

**MINUTES OF
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL
JULY 20, 2021 – 5:21 P.M.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

The Orange Beach City Council met to review potential items for the August 3, 2021, agenda.

The following members were present:

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

The following members were absent:

None

The following items were discussed:

1. Resolution authorizing a franchise for Hoyer Rentals LLC to remove and dispose of commercial solid waste and to remove and transport construction and demolition debris.
2. Resolution appointment Michael D. Davis, P.E., and reappointing Jeff Silvers to the Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals.
3. Resolution adopting a City of Orange Beach FY2022 Transportation Plan.
4. Set a public hearing date for an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 172, the Zoning Ordinance, Case No. 0704-PUD-21, Romar Beach Hotel PUD. Public hearing set for August 17, 2021.
5. Reminder: Public hearing for the vacation of a right-of-way located east of Andrews Lane on August 3, 2021.
6. Reminder: Public hearing and first reading for an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 172, the Zoning Ordinance, Case No. 0608-PUDA-21, Sunset Park, Lot 25, 4696 Casablanca Dr., Porch Encroachment on August 3, 2021.

Public Comments:

1. Bill Jeffries submitted questions through Facebook. He asked when to expect the first performance at the new Performing Arts Center. Mayor Kennon responded that we are waiting on sound and lighting equipment.

Mr. Jeffries also asked when the official speed limit will be posted on the new lanes on Canal Road. Kit Alexander, Community Development Director, responded that the City Council's resolution requesting 45 mph is under review by ALDOT. The temporary construction speed limit of 40 mph will remain until the contractor's punch list is complete.

Lastly, Mr. Jeffries asked what the City's responsibility is at the new County boat launch. Mayor Kennon responded that since it is within city limits, the City of Orange Beach will be responsible for police, fire and medical services. He also said that it would probably fall on the city to maintain cleanliness.

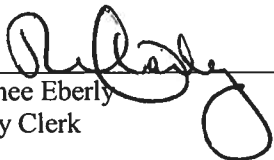
2. Ken Grimes, City Administrator, thanked the Pensacola Naval Base, Blue Angels, and all who had a hand in coordinating the inclusion of Orange Beach in the Blue Angels flight show.

3. Councilmember Boyd introduced Frances Holk-Jones who is running for office in the 2022 Alabama State House District 95 election.
4. Ken Grimes, City Administrator, announced the "Makos on Main" back to school event, which will be held on Monday, August 9th at the Wharf in conjunction with Kids Night Out sponsored by the Police Department.
5. Mayor Kennon recognized Tim Harry and Chris Litton for coordinating a youth skeet shooting team.
6. Mayor Kennon advised residents to be aware that new registration and inspection requirements for golf cart are imminent due to state legislation. A gentleman in the audience asked if safety belts would be required. Mayor Kennon responded that it is still under discussion. A lady in the audience asked if there is any plan to check for drivers' licenses. Mayor Kennon responded that, per state law, no person may operate a golf cart on a public street or road without a driver's license.
7. Joe Cardwell thanked Mayor, Council, Jonathan Langston, Architect and Contractor for the new Adult Fitness Center.
8. Councilmember Boyd announced that the ribbon cutting for the new South Baldwin Regional Medical Center Freestanding Emergency Department in Gulf Shores will be on Friday, July 23rd at 9:00 A.M.
9. Mayor and staff spoke of upcoming classes and events.
10. A lady from the audience asked when classes at the new Adult Fitness Center would begin. Mayor Kennon responded that some classes will move from the old Recreation Center to the new Adult Fitness Center, but that other classes may stay in other facilities depending on space requirements.
11. Randy Davis, former State Representative, introduced himself to the audience and stated that he is now in governmental affairs at Columbia Southern University. Councilmember Boyd thanked him for his service.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Time: 5:40 P.M.

APPROVED this 17th day of August, 2021.



Renee Eberly
City Clerk