

**CITY OF INGLESIDE ON THE BAY  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
December 11, 2018**

- I. City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ehmann at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Mayor Ehmann gave the invocation.
- III. Mayor Ehmann led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Roll Call: Present were: Mayor Ehmann, Alderman Young, Merrick, Hewitt, Gillespie and Robbins
- V. Minutes of Previous Public Hearing and City Council Meeting of November 6, 2018 were approved as written.
- VI. Citizen Participation  
LeAnn Franklin stated there is a problem with brush at the corner of Starlight and Oak Ridge; it is blocking the view to pull out of the street on to Starlight.
- VII. Reports from Standing Committees  
  
Item A: Planning & Zoning reported there will be a meeting Thursday at 7 p.m.  
  
Item B: Parks & Recreation reported the park is decorated and the parade will be Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.  
  
Item C: VFD reported Capt. Morin is leaving the VFD; Pam Smith will take over as Training Officer. Fire Chief Gillespie clarified a flyer for a tree lighting by the Dock Store was brought to his attention, it indicted the Ingleside Fire Dept. would participate. He checked into it and discovered the Ingleside Fire Chief did not know anything about it. IOB VFD should be the ones to provide a truck in that situation. Chief Loving agreed, they will only respond to fires. Chief Gillespie offered to bring the IOB VFD truck to the event, but the offer was declined.
- VIII. **New Business:** Discussion and Possible Action  
  
Item A: Approve/Disapprove pass through water rate increase of \$.02 per thousand gallons  
Mayor Ehmann explained the Water District raises their rates every January. Alderman Merrick made the motion to approve the pass through water rate of \$.02 per thousand gallons. Alderman Robbins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.  
  
Item B: Approve/Disapprove Noise Ordinance  
Mayor Ehmann stated this is a draft ordinance and is not ready to be passed. The issue could not be resolved by other means provided. The City's attorney is working on this. She asked Council if they wanted to pursue this. Alderman Young stated she felt it is needed, but would like to table it for

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further discussion. Alderman Robbins agreed. Alderman Hewitt agreed it needed a workshop. Alderman Gillespie asked if Planning and Zoning could work on it.

Hal George stated a workshop or Planning and Zoning are both good options.

Alderman Hewitt made the motion to table this item and schedule a workshop. Alderman Young seconded the motion.

Mayor Ehmann stated the public is invited to the workshop; it is an open meeting for discussion.

Brenda Duncan asked if the issue could be voted on in an election. Hal George stated our city cannot do that, only home ruled cities have that option. A question of a survey being previously done was brought up. Mayor Ehmann stated any survey done was by personal means and not set up as a city survey. The question if there was a conflict of interest with the ordinance and a member of council. Hal George stated there is only a conflict of interest if a business entity is involved, the rules do not apply to this situation. A statement was made that there are all kinds of noises all over, why do we need to pass this? Mayor Ehmann stated several issues have come up, this has been work on through other means and it just didn't work out.

Mayor Ehmann called for the vote on the motion to table this item and schedule a workshop... The motion passed unanimously.

Item C: Approve/Disapprove Change to the animal control agreement to allow for pick- up of stray animals

Mayor Ehmann explained the County is willing to amend the agreement to include picking up strays. It is a way to control dogs running loose. Not all are strays; people just let their dogs run. This option was not available in the original agreement. Tammy McCracken stated there is a vicious dog which has been reported and the County is not doing anything about it. It has been reported several times. Discussion occurred concerning the options for problem dogs and the fact that if there is a vicious dog the Sheriff's Dept. will respond. Alderman Gillespie made the motion to take no action at this time. Alderman Robbins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. Announcements/Reports

May 4, 2019 election announcement was given.

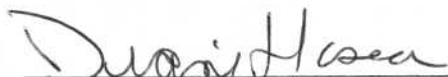
Harvey Recovery update was given.

Port of Corpus Christi revetment project was given.

X. Mayor Ehmann adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted & attested:

Approved:



Diane Hosea  
City Secretary



Jo Ann Ehmann  
Mayor