

**CITY OF INGLESIDE ON THE BAY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 7, 2020**

- I. City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ehmann at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Mayor Ehmann led the Pledge of Allegiance. Polly Garbutt gave the invocation.
- III. Roll Call: Present were: Mayor Ehmann, Alderman Cain, Nyberg, Wilder and Robbins. Alderman Gillespie was absent.
- IV. Presentation of lap tops to the VFD by Matthew Hunt from CenterPoint Energy. Mr. Hunt presented Fire Chief Gillespie with the lap tops.
- V. Minutes of Previous City Council Meeting of November 19, 2019 were approved as written.
- VI. Treasurer Report was given.
- VII. Citizen Participation
Ms. Sanders from the General Land Office explained about a small business program and left information for the program.

VIII. Reports from Standing Committees

Item A: Planning & Zoning reported a meeting was held on December 10th. The survey results were gone over; a workshop for the comprehensive plan is set for Feb 6th. The next meeting will be Jan 28th.

Item B: Parks & Recreation had no report.

Item C: VFD reported New Year's went well, a couple problems with fireworks, but mostly quiet. The lap tops will be used in the training room and in the command vehicle. A new command vehicle has been purchased with funds from MODA. The opportunity to bid on a newer truck occurred and the bid of \$6,800 was accepted. The new bunker gear is on order and the valves were purchased using the funds the Beach Club raised.

IX. New Business: Discussion and Possible Action

Item A: Approve/Disapprove resignation of Alderman Gillespie

Mayor Ehmann explained Alderman Gillespie turned in his resignation. Alderman Cain made the motion to accept Alderman Gillespie's resignation. Alderman Wilder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Item B: Approve/Disapprove to either set deadline for applications or leave vacant until election
Mayor Ehmann explained the vacant seat was up in May; either the vacant position can be filled by appointment or left vacant until the election. Information put out was not correct; Council needs to take action on the issue. Alderman Cain made the motion to fill the vacancy with a dead line for applications of Jan 31st for receipt of applications. Alderman Wilder seconded the motion. Discussion occurred with Alderman Nyberg asking that the time limit be Jan 21st instead of the 31st. Alderman Cain amended his motion to have the dead line on Jan 21st at 1:00 p.m. The motion passed with Alderman Cain, Nyberg and Wilder voted in favor of the motion. Alderman Robbins opposed the motion.

Item C: Approve/Disapprove Resolution 20-322 appointing Mayor Pro Tem
Alderman Wilder made the motion to appoint Ann Nyberg as Mayor-Pro-Tem. Alderman Cain seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item D: Approve/Disapprove Approve/Disapprove Resolution supporting the Development and Implementation of a Comprehensive Industrial Master Plan for San Patricio County
Mayor Ehmann explained the resolution. County Commissioner Gillespie added his explanation. There will eventually be a cost for the plan, but it should be minimal for the city, since we are small. Alderman Cain made the motion to adopt the Resolution supporting the Development and Implementation of a Comprehensive Industrial Master Plan for San Patricio County. Alderman Nyberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item E: Approve/Disapprove pass through water rate increase of \$.09 per thousand gallons from SPMWD
Mayor Ehmann explained this is an annual item in January. Alderman Robbins made the motion to approve pass through water rate increase of \$.09 per thousand gallons from SPMWD. Alderman Cain seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item F: Approve/Disapprove Resolution 20-324 Calling for an Annual Election
Alderman Wilder made the motion to approve Resolution 20-324 Calling for an Annual Election. Alderman Nyberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.


X. Updates/reports

- Street signs Alderman Wilder stated this was still being worked on, Polly Garbutt asked about the problem with vehicles driving into the canal on S Starlight. Fire Chief Gillespie stated signs have been bought to warn of a 90 degree turn on that street and will be in place by the end of the weekend.

XI. Mayor Ehmann adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted & attested:



Diane Hosea
City Secretary

Approved:



Jo Ann Ehmann
Mayor