

# CITY OF PASS CHRISTIAN, MISSISSIPPI

## MINUTE BOOK 136

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 6, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Pass Christian, Mississippi met on the above date at the Municipal Court Bldg., 105 Hiern Avenue, Pass Christian, Mississippi, at 6:00 p.m., same being the time and place for said meeting.

PRESENT: Mayor Renaud "Jimmy" Rafferty, Alderman at Large Kenny Torgeson, Alderwoman Betty Sparkman, Alderwoman Regina Charlot, Alderman Kirk Kimball, Alderman Victor Pickich, City Attorney, Malcolm Jones and City Clerk, Ron Duckworth.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS PRESENT: Officer Chris Williams, Code Enforcement, Mark Savasta; Public Works Director, Kirk Ladner; Harbor Master, Russell Holliman, Beautification Director, Brad Manus

There being a quorum present to transact the business of the City, the following proceedings were had and done.

### ADMINISTRATIVE

Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved, the agenda for the December 6, 2022, BOA meeting.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board expressing congratulations to Mr. Cecil Lizana, Pass Christian Public School District Board Member, who was recently elected President of the Mississippi School Boards Association (MSBA). This is a well-deserved honor

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Christmas in the Pass was spectacular. We would like to give a special thanks to the Pass Christian Volunteer Fire Department for its role in the Christmas in the Pass last Friday night. In particular, the Lead was Andy Purchner whose primary partner was Fire Chief Dwight Gordon. Austin Graham, Assistant Chief with the Volunteer Fire Department, organized the parade. In addition, we would like to thank all other City Employees who contributed, such as Brad Manus and the Beautification team, Kirk Ladner and the Public Works team, and Daren Freeman and our Police Department for ensuring a safe evening. Others who played a big role were the Pass Christian Library, Lindsey Fowler's team, Anita Giani and Mary Bourdin and many others who made it a night to remember.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously agreed on the advertisement of bids for RFQ for the selection of contractors for the repair of the right of way on North St. & Clarence at the Dollar General Entrance, as requested by Alderman Kirk Kimball.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Regina Charlot the Board consider discussing recommendation of the City Engineer concerning bids received for the Annual Unit Price Contract for paving.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously agreed on allowing the Girl Scout Troop 3604 of Long Beach-Pass Christian to use the War Memorial Park Gazebo for their "Caroling for Charity" service project on Saturday, December 10, 2022, from 5:30-8:00pm. The Girl Scouts will meet at the Gazebo to practice Christmas carols before walking in the adjoining neighborhood to sing Christmas carols and collect items for a local charity. The Girl Scouts will end at the Gazebo for hot chocolate and cookies. This will bring favorable notice of the resources and opportunities of the City.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Regina Charlot the Board unanimously agreed on allowing the Cub Scout Troop 316 of Pass Christian to use the Randolph Center on Friday, December 16, 2022, for their Christmas Party and Awards Ceremony. The Troop is also asking for the fees to be waived for this event. This will bring favorable notice of the resources and opportunities of the City.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved request for the following City resources for the 2023 Kids Parade to be held on Saturday, February 11, 2023, at 11:00am. Any costs incurred will be paid out of the Community Promotions Account. This will bring favorable notice of the resources and opportunities of the City, as requested by Alderman Kirk Kimball.

- i. Closing of the following streets:
  1. Scenic drive from Scenic & Davis Ave. to Beach Blvd & Scenic Drive
  2. Scenic & Hiern
  3. Scenic & Market
- ii. Barricades if needed
- iii. Use of digital sign if needed
- iv. Public safety/traffic assistance and trash pickup
- v. 6 Porta Potty's
- vi. Trash cans
- vii. Generator
- viii. Overtime pay if necessary
- ix. Other resources deemed necessary by the Mayor

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Upon motion by Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Regina Charlot the Board unanimously agreed on allowing Pass High Alumni to use the Randolph Center for the Mardi Gras Fund Raiser on February 18, 2023. The Alumni would also like to have the fees waived for this event. This will bring favorable notice of the resources and opportunities of the City.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously agreed on the resources needed for the 2023 Art in the Pass Fine Arts Festival schedule for the dates of March 31 to April 2, 2023. This will bring favorable notice of the resources and opportunities of the City as requested by Betty Sparkman, Chairperson of Art in the Pass.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board discussed the lawsuit filed by City of Biloxi and Biloxi Public School District against the City of Pass Christian, State of Miss. – Dept. of Revenue, Harrison County, MS Tax Collector, and all other cities and school districts in Harrison County, MS, in the Circuit Court of Harrison County, MS, 1<sup>st</sup> Jud. Dist., Cause No. 22-2490(4) for injunctive relief to correct erroneous assessment and apportionment of the Miss. Power Company public utility properties and authorize the City Attorney to file a Waiver of Service of Process, Entry of Appearance in the relief requested therein.

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### ***COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING***

Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded it by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously agreed on the purchase of Geographic Information System (GIS) Mapping Software, incurring a cost of \$2,500.00 for the initial installment and annually thereafter. Both MEMA/FEMA are highly recommending the application of the GIS software. This program will be beneficial but not limited to: Community Development, Fire Department, Police Department and Public Works. This product will be paid out of the Protective Inspection Contractual Services and Planning Contractual Services Budgets; funds are available per the City Clerk.

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***HARBOR***

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously adopted an ordinance establishing new standards for the installation of flow-through decking for new construction and replacement of public piers, excluding minor repairs, in the City's Harbor.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously authorized the City Engineer to prepare the Bid Package and advertise for reconstruction of the Finger Piers using flow-through decking at the Public Launch in the Southeast Corner of the West Harbor near the Yacht Club.

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***POLICE DEPARTMENT***

Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously agreed to add Kristopher Saccurato to part-time of officers at \$16.69 per hour effective December 9, 2022, pending Psychological Exam and Urinalysis.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved the recommendation to hire Christophe Waters to fill the existing vacancy in patrol effective December 9, 2022, and a starting salary of \$16.69 per hour with holiday pay. Waters is currently attending law enforcement academy and is anticipated to graduate December 22, 2022. He has passed all civil service requirements. Position has a one-year probationary period. This is a budgeted position and funds are available as confirmed by City Clerk.

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### *PUBLIC WORKS*

Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously agreed to take no action on the request for the Public Works Department and Beautification to shut down for Christmas from December 26, 2022, to January 3, 2023. Any employee not having the required vacation time will report to work that week and work their regular work schedule.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously authorizing to have repairs made to the Bucket Truck in the amount of \$15,390.00. This will be paid out of Public Works Contractual Repairs and Maintenance (001-301-635) and funds are available as confirmed by the City Clerk.

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### *UTILITIES DEPARTMENT*

Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approving request to issue refund to Darrell Samuels in the amount of \$646.25. Mr. Samuels paid a \$646.25 sewer tap fee. Per WPSCO work order stated in further excavation, an existing sewer tap was uncovered/discovered.

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### *CONSENT AGENDA*

Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved a \$35 expense for the Mayor attending the 2022 Pre-Legislative Briefing.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously approved request to apply for MS Department of Public Safety Police Traffic Services Grant in the amount of \$20,000. Deadline to submit is December 12, 2022. If approved, funds will be reimbursed to pay for overtime for patrol.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously agreed to Table the request to declare as surplus and remove vehicle totaled in accident on July 18, 2022, (2016 Ford F-250 VIN# 1FT7X2B67GEB69620), from Fixed Asset Inventory in the Harbor Department and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to transfer Certificate of Title and execute Power of Attorney to transfer vehicle to Copart on behalf of USAA Insurance in order to receive payment of insurance claim in the amount of \$35,857.00. As requested by City Clerk Ron Duckworth.

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously agreed to Table the recommendation of the City Planner for the re-subdivision of one (1) lot to create two (2) lots, T3R (sub-Urban) Zoning District, tax parcel: (0313F-03- 011.000- 225 Magnolia Avenue – Eugene & Paul Molinary); ((Development Code 3.0) (Sect. 3.0) (Table 3-A) (T3R Transect Zones)).

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Upon motion of Alderman Kirk Kimball and seconded by Alderman Pickich the Board unanimously agreed to Table the recommendation of the City Planner to merge four (4) lots to create one (1) lot, T5C (Urban Center – Commercial) Zoning District, tax parcel(s): (0313H-02- 102.000; 0313H-02-102.001; 0313H-02-103.000 & 0313H-02-103.001 – 254 East Beach Boulevard – Warren Dedeaux); ((Development Code 3.0)(Sect. 3.0)(Table 3-A)(T5C Transect Zones)).

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Upon motion of Alderman Victor Pickich and seconded by Alderman Kirk Kimball the Board unanimously agreed to Table the recommendation of the City Planner to merge two (2) lots to create one (1) lot, T3R (sub-Urban) Zoning District, tax parcel(s): (0412N-02-005.007 & 0412N-02-005.008 – 114 Seaside Oaks Drive – Seaside Oaks Subdivision – Donnie Haley); ((Development Code 3.0) (Sect. 3.0) (Table 3-A) (T3R Transect Zones)).

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### ***CLAIMS DOCKET***

Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved the Claims Docket in the amount of \$312,674.59 as recommended by the City Clerk/Finance Director.

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### *PUBLIC COMMENT*

*THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERPERSONS WILL ALLOW RESIDENTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH A THREE-MINUTE TIME LIMIT ON EACH SPEAKER. NO PUBLIC QUESTIONING COMMENTS ARE ALLOWED DURING THE MEETING, UNLESS THE MAYOR RECOGNIZES SUCH PERSON.*

Ms. Loretta Lizana spoke about the home at 388 Clark Street. She expressed her concerns about the home still being on the property and when will it be removed.

_____	12-06-2022_____
Mayor	Date
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City Clerk	Date