

MINUTES OF A REGULAR SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, HELD ON FEBRUARY 19, 2007, AT 7:00 P.M., IN THE CIVIC CENTER AUDITORIUM, 16327 LAKEVIEW, JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS.

The meeting was called to order with the following present:

Mayor Pro-Tem	Frances Wubbenhorst
Councilmember	Joyce Berube
Councilmember	Greg Holden
Councilmember	Ernie English
Councilmember	Jill Klein
City Manager	Mike Castro
City Attorney	Kenneth Wall
City Secretary	LaKeisha Cannon-Scott

Absent: Mayor Ed Heathcott.

Additional Staff in attendance: Finance Director Isabel Kato, Director of Parks and Recreation Michael Brown, Police Officer D.R. Smith, Public Works Director Danny Segundo, and Fire Chief Mark Bitz.

The invocation was given by Mayor Pro-Tem Frances Wubbenhorst and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Frances Wubbenhorst.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Jim Fields, 16413 St, Helier, addressed Council and stated his concerns regarding code enforcement.

Nan Fuelber, 16518 Village Drive, addressed Council and stated her concerns regarding the unsightliness of the Golf Course equipment area.

Mary Ormston, 39 Parkway Place, addressed Council and stated her concerns regarding the noise from the mowers during early hours at the Golf Course.

Nancy Bolleter, 15805 Congo Lane, addressed Council and stated her concerns regarding the increased traffic and speeding on Congo.

Kay Henry, 15601 Singapore Lane, addressed Council and stated her concerns regarding the increased traffic on Solomon.

Evelyn Boriskie, 15801 Congo Lane, addressed Council and stated her concerns regarding the increased traffic on Solomon.

Ed Bluestone, 15717 Australia Street, addressed Council and stated his concerns regarding the increased traffic on Australia.

Karl Leland, 15701 Australia Street, addressed Council and stated his concerns regarding the increased traffic on Australia.

Joe Brothers, 15710 Australia Street, addressed Council and stated his concerns regarding traffic control and cut-through traffic on Singapore. He had additional comments regarding Jersey Village participating in a recycling program.

Tracy Wright, 15602 Seattle Street, addressed Council and stated his concerns regarding barricades being placed on Solomon & Seattle due to the increased traffic.

Jeff Skweres, 15802 Singapore Lane, addressed Council and asked that they remove the barricades on Seattle.

Lynn Hooper, 15722 Acapulco, addressed Council and stated his concerns regarding cut-through traffic on Solomon and Seattle.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Mike Castro reported the following:

1. January 2007 Financial Statements for Monthly Fund Balance Comparison, Governmental Funds, Enterprise Funds, and Detail Collection Summary Report.
2. Departmental Request Report and Open Records Request Report for January 2007.
3. Fire & Emergency Services Departmental Report for January 2007.
4. Jersey Village Police, Activity Report, and Crime Prevention Unit Departmental Reports for January 2007.
5. Municipal Court Collection Report, Municipal Court Activity Report, and Municipal Court Courtroom Activity Report for January 2007.
6. Public Works Departmental Report for January 2007.
7. Combined Monthly and Annual Mileage Report.
8. Golf Course Monthly Report, Golf Course Financial Statements, and Golf Course Advisory Committee Attendance for January 2007.

A brief discussion ensued among Council & Staff regarding a possible recycling program for the city and code enforcement.

DOCKETED JOINT PUBLIC HEARING: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. Minutes of the January 15, 2007, Joint Public Hearing held at 7:00 p.m.
2. Minutes of the January 15, 2007, Regular Session held at 7:00 p.m.

B. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – RESOLUTION NO. 2007-3 – REMOVING DELINQUENT TAXES FROM THE TAX ROLL AND RECORDS. *Ms. Isabel Kato, Finance Director.*

C. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – RESOLUTION NO. 2007-4 – ENTERING INTO AN INTERLOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN A LOCAL GOVERNMENT COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM. *Ms. Isabel Kato, Finance Director.*

Councilmember Holden made the motion, seconded by Councilmember English, to approve Consent Agenda Items A through C as presented.

Voting “Aye” Councilmembers Wubbenhorst, Berube, Holden, English, and Klein.

Voting “No” None.

Passed 5 to 0.

MATTERS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

NEW BUSINESS

5. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – REGARDING SEATTLE STREET TRAFFIC CONCERNS. *Mr. Mike Castro, City Manager.*

City Manger Mike Castro gave a recap regarding the traffic concerns in the Seattle Street area and the possible placement of an additional barrier (gate).

Lengthy discussion ensued among Council and Staff regarding a proposed gate.

Council Liaisons Ernie English and Jill Klein will meet with Jersey Village citizens in order to establish a traffic committee to continue discussions and communication regarding the possible placement of an additional barrier (gate).

No Council action taken.

5. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – RESOLUTION NO. 2007-5 – ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LAW FIRM OF LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR & SAMPSON, LLP FOR THE

COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES. *Ms. Isabel Kato, Finance Director.*

Councilmember Holden made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Berube, to approve Resolution No. 2007-5.

Norman Nelson of Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP addressed Council and gave a brief presentation regarding their services for the collection of delinquent taxes.

A brief discussion ensued among Council and Mr. Nelson regarding the delinquent taxes collections.

Voting "Aye" Councilmembers Wubbenhorst, Berube, Holden, English, and Klein.

Voting "No" None.

Passed 5 to 0.

3. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – UPDATE REGARDING JOGGING TRAIL AROUND 43-ACRE DETENTION FACILITY. *Mr. Michael Brown, Parks & Recreation Director.*

Parks & Recreation Director Michael Brown gave a brief update regarding the proposed jogging trail around the 43-acre detention facility and the meeting discussion of the Parks & Recreation Committee.

A brief discussion ensued among Council and Staff regarding the proposed jogging trail.

An updated report will be given at the next Council meeting.

No Council action taken.

4. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – RESOLUTION NO. 2007-6 – AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO HOME PURCHASE STIPEND AGREEMENTS WITH VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL. *Mr. Mark Bitz, Fire Chief.*

Councilmember Holden made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Berube, to approve Resolution No. 2007-6.

Fire Chief Mark Bitz gave a brief overview regarding the approved budget item for the home purchase stipend. This item would allow the City Manager to enter into a contract with a possible candidate for the stipend.

A brief discussion ensued among Council and Staff regarding the approved budget item and amount for the stipend.

Voting "Aye" Councilmembers Wubbenhorst, Berube, Holden, English, and Klein.

Voting "No" None.

Passed 5 to 0.

5. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – RESOLUTION NO. 2007-7 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT FOR REHABILITATION OF WATER PLANT #3. *Mr. Danny Segundo, City Manager.*

Councilmember English made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Klein, to approve Resolution No. 2007-6.

Public Works Director Danny Segundo gave a brief overview regarding Water Plant #3.

A brief discussion ensued among Council and Staff regarding the approved budget item and amount for the stipend.

Voting "Aye" Councilmembers Wubbenhorst, Berube, Holden, English, and Klein.

Voting "No" None.

Passed 5 to 0.

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION – RESOLUTION NO. 2007-8 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, REQUESTING REFUND OF PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENTS. *Ms. Isabel Kato, Finance Director.*

Councilmember English made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Berube, to approve Resolution No. 2007-8.

Finance Director Isabel Kato gave a brief overview regarding the overpayments.

Voting "Aye" Councilmembers Wubbenhorst, Berube, Holden, English, and Klein.

Voting "No" None.

Motion Passed 5 to 0.

MAYOR'S ACTIVITY REPORT/COMMENTS

None

COUNCIL ACTIVITY REPORTS/COMMENTS

Councilmember Holden asked that the maintenance shed area at the Golf Course be addressed by Staff. He also asked that the mowing be scheduled at appropriate times. In addition, he stated his concerns regarding the barriers on Seattle disrupting the School traffic and drop-off/pick-up of the students.

Councilmember Berube made brief comments regarding the traffic concerns of the Seattle Street area.

Councilmember English stated the Court reports were very informative. He asked the Golf Course be publicized as much as possible. He asked that the residents be sheltered from the noise of mowing on the golf course in the early hours.

Councilmember Klein gave a brief report regarding the Holiday in the Park Event. She stated the next event is April 28th kicking off the next 50 years of Jersey Village. She made additional comments regarding the barriers on Seattle Street.

Mayor Pro-Tem Wubbenhorst thanked the activities of the Recreation and Events Committee. She also thanked Councilmembers Ernie English and Jill Klein for their service in working with citizens regarding the Seattle Street area.

Councilmember Berube made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Holdent, to adjourn the regular session.

Voting "Aye" Councilmembers Wubbenhorst, Berube, Holden, English, and Klein.

Voting "No" None.

Motion Passed 5 to 0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Minutes approved as submitted and/or corrected this the 19th day of March, A.D., 2007.

ATTEST:

Ed Heathcott
Mayor

LaKeisha Cannon-Scott
City Secretary