

MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020, 6:00 P.M. NEPTUNE BEACH CITY HALL, 116 FIRST STREET NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA

Pursuant to proper notice a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida.

Attendance:

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Elaine Brown Vice Mayor Fred Jones Councilor Kerry Chin Councilor Scott Wiley Councilor Josh Messinger STAFF:

City Manager Stefen Wynn
City Attorney Zachary Roth
Police Chief Richard Pike
Finance Director Peter Kajokas
Public Works Director Leon Smith

Community Development Director Kristina Wright

City Clerk Catherine Ponson

Call to Order/Roll

Call

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Councilor Chin led the Pledge of

Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes

Made by Messinger, seconded by Jones.

MOTION:

TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MINUTES, AS AMENDED:

January 6, 2020, Regular City Council Meeting

January 9, 2020, City Council/Dover, Kohl & Partners Meeting January 9, 2020, Community Vision Kickoff Presentation January 21, 2020, Workshop City Council Meeting

Roll Call Vote:

Aves:

5-Chin, Messinger, Wiley, Jones, and Brown.

Noes:

MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Report

City Manager Wynn reported the following:

• He would approve Supplemental Agreement 6 for Task Order #3 for Jarboe Park in the amount of \$8,352.00 and this should bring the engineering plans for Phase 1 to 100% completion.

- The Land Use and Parks Committee would meet on February 13, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. to present and review the plans for Jarboe Park Phase 1;
- The enforcement for paid parking is close to implementation;
- The DONNA Run Weekend is set for February 7-9, 2020. He reviewed the road closures and reminded everyone that the Beaches Town Center businesses would be open throughout the entire weekend.

Mayor Brown announced that the Beaches Watch 2020 State of the Beaches meeting would be held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., at the Beaches Branch Library, 600 3rd Street, Neptune Beach.

City Attorney Report

City Attorney Zachary Roth reported that there were legislative bills being considered that would impact Neptune Beach. He reviewed some of the bills, including those regarding short-term rentals, growth management (which would affect the Comprehensive Plan), fiscal transparency, pedestrian safety, building design, electric bicycles, resiliency, sovereign immunity, gifts to government employees, professional services procurement, the Bert Harris Act, smoking in public parks and communications service tax.

Councilor Wiley stated that all of these bills are important and there are also other bills that could affect Neptune Beach. He added that some of the proposed bills were introduced before and are now being presented as amended.

Councilor Messinger proposed drafting a letter from the Council as a whole informing the Duval delegation where the City stands on these issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comment

Mike Disch, 118 Magnolia Street, Neptune Beach, spoke regarding a construction project occurring behind his property. The project is expanding the structure of rental property. He questioned the ordinance that was passed that would allow this type of construction to take place and if that was the intention.

Sharon Jachem, 1716 Strand Street, Neptune Beach, spoke regarding restoring the plans to bring natural gas to Neptune Beach.

Ginny Thurson, 1200 7th Street, Neptune Beach, spoke regarding parking along Florida Boulevard where the East Coast Greenway Trail is located.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Chin commented he had attended the Dig Local meeting at the Beaches Branch Library and the organization is looking for ideas and participation in the upcoming Earth Day event on Saturday, April 18, 2020. He added that they also expressed an interest in a Kids Zone during the event that the City could take part in.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Elaine Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Catherine Ponson, CMC

City Clerk

Approved: 3-7-2020