

**MINUTES OF  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
MARCH 17, 2026 – 5:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Kennon called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.
- II. **INVOCATION** Councilmember Robert Stuart
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmember Jeff Silvers  
Councilmember Jack Robertson  
Councilmember Ginger Harrelson  
Councilmember Robert Stuart  
Councilmember Jerry Johnson  
Mayor Tony Kennon

Absent: None

V. **CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA**

Motion made (Stuart/Silvers) to approve the agenda as written. Vote unanimous in favor.  
Motion passed.

VI. **CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Regular Council Meeting 02/10/2026  
Committee of the Whole 02/10/2026

The reading was waived and minutes were approved as written.

VII. **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 – Trent Johnson 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 Stuart plugged an upcoming Women’s Firearms Safety Class provided by the Orange Beach Police Department.

Councilmember Silvers thanked city staff and residents for their support and participation in the Coastal Arts Festival this past weekend. He also reminded the public about the upcoming Wharf Boat Show.

Ford Handley, City Administrator, applauded city staff and the 75+ cast members who put on *Frozen* at the Performing Arts Center over the past two weekends. Council joined in on praising the quality of the performances.

#### VIII. AUDITING OF ACCOUNTS

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

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

#### IX. PRESENTATIONS

#### X. RECOGNITIONS

#### XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### XII. NEW BUSINESS

##### Miscellaneous

1. Approval of a Special Events Retail Liquor License Application by Bottles Up Mobile, Inc. for the "Art for Heart 2026" event to be held April 18, 2026, at the Orange Beach Event Center, 4671 Wharf Parkway West. **Motion made (Johnson/Stuart) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Approval of a Retail Beer (Off Premises Only), Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only), and Tobacco and Alternative Nicotine Products Liquor License Application by SAI SARVADHAARA LLC for the Orange Beach C Store at 26787 Canal Road. **Motion made (Harrelson/Silvers) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

##### Resolutions

1. Resolution reappointing Joni Blalock to the Library Board. **Motion made (Silvers/Stuart) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Resolution authorizing the sole source purchase of a Lifeguard Tower from Bausch Enterprises, Inc., for the Surf Rescue Division of the Fire Department in an amount not to exceed \$82,835. **Motion made (Silvers/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
3. Resolution authorizing the execution of a task order with McCollough Architecture, Inc., to provide engineering services for renovation of the Old Finance Building in an amount not to exceed \$68,800. **Motion made (Johnson/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
4. Resolution authorizing the execution of software service agreements with Clearview AI, Inc., for facial recognition for the Police Department. **Motion made (Silvers/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
5. Resolution authorizing execution of a task order with GeoCon Engineering & Materials Testing, Inc., to provide geotechnical exploration and engineering services for a preliminary soil study for a new civic center in an amount not to exceed \$8,565. **Motion made (Harrelson/Stuart) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

6. Resolution authorizing a waiver of rental fees for the Orange Beach Performing Arts Center for the Baldwin Pops, Inc., John Allen Memorial Scholarship Concert. **Motion made (Johnson/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
7. Resolution authorizing the execution of a performance contract with Natalie van Blerk for tennis professional services. **Motion made (Robertson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
8. Resolution authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement with Coastal Wave Diagnostics, LLC, for cardiovascular screenings for city employees. **Motion made (Robertson/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
9. Resolution authorizing execution of an intergovernmental agreement with Baldwin County for maintenance of Navy Road. **Motion made (Stuart/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
10. Resolution authorizing the execution of a right of entry permit and license agreement with The Nature Conservancy for the restoration of Orange Beach Waterfront Park. **Motion made (Stuart/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
11. Resolution authorizing the execution of a task order with Wetland Sciences, Inc., to perform a wetland assessment of the proposed site for a new civic center in an amount not to exceed \$2,750. **Motion made (Johnson/Stuart) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
12. Resolution authorizing execution of agreements to grant underground electric line easements to Baldwin County Electric Membership Corporation. **Motion made (Harrelson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
13. Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement for cooperative maintenance with the Alabama Department of Transportation for State Highway 182 median landscaping. **Motion made (Robertson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
14. Resolution awarding the bid for Two Vehicles for the Community Development Department to Eastern Shore Toyota, LLC, in the amount of \$88,000. **Motion made (Silvers/Robertson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
15. Resolution awarding the annual bid for Magnesium Hydroxide Slurry to Polytec, Inc., per unit pricing for a maximum of three years. **Motion made (Robertson/Harrelson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
16. Resolution awarding the annual bid for On-Call Electrical Services to A&B Electric Company of Mobile, Inc., per unit pricing for a maximum of three years. **Motion made (Stuart/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
17. Resolution awarding the annual bid for On-Call Carpentry, Drywall and Painting Services to Innovated Color Coatings LLC per unit pricing for a maximum of three years. **Motion made (Harrelson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
18. Resolution appointing a member to the Orange Beach City Board of Education. **Motion made (Silvers/Stuart) to adopt a resolution appointing Stephen Lewis to the Orange Beach City Board of Education.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

### XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Mayor Kennon announced that a Town Hall is planned for May 6, 2026, at the Performing Arts Center, upon confirmation of facility availability. He stated that a topic of discussion will be safety concerns surrounding the use of e-bikes and scooters by minors. Councilmembers appealed to parents to enforce the use of helmets and to drivers to slow down in neighborhoods.

2. Mayor Kennon stated that he is receiving numerous requests from individuals to be appointed to various municipal advisory boards. He explained his process for prioritizing based on seniority and years served. He recommended that anyone interested in serving on boards start by attending council meetings.

**XIV. ADJOURN**

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

Time: 5:16 P.M.

**APPROVED** this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2026.

  
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Renee Eberly  
City Clerk



**PROPERTY ACQUISITION NOTICE PER ALA. CODE §9-15-100**

Pursuant to Alabama Code §9-15-100, the City of Orange Beach hereby gives notice of purchase of certain tracts of real property located at 0 Russian Road, Gulf Shores, Alabama 36542 identified in the Baldwin County tax records as parcel 05-61-06-23-0-000-009.00, PPIN 30636; and 23112 Russian Road, Gulf Shores, Alabama 36542 identified in the Baldwin County tax records as parcel 05-61-06-23-0-000-011.01, PIN 208987. These tracts were purchased, respectively, for Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) for 1.310 acres and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for 1.575 acres- a combined purchase price of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) paid from the Orange Beach General Fund Surplus. Closing on these property tracts were finalized on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and December 16, 2025, respectively. Appraisals were performed by Capital Real Estate Services on October 16, 2024, and the tracts were valued at Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), respectively. The Mayor was authorized to execute these documents on behalf of the City by Resolution No. 25-060 which was passed by vote of the City Council at its regularly held meeting on March 18, 2025, with Purchase Agreements attached.