

CITY OF INGLESIDE ON THE BAY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 4, 2009

- I. City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Gillespie at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Alderman Ehmann gave the invocation.
- III. Mayor Gillespie led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Roll Call: Present were: Mayor Gillespie, Alderman Marroquin, Merrick, Ehmann, and Robbins. Alderman Morgan was absent.

- V. Minutes of Previous City Council Meeting of July 21, 2009 were approved as written.

- VI. Citizen Participation
Don Poenisch stated he felt the blue garbage containers were being underutilized; people should cut up their brush and put it in the containers, larger pieces can be used in fireplaces.
Bruce Thauburn thanked Council for all their work and all they have done; they are doing a great job. He went on to state he is selling his property, it must be sold in three weeks, anyone can make an offer.
Rhoda Poenisch stated rumors of what the tax appraisal people are doing are all over, she contacted Representative Todd Hunter's office and received a response stating the county is setting up settlement waiver sheets to continue the process of protesting property values and providing an opportunity for those who did not protest initially to begin dialogue as well. She also asked how to notify citizens of this information? Someone may have a solution to get the word out.

- VII. Reports from Standing Committees

Item A: Planning & Zoning reported the zoning report is still being worked on.

Item B: Parks & Recreation had no report.

Item C: VFD reported the compressor has been delivered. A fish fry and raffle for the quilt will be held on August 15th from 11-2 at \$6.00 a plate to raise funds.

- VIII. **Old Business:** Discussion and Possible Action

Item A: Discuss 2009-2010 Budget
No action was taken.

Item B: Discuss 2009 Tax Rate
No action was taken.

- IX. **New Business:** Discussion and Possible Action
Item A: Approve/Disapprove City of Ingleside's request for reimbursement of 2008 Elections
Mayor Gillespie stated he received a letter from the City of Ingleside requesting Ingleside on the Bay's share of the election costs. A gentleman's agreement was made at the time of negotiating with the county to provide the machines and personnel for the elections. Alderman Marroquin and Former

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Mayor Alfred Robbins confirmed the agreement had been made. The cost of the machines made the elections very expensive it was agreed to hold combined elections with Ingleside and Ingleside Independent School District and IOB with the county furnishing the machines and personnel. The three entities would split the cost of the elections whether they held an election or not. Discussion of the difference in cost of previous elections and the latest one, negotiating for future elections to have this agreement in writing. Treasurer Tom Merrick stated the funds are available in the budget. Alderman Marroquin made the motion to pay the \$1310.50 to Ingleside for IOB's share of the election. Alderman Merrick seconded the motion. The motion passed with Aldermen Marroquin, Merrick and Ehmann voting in favor and Alderman Robbins voting against the motion.

Item B: Approve/Disapprove Joint Hosting of Texas Municipal League (TML) Quarterly Meeting with the City of Ingleside

Alderman Robbins asked if the City could afford to co-host a TML Meeting. Alderman Ehmann stated the City's contribution would not be in city monies, but in donations received from businesses in the area. Discussion occurred concerning where to get donations and where it would be held. But the option to co host needed to remain open until further information was received. Alderman Ehmann made the motion to remove this item from the agenda. Alderman Marroquin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. No other action was taken.

Item C: Approve/Disapprove Ordinance No. 2009-08 Authorizing the operation of Golf Carts on public streets under certain conditions; repealing Ordinances in conflict; providing for severance; providing a penalty; and providing for publication

Input from citizens included the advantages of golf carts for the community, the friendlier atmosphere they portray, the savings in gas and road maintenance, the conservation issue, they are used by individuals who help work around the city and they are just plain fun. The question of who would be allowed to drive them was asked. Mayor Gillespie read the ordinance.

Alderman Robbins made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2009-08. Alderman Ehmann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

X. Coastal Bend Council of Governments Report was given.

XI. Reports and Announcements

1. Update on CBCOG MAP

Alderman Ehmann stated the grant proposal was corrected and returned; hopefully more information will be available at the end of August.

2. Update on Water System Project

Alderman Marroquin stated the State has not released any fund yet; IOB is scheduled on the 2010 list for approvals.

3. Announcement of line strung across streets

Mayor Gillespie stated heavy duty fishing line has been found strung across city streets also the burglaries are being investigated.

XII. Mayor Gillespie adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

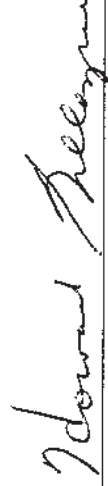
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Respectfully submitted & attested:



Diane Hosea
City Secretary

Approved:



Howard Gillespie
Mayor