# City of Beach City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

The Beach City Council met for a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at the Beach City Community Building 12723 FM 2354 Beach City, TX. 77523

Members Present: Mayor Billy Combs (presiding), Mayor Pro Tem Jackey Lasater, Alderman Doug Walker, Alderman Ray Smith, Alderman Paul Newman, and Alderman Dana Colquitt

**Staff Present:** City Secretary Evonne Donnelly, Assistant Secretary Marge Bercaw and City Attorney Daniel Jackson

#### 1. Call to order

Mayor Combs called the meeting to order Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:04 pm.

#### 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Combs offered prayer.

Alderman Lasater led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

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

Alderman Smith thanked everyone involved with the dedication of the Fallen Heroes Memorial.

#### 4. Hear report and update from Chambers County Commissioner, Rusty Senac

Commissioner Senac applauded the City for the first class dedication to the Fallen Heroes Memorial (FHM) on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Combs thanked the County for allowing the City to develop the FHM with the County's blessing.

Commissioner Senac would like to put to rest the rumor that seems to be going around the County; that County Seat is moving from Anahuac to the West Side of Chambers County. This is a rumor and it is not true.

During heavy rains, there continues to be drainage issues at RWJ Airpark and Bayridge Subdivision.

# 5. Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of April 28th, 2015

Motion to approve the minutes (with the correction noted below from Alderman Newman).

Motion: Newman

Second: Walker

Approved: 5-0

**Discussion:** Alderman Newman suggested a correction to Item 6, changing the word 'and' to "an". Alderman Lasater inquired about the interest to one of the newer CD's opened in February. This CD draws interest quarterly and the interest posted in May will show on June's Investment Update.

- **6. Financial Consent Agenda** (All financial consent agenda items are considered routine by Council and will be enacted by one motion. A Council member may request an item to be removed and considered separately.)
  - (a) Review and approve the Financial Statements for previous month
  - (b) Review and approve Investment Update
  - (c) Review and approve Expenditures for the current month

Motion to approve the Financials.

Motion: Walker

Second: Lasater

Approved: 5-0

**Discussion:** Alderman Newman asked questions regarding surplus funds, etc, some of these

questions will be discussed at the budget workshop.

Mayor Combs called for a five minute recess: 6:33 pm

Reconvene: 6:41 pm

# 7. Annual review and possible update of the City's Investment Policy

Mayor and Council conducted an annual review of the City's Investment Policy. No changes were made at this time.

#### 8. Presentation of Resolution in memory of Mayor Jim Standridge

Mayor Combs read aloud Resolution of Honor 2015-10 in memory of former Mayor Jim Standridge and presented a plaque to Rita Standridge.

# 9. Hear presentation for Bridgehaven Children's Advocacy Center

Paula Sanchez spoke to Council on the services provided by Bridgehaven Children's Advocacy Center (CAC). When Council holds its annual budget workshop, they will see what funds could be set aside for a possible contract with Bridgehaven CAC.

#### 10. Set time and date for Budget Workshop, Fiscal Year 2015-2016

Council agreed to schedule the budget workshop for Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

## 11. Discuss and consider 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of Beach City's Incorporation

Alderman Colquitt spoke to Council on the ideas for a possible celebration next year commemorating Beach City' fifty years in existence. Suggestions are as follows:

host a Founder's Day type celebration; set up a table with pictures that reflect the City's history; creating a photo calendar to sell and any profits could be deposited into the FHM account; having vendors set up on the premises. A proposed budget of \$1,500.00 was given for Council to consider at the upcoming budget workshop.

# 12. Revise Interlocal Agreement with Chambers County for OSSF and Building Permit Fee(s) as necessary

Motion to accept the Interlocal OSSF agreement with noted changes

Motion: Newman

Second: Walker

Approved: 5-0

### 13. Update and possible action on TX-DOT's plans for local road improvements

Mayor Combs updated Council on the meeting he and Alderman Walker had last week with Omar de Leon from TXDOT to discuss the upcoming road projects.

### 14. Update on legal action for non compliance to City's ordinances

Summonses are to be mailed out this week for the three heirs of the Ocean Drive property.

# 15. Update discussion and possible action on the Fallen Heroes Memorial (FHM) Fund

Mayor Combs questioned whether or not the City should move the FHM remaining funds into a totally separate account on QuickBooks and make it a liability account. The Mayor will contact Claudia Johnston Tax & Bookkeeping to gather advise on this matter.

#### 16. Report and update from Mayor Combs

Mayor Combs

#### 17. Council Comments

None

#### 18. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:02 pm

Motion: Newman

Second: Lasater

Approved: 5-0

Approved: June 23, 2015

Billy Combs, Mayor

Attest: 🔎

Evonne Donnelly, City Secretary