

CITY OF INGLESIDE ON THE BAY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 21, 2007

- I. City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Foster at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Silent prayer was observed.
- III. Mayor Foster led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Roll Call: Present were: Mayor Foster, Alderman Gillespie, Garbutt, Ehmann, Morgan and Watson.
- V. Minutes of Previous City Council Meeting of July 17, 2007 were approved as read.
Minutes of Previous City Council Workshop of August 7, 2007 were approved as corrected.

- VI. Costal Bend Council of Governments Report was given.
Treasurers Report was given

- VII. Chief Appraiser Rufino H. Lozano gave a very informative presentation concerning how appraisals are done, exemptions and how the appeals process works. Questions from the citizens were answered.
Citizen Participation was held.
Wayne Jewell stated his views of the garage/shed being build with no house, existing buildings should be left alone.

- VIII. Reports from Standing Committees

Item A: Planning & Zoning reported a public hearing will be held at 6 p.m. and a meeting at 7 p.m. on August 23rd.

Item B: Parks & Recreation reported a meeting will be held on the first Saturday of September at 8:30 a.m., the budget for P&R will be prioritized.

Item C: VFD stated the department responded to a call involving a death, the departments' thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Item D: Emergency Management reported a meeting was held on August 7th, a couple of causes of concern occurred but no crisis status was declared. In the event of a mandatory evacuation the VFD will help notify the citizens by loud speaker on the truck.

Ad Hoc:
Item A: Funds and Grants reported a meeting was held, but the committee is still getting established.

- IX. **Old Business:**

Item A: Discuss and Possible Action concerning possible Ordinance Relating to Taxation of Telecommunications Services
Mayor Foster gave a brief update. Discussion occurred concerning how the taxes would be identified for IOB and if the city could get it's own zip code. Alderman Gillespie made the motion to remove

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this from the agenda until such time as the city gets it's own zip code. Alderman Watson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item B Discuss and Possible Action concerning permitting new construction of garages, shed, etc., on residential lots to include the recall of all permits currently in process for review
Alderman Morgan stated this was discussed at the workshop with the decision made to set up procedures for permits. Alderman Morgan made the motion to create a policy on permitting new construction and remodeling. Alderman Gillespie seconded the motion. Discussion continued on sheds and garages already covered under current ordinances. Types of buildings were discussed. The motion passed unanimously.

Item C: Discussion and Possible Action concerning short term rentals (less than 30 days) of property within the city limits of IOB

Alderman Morgan stated that he sees most of the citizens are against short term rentals. Discussion was held concerning redoing ordinances to include better clarification of definitions.

Item D: Discuss 2007-2008 Budget

1. Possible Action concerning percentage of Protest Values for Calculation
Purposes of Effective Tax Rate

Mayor Foster reviewed the tax information received from the County. Alderman Ehmann made the motion to use the numbers including 100% of the Protest Values for Calculation Purposes. Alderman Garbutt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item E: Discuss possible change of scope of road project.

Alderman Garbutt explained the limestone costs and how much was needed on the roads. No action was needed. Alderman Garbutt made the motion to remove this item from the agenda. Alderman Ehmann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

X. New Business

Item A: Open mowing bids

1. Discuss and possible action to approve or disapprove any mowing bids received

The City Secretary stated no bids have been received. No action was taken.

Item B: Discussion and Possible Action concerning the policy and procedures for issuing permits and the possible reassignment of the process to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Alderman Morgan stated the new policy put forth should cover this item. Alderman Morgan made the motion to remove this item from the agenda. Alderman Garbutt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item C: Discussion and Possible Action on the Renting of maid quarters, servant's quarters, garage apartments or any other structure that fails to meet the requirement of the city

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Alderman Morgan felt an agreement should be included in an ordinance. Alderman Ehmann state an ordinance already covers this . Alderman Gillespie made the motion to table this item until the next workshop. Alderman Garbutt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item D: Discussion and Possible Action to repeal the decision that removed Reports and or Announcements from Council from the City Council Meeting Agenda

Alderman Gillespie explained his reasons for asking to have the Reports and or Announcements put back on the agenda. Mayor Foster stated the TML response she received stated generalized items on an agenda did not give the residents enough information, items needed to be specific. Reports can be put on the agenda if it is specific. No action was taken.

Item E: Discussion and Possible Action on the building construction at 609 Woodcrest

Tommy Pawly explained his intent for the property and building located at 609 Woodcrest. The building has been inspected and does meet windstorm requirements. His intent is to build a single family residence. Plans will be submitted for permits. He requested Council's approval to be able to complete the building.

Mayor Foster gave a history of the previous owner's not having the proper permits for the building that was erected. There is no record of inspections. Any new owners would be in limbo until plans were approved. No new permits can be issued without plans.

Alderman Gillespie stated he remembered plans were submitted when the previous owners applied for a permit, he stated his views of the history of the building.

Discussion occurred about what was needed for the building.

Item F: Discussion and Possible Action to amend 2006-2007 Budget

Alderman Ehmann explained her views that the budget needs to be reviewed more often. Possibly quarterly or even monthly so amendments can be made in a timely manner. The information is available to all council members from the City Secretary. No action was taken.

XI. Mayor Foster adjourned the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted & attested:

Approved:

Diane Hosea
City Secretary

Cynthia B. Foster
Mayor