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

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## Stated Council Meeting Minutes

A stated meeting of the above-named council was held on March 15, 2018 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 2:29 p.m. declaring that a full quorum was present. Council members present were Fred Butler, Mike Byrd, Hank Gath, Dan Gower and Ruth Stanley. There were thirteen (13) audience attendees present. Also in attendance was City Secretary Linda Wendling.

### 2. Citizens to be heard.

- Mayor Martin stated that the only person who signed in to speak was Judge BeBe Piatt. Mayor Martin asked Judge Piatt if she would like to wait and make her comments when that line item was discussed, Judge Piatt agreed.

### 3. Consent items:

- a. Minutes of the Stated Meeting of February 15, 2018; and,**
- b. Financial Reports for the month of February 2018; and,**
- c. Ad Valorem Tax Collection Report for the month of February 2018**

(Attachment A through C) Mayor Martin introduced the consent items by providing review of each bulleted item.

**a)** Mayor Martin introduced the Stated Meeting Minutes of February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 by inquiring if the Council had any changes or suggestions; no corrections were received.

**b)** Mayor Martin outlined the Financial Reports of February by stating that Ms. Marcia Remore reviewed the City's documents and everything is accurate and in order.

**c)** Mayor Martin outlined the Ad Valorem Tax Collection Report of February by stating that the City has collected 93.38% percent of its taxes and those funds are still coming in. Mayor Martin stated that the tax income is comparable with previous years.

Upon receiving no comments, Councilmember Byrd moved to approve the consent items as presented. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**\* Mayor Martin announced that he is switching the order of the agenda slightly. \***

**The Council will first address Item Number 5 – Discussion of a Proclamation and then address Item Number 4 – Discussion on recommendation received from the Planning & Zoning Commission.**

### 5. Discussion and possible action on Proclamation of the City of Sunrise Beach declaring April 2018 – Blue Ribbon Month/"National Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month".

(Attachment E)

Mayor Martin introduced this item by providing the floor to Judge Piatt.

- Judge Piatt introduced herself and thanked everyone for their attendance. Judge Piatt stated that she is present today to raise awareness of Blue Ribbon Month for abused and neglected children. Judge Piatt stated that she is an active advocate of child abuse awareness and the Blue Ribbon Month incentive. Judge Piatt provided the audience attendees with several statistics relating to child abuse, including local and nationwide statics. Judge Piatt discussed the home environment issues and the need for more volunteers.

- Judge Piatt then introduced Ms. Shannon Heep, the Casa Representative for the Highland Lakes area which includes five (5) of our surrounding counties. Ms. Heep provided information in relation to the Casa program; including but not limited to, how the judicial system handles the removal of neglected children, the purpose of the Casa advocate when assigned a child and the extended communications involved between the Casa representative and the child's family, foster care facilities, legal representatives, ect. Ms. Heep thanked the City for helping to improve awareness. Council and audience discussion ensued with Ms. Heep responding to every question as posed. Ms. Heep additionally mentioned programs such as "Friends of Casa" and provided information related thereto. Council and audience discussion ensued.

- Mayor Martin stated that our Police Chief is also very involved with these programs but is unavailable for this meeting. [Mayor Martin read the proclamation for the record]

- Councilmember Butler moved to approve the Proclamation as presented. Councilmember Gath seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Mayor Martin signed the original Proclamation and presented it to Judge Piatt and Ms. Heep. [Photo opportunity]

**4. Discussion and possible action on the recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission Public Hearing held on February 22, 2018 regarding a request from property owners Mr. Wooten and Ms. Evridge. The request is to allow a Commercial use not specified in Zoning Ordinance 347 for Lot 296, Unit 2A at the corner of Sunrise Drive and Beach Street. The property owners would like to utilize the property for a wholesale bait shop. (Attachment D)**

Mayor Martin introduced this item by reading the line item aloud to the meeting members and guests. Since this matter has been discussed in public forum and the resident's inquiries have been responded to, Mayor Martin inquired if there were any additional questions or discussion. Upon receiving no comments, Councilmember Byrd moved to approve the Planning & Zoning's (P&Z's) recommendation as presented. Councilmember Gower seconded the motion. Council and audience discussion ensued. Resident Baruch inquired if the City would verify that all of the procedures are followed by the owner's and ensure that they received all the proper approvals from all necessary agencies, as discussed in the P&Z Hearing. Councilmember Gower stated in the affirmative; stating that the referenced verbiage is included in the P&Z's recommendation to Council and thus also approved. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**6. Discussion and action on Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the City of Sunrise Beach Village. (Attachment F)**

Mayor Martin introduced this item by stating that there were three (3) open positions for the May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Municipal Election and due to no opposition for those positions, a Certification of Unopposed Candidates is attached. Council discussion ensued. Councilmember Butler moved to approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates as provided. Councilmember Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**7. Discussion and action on the Order of Cancellation for the May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Municipal Election for the City of Sunrise Beach. (Attachment G)**

Mayor Martin introduced this item by stating that the City will hereby cancel their May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 municipal election since the three (3) candidates running for Office have been certified as unopposed. Mayor Martin read the Order of Cancellation into the record. This cancellation of election provides for another two-year term for each incumbent; Mayor Tommy Martin, Councilmember Hank Gath and Councilmember Dan Gower. Councilmember Gower moved to approve the Order of Cancellation as presented. Councilmember Gath seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**8. Announcements.**

- **Resident Cindy Daly stated that the Fire Department's Golf Tournament will be held on April 14, 2018 and there is additional information on our website and brochures at City Hall. Ms. Daly also inquired about the City's website having the words "proposed budget" in leu of "final budget". [The budget was posted to the website properly.]**

- **March 30<sup>th</sup>, Friday, the City Offices will be closed in observance of Good Friday.**

- **March 22<sup>nd</sup>, Thursday, the Planning & Zoning Comprehensive Plan Committee will hold a working session at 2:00 p.m. in the Civic Center.**

• **March 31<sup>st</sup>, Saturday, the CCAA is holding their Annual Easter Egg Hunt at 1:00 p.m. at McNair Park. The bunny arrives promptly at 1:00 p.m.**

- Mayor Martin stated that there have been some recent water issues which took three (3) employees to repair because the system was locked out. The problem has been corrected and is currently on-line. Mayor Martin further stated that the City did not lose the use of water nor publish "Reserve Water" notices. Mayor Martin reminded the meeting attendees that if you are leaving for an extended period you should always turn off your personal cut-off valve to avoid unknown leak(s). Council and audience discussion ensued in relation to reverse 911 (Code Red) which the City already has in place and what residents may do if they do not have a personal water cut-off valve. A city employee may be scheduled to come by the residence to turn off your valve, but the City will charge for each "ON &/or OFF" that the City employees must go out and perform.
- Resident Bill Daly mentioned the Volunteer Fire Department's Golf Tournament and provided the date, times, costs, benefits and other information as provided on the brochures.
- Councilmember Gower spoke in relation to the 911 addressing. Councilmember Gower stated that each resident may produce their own sign utilizing the recommendations as set out in the brochure:, three inch (3") reflective numbers on a contrasting background near the roadway. Or, Councilmember Gower stated that each resident should have received a brochure in the mail outlining the procedure for obtaining a sign, the cost is only fifteen dollars (\$15.00) and the Fire Department will make the address sign for your residence. [There are additional brochures and applications located at City Hall.]

**9. Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

*/s/ Linda A. Wendling*

*4/19/2018*

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**Linda A. Wendling, City Secretary**

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**Date**