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Tommy Martin, Mayor
Fred Butler, Mayor Pro-Tem
Hank Gath, Councilmember
Dan Gower, Councilmember
Mike Byrd, Councilmember
Ralph Turner, Councilmember

Stated Council Meeting Minutes

A stated meeting of the above-named council was held on February 16, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. at the Civic Center, 124 Sunrise Drive, Sunrise Beach Village, Texas 78643-9283.

1. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum.

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. declaring that a quorum was present. Council members present were Fred Butler, Hank Gath, Dan Gower and Ralph Turner. Councilmember Mike Byrd was not in attendance. There were thirty-seven (37) audience attendees present. Also in attendance were City Secretary Linda Wendling and Police Sargent Ronny Bowman.

2. Discussion and possible action on Phoenix Awards given by the Volunteer Fire Department.

Mayor Martin introduced this item by providing the floor to Councilmember Butler. Councilmember Butler addressed the meeting members and guests by outlining the extraordinary life-saving efforts that our Emergency Departments and First Responders recently provided for a local resident, which included CPR and rescue helicopter services. Councilmember Butler stated that there is no higher honor than receiving an award for saving a life. Mayor Martin and Commissioner Jones presented the Phoenix Awards to Dan Gower, Bill Long, Scott Olguin, Ruben Saucedo and Fire Chief Stephen Grove. Kristy Knapp [Operations Manager] accepted the awards for the medic crew that responded.

Mayor Martin gave slight pause for those attendees that wished to leave after the award presentation was concluded.

3. Citizens to be heard.

- Commissioner Jones stated his appreciation to the Phoenix Award winning individuals and congratulations to their families. Commissioner Jones addressed the meeting members and guests regarding the upcoming May election and possible future election procedure changes. If the proposed change is approved, then we may have election day voting on election day at any early voting election station. This may reduce our voting stations. Currently we have nine (9) voting stations; however, if the proposed change is successful it could be reduced to six (6) or five (5) voting stations. Commissioner Jones also spoke in relation to double voting issues, dates for secure systems to be implemented, application to the Secretary of State and that Lampasas County is implementing this change in voting stations.

- Resident/Planning & Zoning Chairman, Cindy Daly, had two (2) comments; however, she stated she will wait for that agenda item before discussing.

4. Consent Items:

- a. Minutes of the Stated Meeting of January 19th, 2017; and,
- b. Financial Reports for the month of January 2017; and,
- c. Ad Valorem Tax Collection Report for the month of January, 2017.

(Attachment A through C) Mayor Martin introduced the consent items by providing review of each bulleted item. Council and audience discussion ensued. Councilmember Gower moved to accept the consent items as presented. Councilmember Gath seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

5. Discussion and possible action on recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission to approve a variance of Ordinance 177, for a long access drive in lieu of a street; Unit 2A, Lot 119 and Island Lot 119A. (Attachment D)

Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Chairman Cindy Daly addressed the meeting members and guests and provided updated information in relation to the P&Z's recent meetings and proposals that were presented to the Committee. Chairman Daly recommended to the Council that the city allow Mr. Lunecki to have a long access drive to their property instead of a city street. Ms. Daly further referred to Attachment D and provided explanation. There was one inquiry from the audience and Ms. Daly responded to the question as posed. There was no Council discussion. Councilmember Butler moved to approve the recommendation as stated. Councilmember Gath seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Ms. Daly then addressed the meeting members and guests suggesting that the City increase their sales tax by one percent (1%) and what impact that would have. Ms. Daly suggested that the Council review those impacts and outcome. Council and audience discussion ensued.

6. Announcements.

- Last date to file for a place on the May election ballot is February 17, 2017. Mayor Martin stated that three (3) candidate packets have been turned in and the deadline is until 5:00 p.m. on February 17, 2017.
- February 20, 2017 City offices will be closed in observance of President's Day.
- Drawing for a place on the ballot will be held February 27, 2017 if the election is not called due to unopposed candidates.
- Please see our website for upcoming May 6th, 2017 election news.
- Resident Cindy Daly announced information in relation to the bass tournament to be held on March 25th, 2017 at McNair Park.
- Councilmember Butler praised the Maintenance and Water Department employees for the amazing improvements that have recently taken place in our parks.

7. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

/s/ Linda A. Wendling
Linda A. Wendling, City Secretary

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Date