

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
TOWN OF BAYVIEW, TEXAS  
104 S. San Roman, Bayview, Texas  
May 18, 2023**

**Elected officials present:** Mayor Paris, Mayor Pro- Tem Steenbock, Alderman Lewis, Alderman McNabb, and Alderman Najera

**Elected officials absent:** Alderman Heinz

**REGULAR MEETING**

- A. Mayor Paris called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- B. Mayor Paris led everyone into the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Mayor Paris welcomed everyone and stated he had quite a few things he would like to go over. He began by thanking the residents of Bayview and Republic Services for the storm damage pick-up after the past two storms that came through the town. He also reported that the Town Secretary and her husband attended a meeting sponsored by the county and state on Mosquito Abatement and what could be available for local cities. He also stated the Appraisal District want him to share that the appraised values for the county have gone up over 32% from last year, the average home sale in the county is \$280,634.00. He stated the Appraisal District is aware that current market conditions are not the same as they once were and because the values are still rising the Appraisal District felt they could sustain the comments on the increased evaluations.

Finally, the Mayor discussed the election, he thanked the volunteers, and stated he was very displeased with the negative campaigning.

- D. Public Comments and Announcements: *This is an opportunity for citizens to address the Town Council on matters relating to Town business, issues, concerns, or interest, including items 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 place on the agenda for a future Town meeting.*

Jim Bush 133 W Resaca Rd: Presented the idea to the Board that according to the US Geological Survey maps, part the road signed Poco Parte is actually County Road 513, and the reluctance of the County to maintain might be due to the road crossing over an old Oxbow Lake (from Resaca de los Cuates). Mr. Bush further suggested the Town meet with the county road engineers (not management) about repairing bad spots.

Jim Bush also presented another idea to the Board that affects essentially all the residents of Bayview that live along a Resaca. Practically all the property boundary lines along the Resaca have overlaps into or away from the Resaca. He suggests coordinating with the Irrigation District and possibly a small amount of title search establishing who owns the Resaca, to record a simple page document that gives residents the freedom to adjust their property line to fit correctly along the Resaca. corner of his land is a corner of a triangle over the water of the Resaca, and the opposite side corner is inside the shoreline of his property

Jesus Hernandez, 106 Centerline Rd: He expressed his concerns of having apartment complexes and subsidized housing into the town of Bayview. He (and he feels other residents) moved to Bayview for peace and quiet. He also stated he was in law enforcement for 27 years and has hands on experience and feels apartments complexes and subsidized housing would bring crime into the town of Bayview with increased population, less peace and quiet and increase taxes

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Resolution of canvassing returns and declaring results of a general election for the purpose to elect two Aldermen members (Place 2 and Place 3). Alderman Najera made the motion to approve the canvassing returns and declare the results of the general election of 5/6/2023 as presented by the Town Secretary. Second: Mayor Pro-Tem Steenbock. Abstained: Alderman Lewis. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. *Administration of Oath of Office.* The Oath of Office was administered to Jeneria Lewis for Alderman Place 2 and Shelby McNabb for Alderman Place 3. Both candidates signed the sworn affidavits and signed the notary public book of Cynthia Steenbock, Notary Public, State of Texas.
3. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting replating request from Eric Vasquez of approximately 3.54 acres: Block 16, Section 3, Bayview Citrus Groves, Unit 7.* Mr. Vasquez presented his request to the BOA for replating of approximately 3.54 acres: Block 16, Section 3, Bayview Citrus Groves, Unit 7 for approval to build two homes on the property in question after purchase. The BOA reviewed and discussed the plat for subdivision of two lots. Alderman Lewis made the motion to approve the platted 2 lot subdivision as presented by Eric Vasquez. Second: Alderman Najera. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting Board approval for existing Intermodal Shipping Containers for Property Owners at 121 W San Jose Ranch Rd.* Property owner of 121 W San Jose Ranch Rd sent a letter to BOA regarding the shipping container located on their property. After review of the letter and discussion by the BOA. Alderman Najera made the motion to approve the existing Intermodal

Shipping Container located at 121 N San Jose Ranch Rd as is, since it falls within the Intermodal Shipping Container Ordinance. Second: Alderman McNabb. All in favor. Motion carried.

5. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting the April 20, 2023, Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes.* Alderman Lewis made the motion to approve the April 20, 2023, Regular Board of Alderman Meeting Minutes. Second: Alderman Najera. Abstained: Alderman McNabb. 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 report with projected balances. Second: Alderman Najera. All in favor. Motion carried.
7. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting the current Building Inspector's Report for the month of April 2023.* Alderman Lewis made the motion to approve the Building Inspector's Report as presented. Second: Alderman McNabb. All in favor. Motion carried.
8. *Discussion and possible action approving or rejecting the current OSSF Inspector's Report for the month of April 2023.* Alderman Lewis made the motion to approve the current OSSF Inspector's report for the month of April 2023 including payment of \$600.00 for completed inspections. Second: Alderman Najera. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. *Road Plan Update.* Mayor Paris met with the engineer Mr. Brown. The Mayor was informed by Mr. Brown that his company has been sold to a firm in Houston. Mr. Brown informed the Mayor the contract with the Town of Bayview will be honored no change in fees. Mayor Paris stated he will drive the town with Mr. Brown to look at roads in need of repair and present estimates at the June BOA Meeting.

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 requested to add a discussion of the Resaca Property Boundaries to be presented by Jim Bush.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. *Noise Ordinance.* Alderman Lewis stated she has received calls from two different residents regarding a neighboring home that is being used as a weekend party home. The music is being played so loudly that it is shaking/rattling the neighboring residents' homes. The neighbors filed an incident report with the Sheriff's Department. The Town of Bayview does have a Noise Ordinance and BOA request the property owners with the loud noise be brought before Building and Standards Commission.
2. *Emergency Management Update.* Alderman Lewis stated we had a couple of wind events and Laguna Heights was hit by a tornado. The National Weather Service came to Bayview and stated Bayview did not officially have a tornado, but the event was right below tornado numbers. Alderman Lewis also stated she had received complaints by residents stating they did not receive emergency notification quickly enough for the wind events. Alderman Lewis stated she grew up in the Dallas area around tornados and windstorms and unfortunately it not possible to get more than a 2-to-5-minute warning. Hurricane Season starts June 1 thru November 30, 2023.
3. *Bayview Beautification Day.* Alderman Najera stated Beautification Day will be Saturday, May 26, 2023, meeting at the town at 8:30 a.m. Volunteers are needed and appreciated.
4. Report from the Building and Standards Commission. **NONE**

## **ADJOURN**

Alderman Najera made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m. Second: Alderman McNabb. All in favor. Motion carried.

Gary E. Paris  
Gary E. Paris, Mayor

Yvonne Bush  
Yvonne Bush, Secretary