MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL
JULY 1, 2025 – 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 Father Paul, St. Thomas by the Sea Catholic Church

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Councilmember Jeff Silvers
Councilmember Joni Blalock

V. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

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

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The reading was waived and minutes were approved as written.

VI. 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

Chief Smith shared that the department has been notified of successful CAAS (Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services) accreditation. He also stated that the department has been awarded a grant to purchase LUCAS (Lund University Cardiopulmonary Assist System) device, which provides mechanical chest compressions to patients in cardiac arrest.

6. City Clerk – Renee Eberly — No report.
7. Director, Finance – Ford Handley — No report.
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

Councilmember Boyd recognized all the municipal election candidates in attendance. He also addressed confusion regarding campaign signs.

Councilmember Johnson commended the Parks and Recreation Department for a successful farmers market event.

Ford Handley, City Administrator, also commended the Expect Excellence Performing Arts Division for their recent *Dream On* production.

VII. AUDITING OF ACCOUNTS

Motion made (Mitchell/Boyd) to certify that cash requirements with no related interests are within budget and appropriate for payment. Vote revealed: Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (4-0).**

Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to certify that cash requirements with related interests in Swift Supply are within budget and appropriate for payment. Vote revealed: Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Motion passed. (4-0).**

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation declaring July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month. Mayor Kennon read the proclamation aloud. Nicole Ard, Parks and Recreation Director, spoke about upcoming events and recognized her staff committee.

IX. RECOGNITIONS

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinances

1. Second Reading – Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 172, the Zoning Ordinance, Case No. 0607-PUDA-25, Oasis at Orange Beach (formerly Phoenix West II) PUD Modification, Signage Amendment. **Motion made (Johnson/Boyd) to postpone consideration until the next council meeting on July 15, 2025.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Miscellaneous

1. Approval of a Retail Common Carrier Liquor License Application by Adventure Cruises OB, LLC, for Delfino, 4575 Wilson Boulevard, Slip 2. **Motion made (Johnson/Boyd) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Approval of a Special Events Retail Liquor License Application by Wharf Restaurant Group LLC for the "ASCE Alabama Summer Meeting" event to be held on July 17-18, 2025, at 4671 Wharf Parkway West. **Motion made (Mitchell/Boyd) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
3. Approval of a Restaurant Retail Liquor License Applicatioin by Nami Sushi LLC for Nami Sushi at 25908 Canal Road, Suite H. **Motion made (Boyd/Mitchell) to approve the liquor license.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

Resolutions

1. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget. **Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**
2. Resolution appointing the City Clerk to prepare and file the list of qualified voters for the August 26, 2025, Municipal Election in the City of Orange Beach. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

3. Resolution appointing election officers for the August 26, 2025, Municipal Election. **Motion made (Boyd/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

4. Resolution appropriating $25,000 to the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber for the purpose of funding community programming. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

5. Resolution authorizing the purchase of Vehicle Emergency Equipment for the Police Department from state bid in the amount of $61,604.23. **Motion made (Johnson/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

6. Resolution authorizing the execution of a software service and hardware purchase agreement with Flock Group, Inc., for license plate recognition cameras for the Police Department in the amount of $81,000. **Motion made (Mitchell/Boyd) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

7. Resolution authorizing the execution of a performance agreement with The Funky Lampshades for music entertainment at the "Pop-Up Park & Block Party" event. **Motion made (Johnson/Boyd) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

8. Resolution authorizing the execution of a software service agreement with Governmentjobs.com, Inc., dba NeoGov, for Core HR, employee benefits, payroll, time/labor management, and employee forms. **Motion made (Boyd/Mitchell) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

9. Resolution authorizing the execution of a master services agreement with OpenGov, Inc., for cloud software services. **Motion made (Johnson/Boyd) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

10. Resolution authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with Caroline Grimes for theater performance direction and stage management assistance for "Lion King JR." **Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion passed.**

11. Resolution declaring Jeffrey H. Silvers duly elected to the office of City Council Place No. 4. **Motion made (Boyd/Johnson) 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 (Mitchell/Boyd) to adjourn. Vote unanimous in favor.

Time: 5:18 P.M.

APPROVED this the 5th day of August, 2025.

Renee Eberly
City Clerk

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