

**CITY OF STAR HARBOR
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

APRIL 8, 2024

6:00pm

CITY HALL

PRESENT: Mayor Steve Watson, Councilmembers Kathy Martin, Bobby Hedge, John Adair and Tony Morrison. Councilman Tom Sherman was absent. There being a quorum present, Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The invocation was given by Councilman Morrison and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Watson. There were nineteen (19) in attendance at the meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

- Jackie Robinson had a police department inquiry that was dealt with prior to the meeting.

Consent Item/s:

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, seconded by Councilman Morrison, to dispense with the reading of the March council minutes and approve them as submitted. Approval for the motion was unanimous.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The City Secretary presented the monthly financial report with the following bank balances as of March 31, 2024, which were accepted and filed for audit:

	<u>CHECKING</u>	<u>CD'S</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
GENERAL FUND	\$950,144.69	\$ 79,101.72	\$1,029,246.41
UTILITY FUND	\$ 48,039.02	\$112,312.29	\$160,351.31
TOTAL:	\$ 998,183.71	\$191,414.01	\$1,189,597.72

A motion was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Hedge, to approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$31,660.70, which vote was unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

- Mayor Watson stated that the wastewater project bids were expected to be received by April 18th. After that date costs for options of building the city's wastewater plant or continuing service provided by the City of Malakoff will be presented.
- Street paving is planned to begin within 45 days beginning at 253 Shoreline Drive, Greenbriar and Big Oak Circle. One quote has been received and two additional quotes are being solicited for this street work.
- The Lakeside Drive drainage project has been completed.

- Thanks to tremendous efforts by B&Z Administrator, Tanya DeVaney, the city council now has a revision of the Building & Zoning ordinance for review. The city attorney will review prior to final approval.
- Residents are encouraged to vote in the upcoming Star Harbor election and to check out election details posted at City Hall and on the city's website. A "Meet the Candidate" forum is scheduled for Monday, April 15th, at 6pm at City Hall.

WATER PUMP IMPELLER:

Mayor Watson reported that the secondary water plant pump is limited to running at 30% capacity and requires replacement of the pump impeller. Due to the age of the equipment, the pump company no longer makes this piece of equipment, and the impeller has been special ordered and will be manufactured at a minimum cost of \$5500. A motion was made by Councilman Hedge, seconded by Councilman Morrison, to proceed with the purchase and installation. The vote was unanimously approved.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

POLICE DEPT. – Chief Commino was not in attendance. His written report showed 87 total calls for service in March with two (2) citations issued, five (5) warnings issued, one (1) suspicious person, one (1) suspicious vehicle, one (1) welfare concern, three (3) traffic controls, three (3) follow-up investigations, four (4) special assignments and two (2) alarm calls.

BUILDING & ZONING – Tanya DeVaney gave a report of activity of the B&Z Review Board for permits issued in March: a sidewalk at #18 Crescent Drive, a fence at #241 Shoreline Drive and a patio at #125 Sunset Blvd.

GOLF COMMITTEE – Gary Robertson reported on the irrigation project progress, reconstruction of bridges and the addition of resident Randy Pate as a valued addition to the committee.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- Jackie Robinson inquired about payables from July, 2023, when no monthly council meeting was held.
- Ginny Hedge asked the council to consider limiting access to the city's boat ramp area to residents only.
- Bobby Wright asked for volunteers for the Meals on Wheels program.
- John McKenney inquired about three bids for expenditures.

CONTRACTS/FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS APPROVED DURING MEETING:

- Purchase of the water plant pump impeller

The council adjourned into **Executive Session** at 6:30pm for the purpose of discussion of drainage projects.

The council reconvened back into an open session at 7:15pm, and there being no further business on the agenda adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

ADABETH ROUTT-SHUMATE
City Secretary