

CITY OF INGLESIDE ON THE BAY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 17, 2012

- 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 Slusher, Merrick, Ehmann, Morgan and Robbins.

V. Minutes of Previous City Council Meeting of January 3, 2012 were approved as written.

VI. Treasurer Report was given.

VII. No Citizen Participation was heard.

VIII. Reports from Standing Committees

Item A: Planning & Zoning had no report.

Item B: Parks & Recreation reported a Valentine's Day Party will be held in February.

Item C: VFD reported the grant money for the new truck has been received. A donation from the Farm Bureau was received.

IX. **New Business:** Discussion and Possible Action

Item A: Approve/Disapprove Resolution 12-226 Calling for an Annual Election
Alderman Ehmann made the motion to approve Resolution 12-226 Calling for an Annual Election.
Alderman Slusher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item B: Approve/Disapprove possible removal of stop signs located at the intersection of North Sandpiper and Woodhaven

Input from citizens present was received. A list of signatures of citizens in favor of removing the stop sign was presented to council. Wayne Jewell, Ervin Strong, Don Poenisch, Tom Mack and Keith Regnier stated their opinions in favor of removing the stop signs. Ray and Diane Hanson stated their opinions to keep the stop signs in place. Dick Ehmann stated the stop sign are a safety issue, not a speeding issue. Something is needed to show it is a curve. Discussion occurred concerning the fact that most people do not stop for the signs. Alternatives for stop signs such as cautionary sharp turn signs with a lower speed limit posted was suggested. Looking into fixing the road to make it a more defined intersection was also suggested. Alderman Slusher made the motion to remove the two stop signs and immediately replace the signs with cautionary signs. Alderman Merrick seconded the motion. The motion passed with Alderman Slusher, Merrick, Robbins and Morgan voting in favor of the motion and Alderman Ehmann voting against the motion.

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Item C: Approve/Disapprove any and all matters concerning dogs running loose in the City
Alderman Ehmann stated she asked for this to be on the agenda because of the problem of dogs running loose. The County will not pick up loose dogs just because they are running. She has been looking for a solution; however, it is not encouraging for any easy solution. Any suggestions from citizens are welcome. Several citizens spoke up about problems they had with dogs running loose and the fact that the owners need to be held responsible. The suggestion to hand out information to new residents was made. Part of the problems seems to be dogs being dropped off in the city. Discussion continued concerning how to possibly find a solution for the loose dogs in the city. No action was taken.

X. New Business: Discussion only

Item A: Discuss Suzan Newman's letter stating her concerns of the street condition and speeding on Sunset

Ms. Newman explained her statements in the letter she wrote to City Council. Discussion occurred concerning the fact that Sunset will be repaired after the construction on Bayshore is finished and the large heavy trucks will no longer be making deliveries, the pot holes have been repaired, and what could be done to help with the speeding problem.

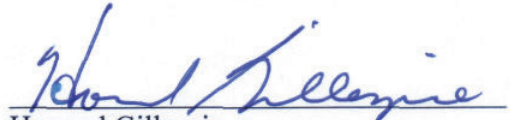
XI. Mayor Gillespie adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted & attested:

Approved:



Diane Hosea
City Secretary



Howard Gillespie
Mayor