

**MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 5, 2024 – 5:00 P.M.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- I. CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Tony Kennon called the meeting to order at 4:58 P.M.
- II. INVOCATION** Pastor John McIntosh, Worship on the Water Flora-Bama 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 (Blalock/Boyd) to approve the agenda as written. Vote unanimous in favor.

VI. CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting	01/16/2024
Committee of the Whole	01/16/2024
Work Session	01/30/2024

The reading was waived and minutes were approved as written.

VII. REPORTS OF OFFICERS/COMMITTEES

1. City Administrator – Ford Handley

Mr. Handley recognized new department heads - Adam Roberson, Community Development, and Nicole Ard, Parks and Recreation.

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

14. Mayor/Council

Councilmember Silvers thanked staff for a successful Seafood Festival. Ale McGraw, Special Events Coordinator, reported record breaking attendance of over 24,000.

Councilmember Silvers also recognized the passing of Iris Ethridge, former councilmember and founding member of the Orange Beach Fishing Association.

Councilmember Blalock reminded those in attendance of the Art Festival taking place this coming weekend on March 9-10, 2024.

Councilmember Boyd recognized Brady, an annual visitor from Minnesota who was in the audience.

VIII. 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/Johnson) 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).**

IX. PRESENTATIONS

X. RECOGNITIONS

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Miscellaneous

1. Approval of a Special Events Retail Liquor License Application by Event Concessions, Inc., for the 2024 Wharf Boat Show to be held March 15-17, 2023, at 4685 Wharf Parkway. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Approval of a Special Retail (More than 30 Days) Liquor License Application by WE OBA Manager, LLC, for Adventure Island. **Motion made (Blalock/Mitchell) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
3. Approval of a Special Retail (More than 30 Days) Liquor License Application by J.A.T. UNITED, LLC, for Oasis Beachside Cafe and Bar. **Motion made (Silvers/Boyd) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
4. Approval of one-year extension for Case No. 1203-PUD-22, Romar Beach Hotel PUD expiring March 31, 2025. **Motion made (Mitchell/Boyd) to approve the extension.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
5. Approval of one-year extension for Case No. 1205-PUD-22, Jones Duplex PUD expiring March 31, 2025. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to approve the extension.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

Resolutions

1. Resolution authorizing the execution of a subaward grant agreement with the Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program, Inc. to construct and operate a greenhouse. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

2. Resolution authorizing a franchise for Robin's Rides, LLC, to operate a taxi service within the city limits and police jurisdiction of the City of Orange Beach. **Motion made (Blalock/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
3. Resolution authorizing execution of an intergovernmental agreement with Baldwin County for maintenance of Navy Road. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
4. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Vehicle for the Expect Excellence Department through Sourcewell in the amount of \$60,846.86. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
5. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Tractor and Reel Mower for the Landscape Department through Sourcewell from Deere & Company in the amount of \$48,961.48. **Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
6. Resolution authorizing the execution of a cooperative maintenance agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation for sidewalk on State Highway 180 right-of-way from Wharf Parkway East to Gulf Bay Road. **Motion made (Silvers/Blalock) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
7. Resolution awarding the bid for On-Call Carpentry, Drywall and Painting Services to MD Thomas Construction, LLC, per unit pricing for a maximum of three years. **Motion made (Johnson/Boyd) to adopt the resolution.** Vote revealed: Silvers, abstain; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (5-0-1).**
8. Resolution declaring Fire Department Uniforms owned by the City of Orange Beach as surplus and unneeded and authorizing the donation of said property to the Pine Grove Volunteer Fire Department. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
9. Resolution authorizing a settlement agreement by and between Chase Morrisette, et al., and the City of Orange Beach. **Motion made (Blalock/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
10. Resolution authorizing a settlement agreement by and between Laura Davis and the City of Orange Beach. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

Ordinances

1. First Reading – Ordinance amending and restating Chapter 42, Article III of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Orange Beach, Alabama, retitled “Floodplain Development.” **Motion made (Silvers/Boyd) 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, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).** **Motion made (Silvers/Boyd) to adopt the ordinance.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, abstain; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (6-0).**

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

XIV. ADJOURN

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

Time: 5:16 P.M.

APPROVED this the 2nd day of April, 2024.





Renee Eberly
City Clerk