**CITY OF STAR HARBOR**
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 12, 2026** **6:00pm** **CITY HALL**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Hedge, Councilmembers Tom Sherman, Kathy Martin, David Pyke, John Adair and Tony Morrison. There being a quorum present, Mayor Hedge called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. The invocation was given by Councilman Sherman and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hedge. There were twenty-two (22) in attendance at the meeting.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

- None

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, seconded by Councilman Adair, to dispense with the reading of the September 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 September 30, 2026 which were accepted and filed for audit:

| | CHECKING | CD'S | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|
| **GENERAL FUND** | $345,729.82 | $238,095.03 | $583,824.85 |
| **UTILITY FUND** | $ 42,958.01 | $ 89,927.43 | $132,885.44 |
| **TOTAL:** | $388,687.83 | $328,022.46 | $716,710.29 |

A motion was made by Councilman Sherman, seconded by Councilwoman Martin, to approve payment of the current Accounts Payable in the amount of $42,757.23. The motion was unanimously approved.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

- Mayor Hedge reported that the city's drainage project is nearing completion. Work on Bayside Drive is progressing with street paving plans to begin in 2027.
- Golf course irrigation is again repaired, and the Golf Club Championship is underway.
- The police department and ESD #1 will have a presence in the city on Halloween night.

**OUTDOOR STORAGE FACILITY:**
After discussion of facility operating costs and consideration of future expansion, a motion was made by Councilman Sherman, seconded by Councilman Adair, to increase the city's Outdoor Storage Facility rates as follows: Annual lease - $500 and Quarterly lease - $135. Annual leases will continue to receive one month at no charge and increases will go into effect upon renewal of the current lease(s). The motion was unanimously approved.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT ORDINANCE/INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT:**
New TCOLE (Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Standards) requirements for police departments in the State of Texas were reviewed. A motion was made by Councilman Pyke, seconded by Councilman Adair, to approve Ordinance No. 184 which will discontinue the Star Harbor Police Department as a separate law enforcement agency and to continue contracting with the City of Log Cabin Police Department for law enforcement coverage. The vote was approved by unanimous vote.

A motion was then made by Councilwoman Martin, seconded by Councilman Sherman, to approve the three-year Interlocal Agreement with the City of Log Cabin for continuing police services in Star Harbor, which motion was unanimously approved.

**HALLOWEEN TRAFFIC PLANS:**
Resident Mark Smith is working with the police department for Halloween traffic plans. A QR code banner will be posted at the city's entrance which will provide a map of houses participating in "Trick or Treating" on Halloween evening. Currently fifteen (15) houses are listed as participating.

**STANDING COMMITEE REPORTS:**
**POLICE DEPT.** – Chief Sam Commino reported fifty-five (55) total calls for service in September with two (2) citations issued, six (6) warnings issued, one (1) suspicious vehicle, one (1) special assignment and one (1) animal complaint.

**BUILDING & ZONING REVIEW BOARD**– Whitney Paschal reported that there are currently five (5) active permits with no new permits issued in September.

**GOLF COMMITTEE** – Committee member, Kathy Martin, reported that the Club Championship continues through October.

**PICKLEBALL GROUP** - Committee member, Russell Nelson, reported that windscreens have been installed with more planned for installation. There are currently 32 Pickleball members. A feasibility study will be performed for lighting of the courts. A "Pickleween" event is scheduled for October 28th and all are invited to attend.

**SOCIAL GROUP** – Ginny Hedge reported that there are numerous Star Harbor items for sale that will benefit the group's efforts for city-wide social events. A Christmas Cookie Exchange is being planned with details to follow.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

- None

**PROJECT GROUP REPORTS:**

1. **BOAT RAMP** - Mayor Hedge – no additional report
2. **GOLF COURSE** – Councilwoman Martin - no additional report
3. **STREETS** – Councilman Morrison – no report
4. **DRAINAGE** – Councilman Sherman – no report
5. **REVENUE** – Councilman Adair – no report

There being no further business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**ADABETH ROUTT-SHUMATE**
**City Secretary**