

CITY OF PASS CHRISTIAN, MISSISSIPPI

MINUTE BOOK 144

REGULAR MEETING

July 2, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons 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 Victor Pickich, City Attorney, Alderman Kirk Kimball, City Attorney, Malcolm Jones, City Clerk, Marian Governor

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

Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously adopted the agenda for the July 2, 2024, Board of Alderperson Meeting

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved the presentation of a Bronze Baille Flag to the city of Pass Christian by The Blind Veterans Association President, Raquel Welch. This creates awareness of our blind community members who love and have honorably served the United States of America.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously agreed on opening bids for the Relocation of Lift Station No. 31.

Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously agreed to accept all bids and refer to the City Engineer for review.

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.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderwoman Regina Charlot the Board unanimously agreed on hearing Pass Christian Main Streets Quarterly Report update and Mississippi Main Street Designated Application Status. As requested by Robin Rafferty.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderwoman Regina Charlot the Board unanimously approved the MCWI MOU for the following ARPA/MCWI approved projects: 188, 220, 234, and 239. This approved MOU will fulfill the requirement for the City to have all funds obligated by August 31, 2024. As requested by Engineer Bob Escher.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously approved revised Map (Proposal #3) and adopting ordinance for Redistricting under the 2020 U S Census to meet the requirements of Section 2 of the Federal Voting Rights Act and the United States Constitution that mandates local governments must adjust Ward boundary lines to ensure wards are equal in population as nearly is practicable and the rights of minorities to equally participate in the electoral process are not unlawfully diluted.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved Change Order 1 with Bottom 2 Top, LLC for North Street Gravity Sewer Improvements, Phase 1, as recommended by project Engineer, to increase total Contract Price to \$1,201,847.12. The proposed change is necessary or incidental to the completion of the work as originally bid, is commercially reasonable and not made to circumvent the public purchasing status, and that any increase or decrease in cost is reasonable.

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board approved Trinity Park Subdivision Pay Application #3 in the amount of \$81,000.00. As requested by the City Clerk, Marian Governor.

- Betty Sparkman Aye
- Regina Charlot Nay
- Kirk Kimball Aye
- Victor Pickich Aye
- Kenny Torgeson Aye

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board agreed to funding the third annual Neshoba County Fair ONE COAST DAY. The cost includes two hotel room for one night, use of City vehicle, and per diem - Mayor Rafferty and Community Affairs, Susan Putnam would depart July 31st and return August 2nd. The total cost would not exceed \$300 per person. This will continue to bring favorable notice to Pass Christian, our many events and strengthen our relationships along Coastal Mississippi as requested by Susan Putnam.

- Betty Sparkman Aye
- Regina Charlot Aay
- Kirk Kimball Aye
- Victor Pickich Nye
- Kenny Torgeson Aye

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Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Victor Pickich the Board unanimously agreed to having the City cover the cost of the use of the City vehicle and two nights’ hotel and per-diem for the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons to attend the Small-Town Conference in Vicksburg on October 9-10.

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Upon motion of Alderman Kenny Torgeson and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously declared July 5, 2024, as an additional legal holiday as declared by the Governor.

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NO ACTION TAKEN: Consider adopting an ordinance enlarging corporate limits for Friendly Annexation of land West of Lady Mary Avenue, East of the Fort Henry Place Subdivision, and South of CSX Railroad owned by Mathews, Konke and Bellone.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved the Final Plat for Beau Reve Subdivision. The Final Plat was approved by the Planning Commission Board on 5/28/2024. (All lots will be compliant with the requirements of the City Development). As requested by Planning Tech, Jennifer Rivera.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Alderwoman Betty Sparkman and seconded by Alderman Kenny Torgeson the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda items 1 –9 below

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- 1. Approved the surplus/disposal of the following items (see attached list) some of these items were disposed of before I took over this department and will now be listed to be removed from inventory. As requested by Brad Manus. CA-1
- 2. Approved the membership of Billy Dauphin to MACE (MS Association of Code Enforcement). Membership is \$125.00. As requested by Mark Savasta. CA-2
- 3. Approved Mark Savasta and Billy Dauphin to attend the MACE (MS Association of Code Enforcement) 2024 Educational Conference on August 14-16th, 2024. The conference will be held in Biloxi MS. The fee for the conference is \$175.00 each and the use of a City Vehicle is requested. As requested by Mark Savasta. CA-3
- 4. Accepted Chief Woodman's request to send FF Jeff Klemmer to MSFA for FIRE SERVICE MANAGEMENT August 12th to 15th, 2024. The cost of the class is \$415.00, per diem of \$150.00 and the use of a City Vehicle. As requested by Chief Dia'Mond Woodman. CA-4
- 5. Accepted Chief Woodman's request to send FF Jeff Klemmer to MSFA in Pearl MS for FIRE INSPECTOR 1033. The class begins on July 8 through July 18, 2024. The cost of the class is \$370.00, per diem of \$260.00 and use of a city vehicle. CA-5
- 6. Accepted Chief Woodman's request to accept resignation from PT FF Gina Strickland, effective June 28, 2024. Pay her any comp-time and vacation per the City Policy. CA-7
- 7. Accepted Chief Woodman's request to remove from the Fire Department inventory items that are unrepairable / out of service. See attached item list. As requested by Chief Dia'Mond Woodman. CA-8

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8. Accepted Chief Woodman's request to purchase nozzles. This is a planned purchase approved for this fiscal year. Please find attached two quotes, with NAFECO being the best and lowest quote. CA-9
9. Approved the Oath of Office and bond for Olivia Lewis, Senior Accountant. CA-10

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 \$328,302.81 CD-1

Upon motion of Alderwoman Regina Charlot and seconded by Alderwoman Betty Sparkman the Board unanimously agreed to Adjourn.

Mayor

07-02-2024

Date

City Clerk

07-02-2024

Date