MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL
JULY 15, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

I. CALL TO ORDER Mayor Tony Kennon called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

II. INVOCATION Father Paul, St. Thomas by the Sea Catholic Church

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

Present:
Councilmember Jeff Silvers
Councilmember Jerry Johnson
Councilmember Annette Mitchell
Councilmember Joni Blalock
Councilmember Jeff Boyd
Mayor Tony Kennon

Absent: None

V. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to approve the agenda as written. Vote unanimous in favor.

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The reading was waived and minutes were approved as written.

VI. REPORTS OF OFFICERS/COMMITTEES

1. City Administrator – Ford Handley — No report.
2. Director, Public Works – Tim Tucker — No report.
3. Director, Community Development – Adam Roberson — No report.
4. Chief, Police Department – Steve Brown — No report.
5. Chief, Fire Department – Jeff Smith — No report.
6. City Clerk – Renee Eberly — No report.
7. Director, Finance – Ford Handley — No report.
8. Parks & Recreation – Nicole Ard — No report.
9. Director, Utilities – Rob Stalcup — No report.
10. Director, Coastal Resources – Phillip West — No report.
11. Librarian, Public Library – Meagan Bing — No report.
12. Director, Municipal Court – Pam Davis — No report.
13. Director, Expect Excellence – Ford Handley — No report.
14. Mayor/Council

Councilmember Blalock praised the Parks and Recreation Department for their successful "Pop-Up Park & Block Party" event held this past weekend.

VII. AUDITING OF ACCOUNTS

Motion made (Mitchell/Silvers) to certify that cash requirements with no related interests are within budget and appropriate for payment. Vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).**

Motion made (Mitchell/Boyd) to certify that cash requirements with related interests in Swift Supply are within budget and appropriate for payment. Vote revealed: Silvers, abstain; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (5-0-1).**

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

IX. RECOGNITIONS

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinances

1. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 172, the Zoning Ordinance, Case No. 0607-PUDA-25, Oasis at Orange Beach (formerly Phoenix West II) PUD Modification, Signage Amendment. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) to adopt the ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, nay; Mitchell, nay; Blalock, nay; Boyd, nay; Kennon, nay. **Motion failed. (1-5).**

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions

1. Resolution approving a temporary permit for a sales trailer located at the Margaritaville resort development site. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Resolution authorizing the execution of a use agreement with the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber for the 52nd Annual National Shrimp Festival. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
3. Resolution authorizing the execution of a service agreement with Offset Consulting LLC for the Police Department instructor training. **Motion made (Blalock/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
4. Resolution accepting the donation of Forensic Equipment for the Police Department from Forensic Pieces, Inc. **Motion made (Silvers/Boyd) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
5. Resolution authorizing the execution of a memo of understanding funding agreement with Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation, Inc., for the Fire Department. **Motion made (Blalock/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
6. Resolution awarding the bid for a Towfish and Sector Scanning Sonar System to Scuba.com, Inc., in the amount of $34,046. **Motion made (Johnson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Councilmember Blalock asked about the lifespan of the equipment. Chief Smith responded that the equipment is expected to last 10 to 15 years with standard maintenance and software updates. Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

Public Hearings

1. Public hearing for consideration of Conditional Use Approval for Case No. 0603-CU-25, Keel RV Storage Third Addition.

   Griffin Powell, Planner II, presented the request by Lieb Engineering Company, LLC, on behalf of Mark Keel Construction, LLC, for Conditional Use Approval to construct three mini warehouses at 27103 Canal Road in the General Business (GB) zoning district.

There being no comments, the public hearing adjourned.

Ordinances

1. First Reading – Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 172, the Zoning Ordinance, Case No. 0603-CU-25, Keel RV Storage Third Addition. **Motion made (Blalock/Boyd) for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of this ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, abstain; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion failed. (5-0-1).** Ordinance will move forward to a second reading.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

XIV. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the council, motion made (Boyd/Blalock) to adjourn. Vote unanimous in favor.

Time: 5:12 P.M.

APPROVED this the 19th day of August, 2025.

Renee Eberly
City Clerk

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