subdivisions, North Point and Bay Place because of precedence set, so we can be uniform across the city. Mayor Dagley asked Alderman Walker if there are any other lights in Bay Place. Alderman Walker stated there are no lights within the subdivision.

**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** City Council will hold a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provision of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. *Items for executive session may include, but are not limited to, applicable sections under Texas Government Code*

- a). Consultation with attorney – Section 551.071
- b). Employee matters – Section 551.074

Recess: 7:41 P.M.

Reconvene: 7:59 P.M.

**19. Discussion and possible action regarding Employee Matters**

No action

**20. Update and discussion on non-compliance to City ordinances regarding On-Site Sewage Facilities (OSSF's)**

No report

**21. Report and update from the Mayor**

a). Mayor Dagley and Attorney Jackson participated in a meeting with Chambers County Judge Sylvia and other area entities. This meeting reviewed implementing zoning, costs associated with this and interlocal agreements with the ISD and County.

b). A development company considered purchasing the 14 acres on McCollum Park RD., adjacent to McCollum Park, to create a new RV Park. According to Commissioner Combs, there are non-jurisdictional wetlands on this property. After speaking with Mayor Dagley, the company has decided to not purchase this land.

**22. Council Comments**

Alderman Newman is all for comprehensive zoning if it could manage and prevent the issue that was most recently dealt with by Council and the City, the dredge material being brought in from the San Jacinto River waste area. Also, the typically monthly comment from Alderman Newman, teaching Beach City residents what the red, octagonal stop sign means. Alderman Newman is referring to driving from the south end of FM 2354, heading northbound on FM 2354.

Alderman Smith concurred with Alderman Newman.

Alderman Pantin warns about traveling 45 mph on FM 2354 and people passing him in the turn lane.

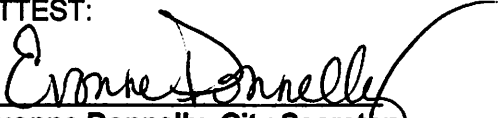
**23. Adjourn meeting at 8:22 P.M.**

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**Minutes Approved: September 28, 2021**

  
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**Ryan Dagley, Mayor**

ATTEST:

  
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**Evonne Donnelly, City Secretary**