

**City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 24, 2017 9:00 AM
Civic Center 105 N. 31st Street**

Present:

**Mayor William A. Cathey
Councilman Rex Putnal
Councilwoman Linda Albrecht**

Also Present:

**Mell Smigielski, City Administrator
Mary Harmon, Acct. Clerk
Police Chief Anthony Kelly
Fire Chief Danny Simmons**

Mayor Cathey called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Cathey sent condolences on behalf of the City of Mexico Beach to the family of former mayor Kathy Kingsland as she had passed away.

Lane Pugh and Kimberly Needham were present from Tranquil Harbour and offered the City a donation of \$15,000 to the fire department in exchange for the release of the City easement that was formerly the boat ramp. No action was taken at this time

Motion by Mr. Putnal and seconded by Mrs. Albrecht to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2017 regular council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeff Brittain of Dewberry Preble Rish was present to give an update to the council regarding the various projects currently going on in Mexico Beach. Mr. Brittain stated that the canal project is now at 100% completion.

City Administrator Smigielski provided an updated draft of the Beach Vendor Ordinance. The ordinance will be placed on the November 14, 2017 regular council meeting agenda for a first reading.

City Administrator Smigielski spoke to the council about a desire to stop doing Golf Cart inspections due to the Code Enforcement position being changed to part time. Discussion of the council ensued. An updated draft of an ordinance change will be presented at the November 14, 2017 regular council meeting.

City Administrator Smigielski spoke to the council about the bids that were received for the channel marker move, with \$7,500 being the lowest.

Motion by Mrs. Albrecht and seconded by Mr. Putnal to approve the channel marker move bid in the amount of \$7,500. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Kelly presented his monthly report to the council and call volume for the month. Chief Kelly also stated that he had an idea about a map for golf carts and placing the rules for golf carts on that map.

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Emergency Services Director/Fire Chief Simmons provided his report to the council and reminded the public of the Fire Assessment meeting that will be taking place on November 14, 2017 at 5pm.

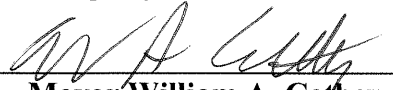
City Administrator Smigielski provided his report to the council. Mr. Smigielski requested the council appoint James Hogan to the Planning and Zoning board. Mr. Hogan was appointed without objection.

Mayor Cathey updated the public that he had hit a wall regarding the boat ramp, Duke Energy and the St. Joe Company, but we will continue working on it.

Mrs. Albrecht made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Putnal seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

By:



Mayor William A. Cathey

Attest:



Adrian Welle, City Clerk