

**TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2006

I CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of South Padre Island, Texas was held on Wednesday, July 5, 2006 at the Convention Centre, 7355 Padre Boulevard. Mayor Robert N. Pinkerton Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. A full quorum was present: Aldermen Jim Hoff, Rick Ridolfi, Dr. Tara Rios Ybarra, Phillip Money and Jo Ann Evans.

Staff members present were Cate Ball, Fire Chief Clifford Rowell, Darla Honea, Robert Rodriguez, Jason Moody, Darla Lapeyre, Dan Quandt, Police Chief Robert Rodriguez, Corporal James Woodard, Raul Morales, Chuck Zebrowski, Paul Y. Cunningham Jr., Dewey P. Cashwell Jr., and Joyce Adams.

II PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Russell Judah commended the Public Works Department for having cleaned up the Town so quickly after the July 4th celebrations. He then asked why the Circle K locations were "immune" to citations (for littering).

Alderman Money referred to the July 4th fireworks display as having been "spectacular" and something to be proud of.

Alderman Ridolfi, recuperating from carotid artery surgery, stated he was a strong advocate for annual physical checkups.

IV PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

V COMMITTEE REPORTS

Written Committee Reports were distributed in the Board's agenda packages.

VI APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Ridolfi made a motion, seconded by Evans to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Items approved are as follow:

- a. Approve minutes: Regular Meeting June 21, 2006
- b. Approve invoices for payment: invoices were paid by General Fund checks numbered 080520 through 080711 (080523 and 080524 were voided) for a total of \$ 292,851.70.

VII DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE BEACH AND DUNE PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE FAMILY HOME ON LOT 2, BLOCK 3, THE SHORES (BALL)

Lengthy discussion was held.

Ridolfi made a motion, seconded by Hoff to approve the Beach and Dune Permit, as submitted, for the construction of a single family home on Lot 2, Block 3, The Shores. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pinkerton advised the City Attorney and City Manager to set up a meeting with the General Land Office to discuss the GLO comments regarding (their language) "feasible relocation of structures located within an eroding area of the beach".

VIII DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND BECOMING A LITTER FREE TOWN (RIOS YBARRA)

Alderwoman Rios Ybarra stressed the importance of educating the public to keep the Town clean.

Rios Ybarra made a motion, seconded by Evans, to develop a Clean City Public Awareness Campaign, with the Town being the coordinator.

Discussion was held:

- Alderwoman Evans volunteered to help with the Town's partnership with the Keep America Beautiful campaign. She added that enforcement and abatement were the two other keys to the success of the campaign.
- Alderman Money stated the Town needs to enforce its existing ordinance.
- City Manager Cashwell asked for citizens' input regarding "problem sites". He asked Alderwoman Rios Ybarra for more specifics. He stated that the CVB should be involved.
- Alderman Ridolfi asked the City Manager for "cost estimates".

Motion carried unanimously.

IX DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX PROJECT AND FUNDING METHODOLOGIES (CASHWELL)

Mayor Pinkerton pulled Item IX from the agenda, saying it would be placed on the Board's next agenda.

X DISCUSSION AND ACTION CONCERNING AWARDDING A BID FOR THE CONVENTION CENTRE REPAIR PROJECT (QUANDT)

Discussion was held comparing the two bids received, including (but not limited to), the qualifications of the two contractors, and the disparity of the bid totals:

- Rigney Construction and Development LLC, McAllen, Texas whose base bid was \$362,282.88 (plus alternates 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9) for a total of \$488,028.88; and
- Browning Construction Co. of San Antonio, whose base bid was \$ 750,000, (plus Alternates 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9) for a total of \$973,000.

Both contractors had submitted bid bonds.

Dan Quandt, CVB Executive Director, recommended the Board award the bid to Rigney Construction and Development LLC, in the amount of \$488,028.88 (which was under the budgeted amount.)

Ridolfi made a motion, seconded by Hoff to award the contract for the Convention Centre Repair Project to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Rigney Construction and Development LLC, of McAllen, Texas, in the amount of \$488,028.88. Motion carried unanimously.

XI DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 846, AMENDING THE FY 2005/06 BUDGET FOR THE CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU (QUANDT)

Ridolfi made a motion, seconded by Evans to approve Resolution No. 846, amending the FY 2005/06 Budget for the Convention and Visitors Bureau. Motion carried unanimously.

A true and correct copy of said resolution was placed in the Town's Resolution Book, entitled Resolution No. 846, and by reference hereto, included in these minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

XII ADJOURN

Mayor Pinkerton adjourned the meeting at 6:20 P.M.


JOYCE ADAMS, CITY SECRETARY



APPROVED:


ROBERT N. PINKERTON JR., MAYOR