

City of Beach City

COUNTY OF CHAMBERS
STATE OF TEXAS

City Council Regular Called Meeting Minutes

The City Council of the City of Beach City, Texas met in a **Regular Called Session** on **May 25, 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, Alderman Ken Pantin and Mayor Pro Tem Dana Colquitt

Members leaving early: Mayor Pro Tem Colquitt left at 6:40 P.M. due to a family emergency

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, May 25, 2021 Mayor Dagley called the Regular Called Council meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

Former Mayor Jackey Lasater read the minutes from a previous meeting where Mayor Dagley noted in his comments to Council that he would like to purchase land in case it is needed for a City Hall one day. During Mr. Lasater's term as Mayor, he had a meeting with John Kline of Trans Global Solutions (TGS) to discuss assistance adding a fire hydrant for the BCVFD and acquiring property along the greenbelt. A discussion arose regarding the five acres TGS owns next to the BCVFD. Mr. Kline mentioned that donating the five acres would be more doable than a greenbelt purchase.

Former Mayor Lasater noted that Baytown should agree to a de-annexation of this five acre property. The five acres would also be great for basketball courts, a city park, a fishing pond for the kids, something for families to do together with their children.

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

TGS has agreed to strategically place dry hydrants on FM 2354. This would allot for a dry hydrant to be added no more than two miles apart on the TGS property, covering all of Beach City, on FM 2354. Water wells added would keep the ponds wet. Currently, the plan is to add two dry hydrants on McCollum Park Road; one dry hydrant on Lawrence Road and one by Oaks at Houston Point.

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

A couple of new volunteers were recently voted in.
Repairs on Engine 81 have been completed, minus the tank issue.
The Poker Run is scheduled for July 17th, 2021.

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6. Approve Minutes for Regular Called Meeting of April 27th, 2021

Motion to approve minutes of the Regular Called Meeting of April 27, 2021

Motion: Newman

Second: Colquitt

Approved: 5-0

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

Motion to approve

Motion: Colquitt

Second: Newman

Approved: 5-0

Discussion: Alderman Walker questioned the timing of the Telecommunications Franchise Fee since it is below where it should be. It is currently at 73.42% and it should be at 83.33%. Secretary Donnelly responded, two deposits just came in, one from Comcast and one from Frontier. This will show on next month's Budget vs. Actual report.

Alderman Pantin asked about the penalty fee being 150% over budget. Secretary Donnelly explained that more people being caught building without a permit this FY. For example, when a resident calls for permanent power to a building that has not been permitted for, or someone wants a driveway expansion and there is a new building onsite without a permit, this is when they are charged the penalty fee.

8. Consider and approve a Resolution Establishing the Baytown Sun as the Official Newspaper for the City of Beach City, per Section 52.004 of the Local Government Code

Motion to approve

Motion: Smith

Second: Walker

Approved: 5-0

9. Discuss and consider changing the speed limit on Lakeview Drive in RWJ Subdivision from 35 mph to 30 mph

Mayor Dagley recently sat in on the RWJ Subdivision Homeowners Association (HOA) meeting. One of the residents mentioned that the speed limit on Lakeview Drive is posted at 35 miles per hour (mph) and the rest of RWJ is posted at 30 mph. Mayor Dagley was asked if the City could change the speed limit on Lakeview to match the other streets posted at 30 mph.

Motion to approve

Motion: Walker

Second: Colquitt

Approved: 5-0

10. 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). Deliberation regarding Real Property – Section 551.072

Adjourn Regular Called Meeting at 6:26 P.M. for Executive Session

Reconvene Regular Called Meeting at 7:25 P.M.

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NOTE: Mayor Pro Tem Colquitt had to leave Executive Session at 6:40 P.M. due to a family emergency. A quorum remains present.

11. Discussion and possible action of the City's land within the area of concern inside Walker Parkview Subdivision to determine the obstructions that may be contained within City owned property. This is supported by the recently obtained boundary survey

Per the line item, Mayor Dagley asked Council if there is any discussion or possible action on how they want to handle these issues.

Motion to address the City's Rights-of-Way in the Walker Parkview Subdivision based on the recent staking of the Right-of-Way and further consideration of information obtained, I recommend no further action be taken regarding the fences across the Rights-of-Way or any other impediments

Motion: Newman

Second: Pantin

Approved: 4-0

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

No report

13. Report and update from the Mayor

Last week the first 2021 Beach City Planning Committee meeting was held. The meeting lasted two hours. There should be a meeting in June to discuss long-term goals.

Mayor Dagley addressed former Mayor Lasater's citizens comments regarding negotiating with TGS and he assured the former Mayor that talks are consistently ongoing.

The City's new and improved website has gone live. Thanks to Jackey Lasater for all the years of maintaining the previous website.

14. Council Comments

Alderman Pantin discussed looking into a scrolling marquee sign in front of City Hall noting the Council meetings and other items that could be posted. Alderman Newman added this may go against the City's current Sign Ordinance.

15. Adjourn meeting at 7:36 P.M.

Minutes Approved: June 22, 2021



Ryan Dagley, Mayor

ATTEST:



Evonne Donnelly, City Secretary