

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of the City of Freeport met on Monday, June 6th, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., at the Freeport Police Department, Municipal Court Room, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Norma M. Garcia
 Michelle Kent
 Fred Bolton
 Nicolasa Mireles
 Sandra Barbee

Staff: Jeff Pynes, City Manager
 Wallace Shaw, City Attorney
 Delia Munoz, City Secretary
 Nat Hickey, Property Manager
 Gary Pohl, Marshal
 Brian Davis, Fire Chief
 Ty Morrow, Police Chief
 Larry Fansher, Parks Director

Visitors: Jay Garcia Valentina Moreno
 John Stanford Lila Lloyd
 Dorothy Pirrung Jim Pirrung
 Joyce Adkins Daniel Schaeffer
 Annette Sanford Sam Reyna
 Christi Mercado Jerry Meeks

Call to Order.

Mayor Norma Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation.

Mr. Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Norma Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of approving the May 2nd & May 23rd, 2011 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilwoman Mireles, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved the May 2nd & May 23rd, 2011 Council Minutes.

Announcement: Hurricane Preparedness Seminar, June 7th, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at River Place.

Brian Davis, Fire Chief announced the Brazoria County Preparedness Committee will be hosting six (6) hurricane seminars throughout the county during the month of June. The very next seminar will be at River Place, June 7th, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. He encouraged all to attend the seminar and become informed.

Attending citizens and their business.

Annette Sanford welcomed the new council members. She reminded Council to keep honor, honesty and integrity while making decisions. Also stated that the new railroad crossing being constructed has 2 red lights facing downward at the water, in case of an emergency, it would not provide enough lighting.

Consideration of selecting the Mayor Pro Tem.

The two (2) qualified candidates for having the longest length of continuous service on the City Council are Councilwoman Mireles and Councilwoman Kent.

Councilwoman Barbree motioned to nominate Councilwoman Mireles as Mayor Pro Tem, seconded by Councilwoman Mireles, with all present voting 4 to 1, Council approved Councilwoman Mireles to be the Mayor Pro Tem. Councilwoman Kent opposed.

Consideration of approving a request from Brazosport Independent School District to drill an irrigation well at Brazosport High School.

Daniel A. Schaefer, Chief Financial Officer explained the irrigation well would be for irrigation purposes only. The City of Lake Jackson and the City of Clute have authorized the wells in their city. The school district will save approximately \$28,000.

Councilwoman Mireles expressed her concern on the City losing revenue.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilman Bolton, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved a request from Brazosport Independent School District to drill an irrigation well on Brazosport High School property.

Consideration of selling the City's interest on Block 780, Lots 15-16, Velasco Townsite, Tx. Id. 8110-3900-000, known as 1605-1607 North Ave. S.

On a motion by Councilwoman Mireles, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved selling the City's interest on Block 780, Lots 15-16, Velasco Townsite, Tx. Id. 8110-3900-000, known as 1605-1607 North Ave. S.

Consideration of re-advertising and setting a bid date for July 14, 2011 to Request For Proposals for the Disaster and/or Storm Recovery Monitoring.

On a motion by Councilman Bolton, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Chief Davis recommendation to re-advertise and set a bid date for July 14, 2011 to Request for Proposals for the Disaster and/or Storm Recovery Monitoring.

Consideration of re-advertising and setting a date for July 14, 2011 Requests for Developers Proposals on Block 60, Lot 1, Freeport Townsite, known as 331 West 2nd Street.

On a motion by Councilwoman Mireles, seconded by Councilwoman Barbee, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Mr. Pynes recommendation to re-advertise and set a bid date for July 14, 2011 for potential development agreements for on Block 60, Lot 1, Freeport Townsite, known as 331 West 2nd Street.

Consideration of authorizing Request for Proposals for engineering and bidding concrete construction adjacent to the Marina dry stacks building.

On a motion by Councilman Bolton, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Mr. Pynes recommendation to Request for Proposals for engineering and bidding concrete construction adjacent to the Marina dry stacks building.

Consideration of authorizing Request for Proposals for a ship store and restrooms construction.

On a motion by Councilman Bolton, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Mr. Pynes recommendation to Request for Proposals for a ship store and restrooms construction.

Work Session:

Discussion regarding the 100 year anniversary celebration logo.

Chief Morrow serving on the 100 Year Anniversary Committee stated that 18 logos had been submitted from Brazosport High School Art Students. The committee picked the top 5 logos. Residents have been voting on line for the logo of their choice.

Update on the Freeport Marina

Mr. Pynes reported that the Freeport Marina has 140 slips and 63 slips are currently leased. Angie Degetaire, Marina Director is constantly being asked if facilities are in place. She has a list of people waiting to dock at the Freeport Marina. Once the marina has its facilities, it will become more profitable.

Mayor Norma Garcia closed the Formal Session and opened the Executive Session at 6:35 p.m.

Executive Session:

Section 551.071

Consultation with City Attorney concerning pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or other matters in which his duty to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551, Government Code, to wit:

- Laws Relating to Rules of Procedure and Ethics.
(no action taken)

Section 551.074

Deliberations concerning the evaluation, and duties of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, to wit:

- City Manager
(no action taken)

Adjourn

Mayor Norma Garcia closed the Executive Session and reconvened in Open Session at 7:30 p.m. On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilwoman Mireles, with all present voting "aye", the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Norma Garcia

City Secretary, Delia Munoz