

**SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS
August 30, 2017
2:00 PM**

(Note: This meeting was held pursuant to Section 551.045 of the Open Meetings Act regarding Special Emergency Meetings. An urgent public necessity existed because immediate action was needed by the City Council due to the impact of Hurricane Harvey.)

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Mark Denman, Councilmembers Don Matter, John Mahon, Bryce Klug, and Jonathan Amdur and Bob Wartens

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Sandra Mossman

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Dick Gregg Jr., City Manager Jason Reynolds, City Secretary Sandra Ham, Assistant City Manager Mary Chambers, Finance Director Csilla Stiles, Police Chief Kenneth Campbell, Fire Chief Tom George, Emergency Management Coordinator Jamie Galloway, and Public Works Director Paul Lopez

PRESIDING: Mayor Mark Denman

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Mark Denman called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. and announced a quorum of Council was present with six elected officials in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of an ordinance extending the Mayor's previously signed Declaration of Disaster (Emergency Notice) dated the 23rd day of August 2017

City Manager Jason Reynolds noted the original Declaration of Disaster signed by Mayor Denman on August 23rd, 2017 was effective for seven days. Approval of Ordinance 2017-758 would extend the Declaration, until Council determines termination is needed. Additionally, extension would allow the City to maintain eligibility for federal assistance associated with Harvey related costs, including clean up, repair and asset replacement.

The caption of the ordinance reads as follows (first and only reading):

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF DISASTER
DECLARATION AS PROVIDED FOR HEREIN, AND MAKING CERTAIN
FINDINGS OF FACT AND OTHER CONCLUSIONS AS SET OUT HEREIN**

(Said Ordinance is of record in Ordinance Book No. 13 of the City of Nassau Bay, Texas, being Ordinance No. O2017-758.)

It was moved by Councilmember Don Matter, seconded by Councilmember Bob Wartens, to approve the extension of the Declaration of Disaster.

Motion passed 6 – 0.

Approval of an ordinance requiring all contractors providing services related to Hurricane Harvey to register with the City

City Manager Reynolds indicated the ordinance would require contractors to register at City Hall in order to provide any services related to post Hurricane Harvey. Registration would provide an additional protection for citizens, as legitimate contractors would not find issue in providing the proper paperwork to perform services. Councilmembers briefly discussed the process, and Mr. Reynolds noted contractor registration solely as a protective measure against potential contractor fraud in the City.

The caption of the ordinance reads as follows (first and only reading):

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL PROVIDERS OF EMERGENCY SERVICES RELATED TO POST HURRICANE HARVEY (STORM OR FLOODING CONDITIONS) CONSTRUCTION WORK OR ELECTRICAL REPAIRS OR ANY OTHER REPAIRS OR SERVICES TO NASSAU BAY RESIDENCES OR BUSINESSES FOR WHICH A CITY PERMIT IS REQUIRED SHALL FIRST REGISTER WITH THE CITY AT CITY HALL BEFORE CONTACTING CITIZENS OR BUSINESSES TO SOLICIT WORK AND BEFORE COMMENCING WORK AND PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION

(Said Ordinance is of record in Ordinance Book No. 13 of the City of Nassau Bay, Texas, being Ordinance No. O2017-759.)

It was moved by Councilmember Jonathan Amdur, seconded by Councilmember Bob Warters, to approve the ordinance requiring registration of contractors providing services related to post Hurricane Harvey.

Motion passed 6 – 0.

APPOINTMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

Update on the status of the City of Nassau Bay, post Hurricane Harvey

City Manager Reynolds began by noting the major flooding event caused by Hurricane Harvey, which produced an unofficial 39+ inches of rain in the City. Mr. Reynolds provided a brief summary, and subsequently invited each department head to the podium to give a more thorough status update.

Public Works Director Paul Lopez commenced his report by reiterating the safety of the City's water quality, noting the water was never comprised. The City continuously maintained water pressure, but at this time all pumps were working at maximum capacity. Additionally, Mr. Lopez stated the wastewater plant was underwater, and the department was controlling the plant remotely. Brief discussion was held on the plant generator and its operational status.

Councilmember Amdur inquired on the status of the wastewater plant, specifically requesting a timeline for continuation of normal water usage. Mr. Lopez responded by noting the plant's normal capacity rating of 1.3 million gallons of water pumped daily. Currently, during and after

the rain events, the plant is pumping approximately 5.5 million gallons of water daily. Mr. Lopez commented on the large infiltration of water as the cause for service interruption, and expected as Clear Creek recedes, normal services can be resumed.

Chief Kenneth Campbell described the focus for the police department to be public safety and protection of private property. The department has a patrol boat on the water and officers are actively patrolling the City. Chief Campbell noted a city-wide curfew of 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m., with officers allowed discretion for those traveling to work or other emergent needs. Chief Campbell indicated at this time, the City was not seeking additional patrol resources from neighboring agencies, as many local agencies are not positioned for resource sharing.

Chief Tom George stated the Fire Department's emergency activities recently normalized, as the department assisted many individuals needing evacuation during the storm events. Since Friday, August 25th, 2017, the department was staffed with 10 individuals per shift. The department continues to document all activity with data logs and photos, and currently reports 154 homes with water damage.

Assistant City Manager Mary Chambers reported Ameriwaste would provide trash service for Thursday, August 31st, 2017. Service will not include recycle or debris. Staff will provide notice to residents through the Swift911 alert system.

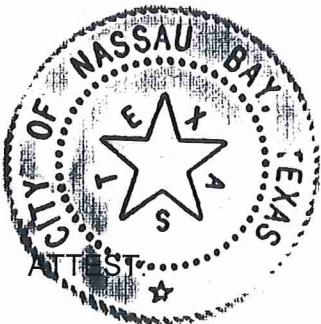
Emergency Management Coordinator Jamie Galloway described the upcoming debris removal operation, which will process heavy trash and debris for residents in the City. Large debris operations across Texas and access to landfills affect the tentative start date of September 11th, 2017.

Closing the meeting, Councilmembers held brief discussions on other Hurricane Harvey topics, including costs incurred to the City, volunteer operations, and hotels in the area.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

Minutes approved as submitted and/or amended this 11th day of September, A.D. 2017.



CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS

Mark A. Denman
Mayor

Sandra V. Ham
City Secretary