

**MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 17, 2024 – 5:00 P.M.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- I. CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Tony Kennon called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M.
- II. INVOCATION** Councilmember Jerry Johnson
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Eagle Scouts Evan Chase and Daniel Flowers
- IV. ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Councilmember Jeff Boyd

V. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

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

VI. CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Work Session	11/19/2024
Regular Council Meeting	11/19/2024
Committee of the Whole	11/19/2024

The reading was waived and minutes were approved as written.

VII. REPORTS OF OFFICERS/COMMITTEES

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| 1. <u>City Administrator – Ford Handley</u> | No report. |
| 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. <u>Mayor/Council</u> | |

Councilmember Jerry Johnson invited those in attendance to gather after the meeting at the Orange Beach History Museum to sing Christmas carols.

Woody Speed, Environmental Specialist, announced that the Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program has obtained national designation.

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; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (5-0).**

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; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (4-0-1).**

IX. PRESENTATIONS

X. RECOGNITIONS

1. Recognition of Dr. Mary Catherine Law for achieving her doctorate in education. Mayor Kennon read aloud the Certificate of Recognition, which was accepted by Dr. Law.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolutions

1. Resolution authorizing execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with EnCompass360, Inc., for grant writing. **Motion made (Johnson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Resolution awarding the Request for Proposals for program administration services for the First Responders Safe Room project to EnCompass360, Inc. **Motion made (Silvers/Blalock) to postpone consideration until the next council meeting on January 7, 2025.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Miscellaneous

1. Approval of a Lounge Retail Liquor Class II (Package) License Application by SAI MURTI LLC for Legacy Spirits 3, 4593 Main Street, Suite C102. **Motion made (Mitchell/Silvers) 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 Sun TRS Pandion Ridge LLC for Sun Outdoors Orange Beach, 22800 Canal Road. **Motion made (Silvers/Blalock) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

Resolutions

1. Resolution appropriating funds to the Gulf Shores Airport Authority in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for FY2025. **Motion made (Johnson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Resolution authorizing execution of a performance contract with Baldwin County Economic Development Alliance, Inc. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

3. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Socialize Your Bizness, Inc., for social media consulting and marketing services. **Motion made (Blalock/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
4. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates for consulting services. **Motion made (Johnson/Blalock) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
5. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Bob Riley and Associates, LLC, for lobbying services. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
6. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Chris Litton for various special services. **Motion made (Johnson/Blalock) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
7. Resolution to update the list of volunteer firefighters and reserve police officers covered under workers' compensation insurance. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
8. Resolution authorizing payment of up to \$3,000 to the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber for the Annual Electronic Recycling and Paper Shred Event. **Motion made (Johnson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
9. Resolution authorizing execution of a second amendment to the grant award agreement with the National Audubon Society for the stewardship of Coastal Alabama beach nesting bird habitat. **Motion made (Blalock/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
10. Resolution authorizing execution of a second amendment to the implementation agreement with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the Coastal Alabama Sea Turtle Triage Restoration Project. **Motion made (Silvers/Blalock) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
11. Resolution authorizing the execution of amendment four to the subaward grant agreement with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the RESTORE Act state expenditure plan funded expansion of the Orange Beach Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Program. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
12. Resolution authorizing the execution of a performance contract with Callie Perez for the bracelet making instruction at the Senior Center. **Motion made (Blalock/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
13. Resolution authorizing the purchase of Cardiac Monitors/Defibrillators for the Fire Department through the NPPGov purchasing cooperative from ZOLL Medical Corporation in the amount of \$652,164.56. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
14. Resolution authorizing the execution of retainer agreements for outside counsel for the City of Orange Beach for 2025. **Motion made (Blalock/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
15. Resolution authorizing the execution of a right-of-way franchise agreement with Brightspeed of Southern Alabama, LLC. **Motion made (Johnson/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

16. Resolution authorizing execution of a medical services agreement with Southern Rapid Healthcare, Inc. **Motion made (Blalock/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
17. Resolution authorizing execution of a medical services agreement with South Baldwin Medical Group, dba Baldwin Health Primary and Urgent Care - Orange Beach. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
18. Resolution appointing members to the Employees' Leave Bank Committee. **Motion made (Blalock/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
19. 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 \$88,810. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote revealed: Silvers, nay; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (4-1).**
20. Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with VITALExam, LLC, for comprehensive medical exams for Orange Beach Fire Department personnel. **Motion made (Mitchell/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
21. Resolution declaring certain personal property owned by the City of Orange Beach as surplus and unneeded and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to dispose of such property. **Motion made (Blalock/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
22. Resolution awarding the bid for Canal Road Sidewalks from Oak Street to William Silvers Parkway to PL Russell LLC in an amount not to exceed \$386,898.94. **Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
23. Resolution awarding the bid for Two Personal Watercrafts with Two Single Trailers for the Fire Department to Chaves Brothers Management, LLC, in the amount of \$49,398. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
24. Resolution awarding the bid for Solar Powered Trailers to Rural Power Systems Inc. in the amount of \$28,999 for one solar powered trailer. **Motion made (Blalock/Silvers) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
25. Resolution awarding the bid for a Vehicle for the Police Department to Family Ford, Inc., dba Hardy Family Ford, in the amount of \$78,260. **Motion made (Silvers/Blalock) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
26. Resolution awarding the bid for Pest Control for various city facilities to Guardian Pest Services, Inc., dba Knox Pest Control, per unit pricing for a maximum term of three years. **Motion made (Silvers/Blalock) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
27. Resolution authorizing the purchase of Lighting for Baseball Fields 1 and 9-12 at the Sportsplex through the Sourcewell purchasing cooperative from Musco Sports Lighting, LLC, in the amount of \$477,500. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
28. Resolution authorizing the City of Orange Beach, Alabama, to levy taxes within its Police Jurisdiction. **Motion made (Mitchell/Blalock) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
29. Resolution authorizing the execution of a performance contract with Severance Security Services, LLC, for a public safety training initiative. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

Ordinances

1. First Reading – Ordinance amending Chapter 42, Article II, Division 2, Section 42-41(d) of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Orange Beach, Alabama, to remove the adoption of Appendix "M" of the 2021 International Fire Code. **Motion made (Silvers/Blalock) 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; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (5-0).** **Motion made (Blalock/Silvers) to adopt the ordinance contingent upon the removal of Buena Vista parking and beach access elements.** Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Blalock, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (5-0).**

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

XIV. ADJOURN

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

Time: 5:25 P.M.

APPROVED this the 28th day of January, 2025.



Renee Eberly
City Clerk

