MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL
JULY 2, 2024 – 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 Pastor Kim Vanbrimmer, Orange Beach Presbyterian Church

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Councilmember Jeff Silvers

V. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

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

VI. CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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Committee of the Whole	06/04/2024

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 – Steve Brown — No report.
5. Chief, Fire Department – Jeff Smith — No report.
6. City Clerk – Renee Eberly — No report.
7. Director, Finance – Ford Handley — Report attached.
8. Parks & Recreation – Nicole Ard — No report.
9. Director, Utilities – Jeff Hartley — 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

Mayor Kennon acknowledged a recent controversy regarding a distasteful advertisement flown by the Blue Sky Banner Towing plane. The Mayor stated that the owner has apologized and explained that it was an oversight that will not happen again. Councilmember Boyd praised another banner plane owned by Jack Fisher who chose to not fly the ad.

Councilmember Mitchell recognized the Orange Beach High School Makos Softball Team that finished their season as #1 in the nation.

VIII. AUDITING OF ACCOUNTS

Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to certify that cash requirements with no related interests are within budget and appropriate for payment. Vote revealed: Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (5-0).**

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

IX. PRESENTATIONS

X. RECOGNITIONS

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolutions

1. Resolution authorizing execution of a marina slip license agreement with Pelican's Perch Marina and Boat Yard. **Motion made (Mitchell/Blalock) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions

1. Resolution authorizing execution of a software service agreement with Governmentjobs.com, Inc., dba NEOGOV, for human resources management. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Resolution reappointing members to the Library Board to fill a vacancy and to correct terms of remaining members. **Motion made (Boyd/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
3. Resolution appointing David Dichiara, McGee Scarbrough, Ryan Long, and Travis Shell to the Board of Adjustment. **Motion made (Mitchell/Blalock) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
4. Resolution establishing fees for the Orange Beach Swim Team program. **Motion made (Blalock/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Council discussed briefly. Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
5. Resolution authorizing the execution of a ground lease agreement with Auburn University for the Gulf Coast Engineering Research Station. **Motion made (Mitchell/Boyd) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
6. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget to reallocate funds. **Motion made (Blalock/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
7. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Passenger Shuttle for the Coastal Resources Department through a General Services Administration contract from Gator Moto Utility Vehicles and More, LLC, dba Moto Electric Vehicles, in the amount of $26,516.17. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

8. Resolution authorizing a franchise for 24 Transportation LLC, dba Platinum CTS, to operate a taxi/limousine service within the city limits and police jurisdiction of the City of Orange Beach. **Motion made (Blalock/Boyd) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

9. Resolution authorizing execution of a marina slip license agreement with Wharf Entertainment Properties, L.L.C. **Motion made (Boyd/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

XIV. ADJOURN

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

Time: 5:09 P.M.

APPROVED this the 6th day of August, 2024.

Renee Eberly
City Clerk

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