

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TOWN OF BAYVIEW, TEXAS
104 S. San Roman, Bayview, Texas
December 16, 2021**

Elected officials present: Mayor Paris, Mayor Pro Tem Steenbock, Alderman Lewis, Alderman Evans and Alderman Heinz

Elected officials absent: Alderman Najera

Regular Meeting

A. Mayor Paris called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

B. Mayor Paris led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Mayor Paris welcomed everyone and mentioned he attended a Madison Grove meeting explaining that many of the residents are using “Starlink” as their internet and is working great for them. He also discussed the issue of Republic Services not picking up their brush piles and that they were wanting to know if the Town would pay for this. He further explained to them that each home owner had their own contract with Republic Services and the Town did not pay for it. The brush service is included in each residents’ contract.

D. *Public comments and announcements:* Mayor Paris stated, “this is now the opportunity for our citizens to address the Town Council on matters relating to Town business, issues, concerns or interests, including any items that are on the agenda. Speakers are required to state their names for the record and to limit their comments to three minutes. Note: State law does not permit the mayor/aldermen to discuss debate or act on items that are not on the agenda. Persons making comments and announcements may be referred to Town Staff for follow up or to have items placed on the agenda for a future town meeting.” NONE

Old Business

1. *Discussion update on Spectrum Contract.* Mayor Paris reported the attorney will be drafting the letter to the FCC and upon getting it, he will forward it. Discussion was held on Starlink and the positive response from residents using it. It was also suggested from the discussion to complete the contract with Spectrum through June or July 2022 and then consider changing the Town internet to Starlink.

2. *2022 Road Repair Program.* Lengthy discussion was held on several roads needing repairs and prioritizing the needs. It was decided to form a committee asking for volunteers from the residents and set up a list.
3. *Discussion on revision of Town Ordinances.* Mayor Pro Tem Steenbock reported he sent out revisions to the aldermen and asked for feedback so he can go forth. Discussion was held on adopting the section of 105.2 in the Building Codes, other Building Code requirements needed in the wording of the Town Ordinances and the revisions needed to be made.

NEW BUSINESS

4. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting the taking Frances McDuff, 124 N San Roman, Bayview, Texas situation to the Building and Standards Commission.* After brief discussion, Alderman Heinz made the motion that if the goats are still on the property by Monday, December 20, 2021 that the Sheriff be called to pick them up and if the brush and weeds on right of way is not resolved by January 10, 2022 for Mayor Paris to submit this to the Building and Standards Commission. Second: Alderman Lewis. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting the November 18, 2021 Regular Board of Aldermen Minutes.* Mayor Pro Tem Steenbock made the motion to approve the November 18, 2021 Regular Board of Aldermen Minutes as presented. Second: Alderman Lewis. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting the current financial reports with current projected balances.* Mayor Pro Tem Steenbock made the motion to approve the current financial reports with current projected balances as presented. Second: Alderman Heinz. All in favor. Motion carried.
7. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting the current Building Inspector's Report for November 2021.* Alderman Lewis made the motion to approve the Building Inspector's report for November 2021 as presented. Second: Alderman Evans. All in favor. Motion carried.
8. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting the OSSF Inspector's Report for November 2021.* Pro Tem Mayor Steenbock made the motion to approve the Building Inspector's report for November 2021 as presented with having him also include the open permits that have not been completed. Second: Alderman Heinz. All in favor. Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items – Any current member of the board in good standing may add one agenda item to the agenda of a future meeting specified by that Alderman. No agenda item added by an Alderman may be removed, altered or modified without the written consent of the alderman adding the agenda item unless the language or content of the agenda item conflicts with state or local laws.

Alderman Lewis – stated to discuss and take action on Starlink.

Discussion Items

1. *Resident complaints.* Carmen reported Mrs. McDuff came in to complaint that a neighbor cut her trees without her approval into her property. Mayor Paris reported about an anonymous letter received reporting 163 N Valencia wanting to know about the assessment of the property there. Mayor Pro Tem Steenbock reported on a complaint on the rental house grass on FM 510 that was left in a mess. Alderman Lewis reported she received a complaint about a pig farm on Shafer Road.
2. *Fees for major renovations of residential houses.* Mayor Paris reported that it was discussed earlier.
3. *Emergency Management update.* Alderman Lewis asked that Carmen sent out an email for volunteers in January 2022 for Emergency Management Recovery Team for the next hurricane season. Mayor Pro Tem Steenbock reported he had spoken to Norwell where the switch was ordered for the generator and that it should be coming in February 2022.
4. *Bayview Beautification Day.* It was decided not to have a Beautification Day for December 2021.
5. *Report from Building and Standards Commission.* Susan Heinz, Secretary of Building and Standards Commission, reported there is nothing at this time.

ADJOURN

Alderman Heinz made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Second: Alderman Evans. All in favor. Motion carried.

Gary E. Paris, Mayor

Carmen I. Amaya, Secretary

