

**MINUTES OF
SPECIAL-CALLED COUNCIL MEETING
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 20, 2020 – 11:30 A.M.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- I. CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Tony Kennon called the meeting to order at 11:29 A.M.
- II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmember Jeff Silvers
Councilmember Jerry Johnson [Videoconference]
Councilmember Annette Mitchell
Councilmember Joni Blalock Costo
Councilmember Jeff Boyd
Mayor Tony Kennon

Absent: None

There being a quorum present, the meeting was opened for the transaction of business.

- III. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA: Motion made (Blalock Costo/Johnson) to approve the agenda as presented.** Vote unanimous in favor.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions

1. Resolution declaring an emergency affecting public health, safety, and convenience due to COVID-19. **Motion made (Silvers/Blalock Costo) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor.

Ordinances

1. First Reading – Ordinance amending Chapter 38 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Orange Beach, Alabama, to prohibit violation of an order of the State Health Officer applicable within the City of Orange Beach or its Police Jurisdiction and to prescribe penalties for violations. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) for unanimous consent to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of this ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock Costo, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Passed. (6-0).** **Motion made (Blalock Costo/Silvers) to adopt the ordinance.** Discussion followed. Mayor Kennon clarified that the city has not mandated any shut downs of businesses. Closures of the Phoenix condos and Perdido Beach Resort have been private company decisions. Councilmember Blalock Costo inquired about closing city facilities such as the library and senior center. Mayor Kennon responded that usage of both facilities has decreased significantly as a result of individuals exercising caution, and that he prefers to leave the facilities open for citizens who do still want to use them since current conditions do not necessitate facility closures. Ken Grimes, City Administrator, announced that public beach accesses have been barricaded and double red flags are being flown. Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock Costo, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Passed. (6-0).**

VI. ADJOURN

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

Time: 11:54 A.M.

APPROVED this the 21st day of April, 2020.



Renee Eberly
City Clerk