

TOWN OF DAUPHIN ISLAND  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 17, 2013

The Town of Dauphin Island Town Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on December 17, 2013 in the Council Chambers at Town Hall. In addition to the Town Council and Town Attorney Bob Campbell there were approximately seven (7) residents and property owners in attendance.

Mayor Jeff Collier called the meeting to order and invited all present to rise and repeat in unison the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States. Town Clerk Nannette Davidson called roll. A record of the results is recorded as follows:

Position	Attendance
Councilmember Stephen Denmark	Present
Councilmember Mary Thompson	Present
Councilmember Philip Patronas	Absent
Councilmember Shirley Robinson	Present
Councilmember Clinton Collier	Present
Mayor Jeff Collier	Present

A quorum having been achieved, action was taken on the following topics.

ADOPT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Mary Thompson and seconded by Shirley Robinson to approve the preliminary agenda as the official agenda for the December 17, 2013 meeting. The motion was approved with all members present voting yes.

MINUTES: December 3, 2013 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Shirley Robinson and Mary Thompson seconded to accept the minutes of the December 3, 2013 regular meeting as distributed. The motion carried with all members present voting yes.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES:

Bills in the amount of \$174,511.82 were presented for approval to pay. A motion was made by Shirley Robinson to approve the bills as presented and seconded by Stephen Denmark. The motion passed with all members present voting yes. A copy of the bills is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Police Department:

Shirley Robinson gave a report outlining the Police Department activities since the last meeting. A copy of Chief Kym Claw's report is attached and becomes part of these minutes.

Public Works Department:

Philip Patronas gave a report of activities of the Public Works department. The Superintendent has identified several vehicles and equipment items as being surplus to the operation of the department and has requested they be sold. A resolution to that affect will be voted on later in this meeting.

Council:

A meeting with the Jaycees has been rescheduled for a future date. There is no report available on the lease potential for the Aloe Bay properties.

OLD BUSINESS #1: Invoices over \$1,000.00

Invoices over the \$1,000.00 amount were presented for payment and include the following:

AMIC	Portion of Liability Insurance	\$20,665.15
AT&T	Telephone Service & Equipment	\$1,158.16
Beard Equipment	Equipment Repairs	\$2,469.41
Jode Esfeller	Hazard Mitigation Pass Thru	\$59,166.00
Taylor Harper	Professional Services – Lobbyist	\$1,500.00
Timber Tree	Tree Removal & Banner Switch	\$1,000.00
Treadwell Ford	Vehicle Repair – F150 Truck	\$1,904.30
Regions	Warrant Pmt – Police Building	\$2,316.86
Regions	Warrant Pmt – Long Term Financing	\$14,881.07
RSA	Retirement Premiums	\$8,394.21
Direct Communications	Professional Services – Publicity	\$5,200.00
Town of Dauphin Island	Reimbursement for Professional Services – Publicity	\$9,798.88

A motion was made by Mary Thompson and seconded by Shirley Robinson to approve the invoices over \$1,000.00 as submitted. The motion carried with all members present voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS #2: Sales Tax Holiday Ordinance Second Reading

Mayor Jeff Collier accomplished the second reading of Ordinance 95-A authorizing the exemption of sales taxes on certain “covered items” related to preparing for severe weather from February 21 to February 23, 2014. A motion was made by Stephen Denmark and seconded by Mary Thompson to adopt Ordinance 95-A as read. Mayor Jeff Collier requested a roll call vote. The results are listed below:

Councilmember Stephen Denmark	Yes
Councilmember Mary Thompson	Yes
Councilmember Philip Patronas	Absent
Councilmember Shirley Robinson	Yes
Councilmember Clinton Collier	Yes
Mayor Jeff Collier	Yes

The motion carried with all members present voting yes. The ordinance will be effective after the posting requirements are completed.

OLD BUSINESS #3: Property Lease/Rent Proposal

Clinton Collier moved to table action on this item until after an executive session is held. Shirley Robinson seconded and the motion carried with all members present voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS #4: ADA Compliance

Town Attorney Bob Campbell is researching the responsibilities of the Town Inspection Department concerning ADA compliance and inspection requirements.

OLD BUSINESS #5: RFP Computer IT Services

Mary Thompson moved to authorize Town staff to develop and advertise for an RFP for Computer IT services for all Town computer issues. Stephen Denmark seconded and the motion carried with all members present voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS #6: Business License Fee Waiver

Clinton Collier moved to waive the business license fee for the Dauphin Island Veterans Association (DIVA). Shirley Robinson seconded and the motion carried with all members present voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS #1: Resolution Declaring Surplus Equipment and Vehicles

Clinton Collier moved to adopt resolution 2013-12-17 declaring certain vehicles and equipment as surplus to the operation of the Town of Dauphin Island and place them for bid or sale. Stephen Denmark seconded and the motion carried with all members present voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS #2: Signs on Town Right-of-Ways

A survey is in progress to determine whether signs or other items may be located on Town right-of-ways along Bienville Boulevard and LeMoyne Drive in violation of the Sign Ordinance 71. The Council will need to develop a method/procedure to handle these non-compliant items as we move forward.

NEW BUSINESS #3: Reschedule Meeting

The January 20, 2014 agenda meeting falls on the Martin Luther King Day Holiday and Clinton Collier moved to reschedule that meeting to January 21 at 6:00 p.m., just prior to the 7:00 p.m. Council meeting. Mary Thompson seconded and the motion carried with all members present voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS #4: Ordinance 93-B Permit Fees

Mayor Jeff Collier accomplished the first reading of the proposed changes to the Permit Fee Ordinance 93-B.

NEW BUSINESS #5: Voting Site

The Dauphin Island Baptist Church representatives have notified the Town of their decision to no longer offer the church building as a polling location. The Dauphin Island United Methodist Church has agreed to allow the use of the Christ Life building for that purpose. Mary Thompson moved to accept the change to the voting site as outlined above. Clinton Collier seconded and the motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS #6: ADEM Contract 2013-2014

Clinton Collier made a motion to authorize Mayor Jeff Collier to sign the contract between the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) and the Town of Dauphin Island for beach monitoring services for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. Compensation to the Town will remain the same as last year at \$32,500.00. Shirley Robinson seconded and the motion was approved with all members present voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS #7: Island Mystics

The Island Mystics Mardi Gras association has requested the Town pay a portion of the cost of providing port-o-potties for their parade in February 2014. Shirley Robinson moved to deny the request as it could establish a precedence for other parade planners to request the same consideration. Clinton Collier seconded and the motion carried with all members present voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS #8: Tower Contract

Mary Thompson made a motion to table action on this item until an executive session is held. Stephen Denmark seconded and the motion was approved with all members present voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS #9: West End Beach – Scott Douglass

With the erosion that is occurring on the west end beach, the Town Council requested South Coast Engineers (Scott Douglass) to develop a proposal for a solution. Mr. Douglass has proposed the Town authorize up to \$5,000.00 to move forward with a preliminary permit review of such a protective barrier for that public area. Clinton Collier so moved and Shirley Robinson seconded. The motion carried with all members present voting yes.

DISCUSSION:

Sam Mason attended a meeting of the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Trustee Council (NRDATC) and asked that Council members and concerned citizens to write to the council with their concerns about Dauphin Island projects not being included in the initial round of projects being considered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mary Thompson to go into executive session to discuss contract negotiations and executive privilege. Shirley Robinson seconded the motion. Town Attorney Bob Campbell stated in the open meeting that the reasons stated were good and reasonable topics for discussion in executive session and satisfy the requirements of the amended Open Meetings Law. The meeting is expected to last approximately fifteen (15) to twenty (20) minutes.

Councilmember Stephen Denmark	Yes
Councilmember Mary Thompson	Yes
Councilmember Philip Patronas	Absent
Councilmember Shirley Robinson	Yes
Councilmember Clinton Collier	Yes

Mayor Jeff Collier

Yes

All members of the Council who were present voted to approve holding the executive session.

The Council went into executive session at 8:53 p.m.

The Council came back into regular session at 9:03 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS # 8: Tower Contract

Mary Thompson moved to authorize Town Attorney Bob Campbell to move forward as instructed in executive session on a tower contract. Stephen Denmark seconded the motion which carried with all members present voting yes.

There being no further business before the Council, Shirley Robinson made a motion to adjourn and Mary Thompson seconded. The motion carried with all members present voting yes. The meeting ended at approximately 9:15 p.m.

Respectively Submitted:

ATTESTED TO:

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Nannette Davidson, Town Clerk

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Jeff Collier, Mayor