



Meeting Minutes City Council

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Tuesday, January 17, 2017

7:00 pm

Clubhouse - 931 Cedar

Present: Mayor Vern Johnson, Councilwoman Jan Bailey, Councilman Bud Solmonsson, Councilwoman Diana Hoerner, Councilwoman Amanda Fenwick, City Administrator George Jones, City Secretary Christy Stroup, Bldg. Official Kevin Harrell, Asst. Chief David Donaldson

1. CALL TO ORDER & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Mayor Vern Johnson called meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE TEXAS FLAG

Mayor Vern Johnson lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the Texas Flag

3. PUBLIC HEARING:

a) Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance: Proposed marine mixed use district

George Jones stated that we did not have a final draft on the ordinance from the attorney so we did not need to proceed with public hearing on this item.

b) 24 Tindel: Violation of the Clear Lake Shores Ordinance Sec. 78-16 (junk vehicles)

Building Official Kevin Harrell stated that the vehicle has been removed and this item can be removed.

c) 914 Hawthorne: Violation of the Clear Lake Shores Ordinance Sec 78-16 (junk vehicles)

Building Official Kevin Harrell car is out of registration, flat tires and has not moved in over 6 months and according to the city ordinance is in violation of Section 78-16 referring to junk vehicles.

PUBLIC HEARING CONCLUDED AT 7:07 PM

4. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL:

Councilwoman Bailey - No report

Councilwoman Fenwick - Congratulated the Michaelski's on their new grandbaby.

Councilman Solmonsson - No report

Councilwoman Hoerner - No report

Mayor - No report

5. STAFF REPORTS:

City Administrator George Jones: Election filing is January 18th thru February 17th; Public Works has been working on the West end of Tindel cleaning out drainage pipe; street work is about completed and they are laying sod - walkthrough with the contractor and engineer scheduled for January 25th; move to the island is completed.

Asst. Chief Donaldson: No report

Building Official Kevin Harrell: reported his monthly stats thru January 17th.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Roads and Drainage: Richard Sowrey reported that they are meeting next week and will start review on their 5 year plan as far as what streets will be replaced/repared.

Planning and Zoning: No report

Economic Development Corporation: Ronnie Richards reported that Okie's Yardhouse open house is set for January 29th; next EDC meeting is set for Thursday, Feb. 16th instead of Tuesday, Feb. 14th; Sidewalk project to run along FM 2094 up to Joe Lee's is still in the works; additional parking at Aspen's is being addressed; Starfleet Hotel project is still progressing.

Waterfront Compliance Committee: No report

Parks and Pool Committee: Chris Richardson stated that the members worked hard to put the Christmas decorations.

Landscape and Beautification Committee: No report

Civic Club: No report

7. UNSCHEDULED VISITORS:

Allan Batchelor reported that Mancake will be Saturday, February 11th.

Patrick Michaelski presented images of Veteran's Memorials that he thought may be a good fit for Clear Lake Shores.

8. OLD BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA from council meeting held January 3, 2017:

- a. **Check Register: December 1st thru December 18th, 2016**
- b. **Minutes from Regular Meeting held December 6, 2016**

Councilwoman Bailey made motion to approve items a & b
Councilman Solmonsson second motion

Councilwoman Fenwick abstained

MOTION PASSED

9. NEW BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. **Check Register: December 29, 2016 thru January 11, 2017**
- b. **Minutes from regular meeting held November 1, 2016 (s/be 01/03/17)**

Councilwoman Fenwick made motion to accept a & b
Councilwoman Hoerner second the motion

Councilwoman Bailey abstained

MOTION PASSED

10. COUNCIL BUSINESS - Discussion and possible action may be taken on the following items:

- a. **Accept resignation from Mayor Pro-Tem Al Burns.**

Councilwoman Bailey made motion to approve purchase as stated
Councilman Solmonsson second the motion

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUS

- b. **Appoint a Councilmember to fill the vacancy left by Al Burns Resignation**

Councilwoman Fenwick made motion to appoint Mike McNamara to fill the Council vacancy
Councilwoman Bailey second motion

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUS

- c. **Mayor Johnson recommendation for Mayor Pro-Tem which was vacated by the resignation of Al Burns.**

Mayor Johnson recommended Councilwoman Amanda Fenwick to be the newly appointed Mayor Pro-Tem.

Councilwoman Bailey made motion to appoint as written
Councilwoman Hoerner second motion

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUS

- d. **Recommendation from Council concerning amendment to the Zoning Ordinance; Proposed marine mixed use district.**

Ordinance not ready to present and approve

NO ACTION TAKEN

- e. **Recommendation from Council concerning 24 Tindel violation of Clear Lake Shores Ordinance Sec 78-16 (junk vehicles)**

NO ACTION TAKEN

f. Recommendation from Council concerning 914 Hawthorne violation of Clear Lake Shores Ordinance Sec 78-16 (junk vehicles)

Bldg. Official Kevin Harrell recommended to City Council to have the vehicle removed and impounded. According to what he has researched the impound yard would notify the owner and expenses would incur on the vehicle owner.

Councilwoman Fenwick made motion to have vehicle removed as recommended by Kevin Harrell.

Councilwoman Bailey second motion

Discussion:

Per Kevin Harrell the owner of the vehicle and the tenant were given notification to remedy the defect in 5 days or the city would take action. No response from the violator has been made with the City offices.

Mayor Pro-Tem Fenwick asked about the costs involved in towing the vehicle.

George Jones stated that the vehicle owner would be responsible for paying the fees to the towing company and impound yard.

Kevin Harrell stated that if the vehicle is not claimed and the yard has to scrap the vehicle then the City will recoup the earnings from the scrap sale.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUS

g. Propose and approve planting of 3-4 trees (natural/indigenous trees) on each of the three islands located in Jarboe Bayou across from the Clubhouse.

Councilman Solmonsson would like to place 3 trees on the island located in the bayou directly across from the Clubhouse and 1 tree on the island in the middle of the bayou. The pricing that he has found at Home Depot is approximately \$30.00 a tree not including the planting and fertilization.

Mayor Johnson stated that before this brought to City Council he needs to have the total amount for the project before Council can make a decision.

After several comments it was concluded that **Councilman Solmonsson** would need to first go through the Parks and Pool Committee with his suggestions and once they have an agreement on the location and trees and final costs this could be brought back to Council.

Councilwoman Bailey motioned for **Councilman Solmonsson** to meet with Parks Committee and LBAC to investigate what types of trees should be planted.

Item postponed until February 21, 2017 Council meeting.

All in Favor

h. Propose and approve the implementation and development of a pavilion/pergola/gazebo in city parks.

Councilman Solmonsson stated that he would like a couple of more pavilions or gazebos placed in the parks around the island.

It was stated that he would need to get with Parks committee and LBAC to go over where they were going to be placed, type of structure and cost of structure.

Item postponed until Parks Committee has time to review

- i. Propose and approve installation of a Veterans' Memorial Site on the island.

Councilman Solmonsson submitted a couple of ideas along with pricing for Council to consider.

Council wanted to postpone until Parks Committee has time review.

- j. Consider construction of a protective berm with a lighted area and bench in Jarboe Park.

No Motion - Item dies

- 11. a. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel matters; to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee: City Administrator George Jones.

ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:55 PM

RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:37 PM

- b. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel matters; to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee: City Administrator George Jones.

Mayor Pro-Tem Fenwick made motion to approve 3% increase in salary and an additional one week vacation for City Administrator George Jones

8. Adjournment: 8:38 pm

2/7/17
Date Approved
Vern Johnson
Mayor Vern Johnson
Attest: *Christy Stroup*
Christy Stroup, City Secretary

